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NEWTON STUDENTS SIGN COMMIT TO COMPLETE PLEDGE

DMACC first-year Nursing student Erin Rowe (left) of Colfax signs a Commit to Complete pledge as Newton Campus Phi Theta Kappa member Josi Arguello of Newton observes. The pledge asks students to commit to completing their associate degrees or certificates before leaving community college to transfer or to enter the job market. The PTK National Honor Society supports the Community College Completion Challenge. A total of 67 students, faculty and staff signed the pledge on the DMACC Newton Campus. Statistics show the surest way for anyone to land a job in their chosen field is to finish college and earn a degree or certificate. Students who complete their degrees or certificates will earn an average of \$500,000 more over the course of their careers than their peers who did not complete. In addition, individuals with credentials are less likely to become unemployed than their co-workers who did not earn credentials.



Erin Rowe (left) and Josi Arguello

WELDING STUDENTS PRACTICE USING A FIRE EXTINGUISHER

DMACC Welding student Eric Lendt (right) of Des Moines practices using a fire extinguisher on the DMACC Ankeny Campus under the watchful eye of Ankeny Firefighter Jeff Wells. The Ankeny Fire Department conducted the hands-on demonstration emphasizing the PASS methods of using a fire extinguisher. PASS is an acronym for pull the pin, aim the nozzle, squeeze the trigger and sweep. Wells led the demonstration, which allowed for all Welding students to operate a fire extinguisher.



Eric Lendt

DMACC HONORS STUDENTS ASSIST WITH KNOWLEDGE BOWL

DMACC Honors students (front row, left to right) Emily Barnes (Ankeny), Olivia Sieve (Ankeny), Ashley Mayrose (West), Yesica Mena (Boone), Emily Rinehart (Boone), Brandi Botkin (Boone); second row Mia Pierson (Boone), Phil Porter (Urban) and Elisabeth Rinehart (Boone), as well as Brad Beadle (Ankeny) and Bridgette Crawford (Urban) not shown, assisted with the Area Education Agency 11 High School Knowledge Bowl recently held at Merle Hay Mall. Nearly 200 students, parents and teachers attended the finals of the Knowledge Bowl.



DMACC Honors Students

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Coming Events

Dec. 7

Urban Fall Graduation,
5 p.m.,
Bldg. #1, Room 124-126.

Dec. 7

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

Dec. 10

DMACC Pioneers/Board of
Directors Holiday Luncheon,
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.,
Lakeview Inn, Bldg. #7.

Dec. 10

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

Dec. 11

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

Dec. 13

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

Dec. 24, 2012- Jan. 1, 2013

All campuses closed for
the holidays.

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STEM SEMINAR ON ANKENY CAMPUS

Dr. Jeff Weld, Executive Director of the Governor's STEM Advisory Council, was the featured speaker at a recent STEM Seminar held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Weld said the recent interest in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) is attributable, in part, to job availability, attractive salaries in STEM careers and interest in ever-changing technologies. Weld spoke to nearly 30 Iowa high school students who are considering careers in STEM fields or in elementary education. The presidents of DMACC and Drake University recently signed an agreement creating a STEM Certificate for Elementary Education students who start at DMACC and pursue their four-year degree at Drake University. The Certificate is the first STEM agreement between a four-year institution and a community college in Iowa.



Dr. Jeff Weld

DMACC STUDENTS RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

DMACC Commercial Horticulture students Justin Davis (left) of Knoxville and Alexa Bancks of Jewell each received a \$500 scholarship from the Federated Evening Star Garden Club of Johnston. Every spring, the Garden Club awards an annual scholarship to a second-year DMACC Commercial Horticulture student who is strong academically and is in need of financial support. The Garden Club has awarded scholarships to DMACC students for the past 11 years.



Justin Davis (left) and Alexa Bancks

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING AND TECHNOLOGY CAREER FAIR

DMACC student Max Rosenkrantz (left) of Ankeny visits with Dupont Industrial Biosciences Human Resources Manager Andrea Erickson at an Advanced Manufacturing and Technology Career Fair recently held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Rosenkrantz is enrolled in DMACC's Industrial Electro Mechanical Technology program.



Max Rosenkrantz (left) and Andrea Erickson

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MUSIC AT NOON AT THE URBAN CAMPUS

DMACC Urban Campus student Sharane Calister of Des Moines sings “Amarilli, Mia Bella” during the Music at Noon concert recently held on the DMACC Urban Campus. The students were under the direction of Urban Campus instructor Alayna Perry.



Sharane Calister

FREE SOUP AT ANKENY CAMPUS

DMACC Ankeny Campus Liberal Arts student Jacob Brown (right) of Des Moines receives a free bowl of chili from ICN Specialist Janelle Archer, Alumni Affairs Coordinator Breck Danner and Institutional Effectiveness Executive Director and Assistant to the President Joe DeHart. The Ankeny Campus Student Activities Council sponsored the free chili and potato soup lunch. President Rob Denson also served soup later that morning.



(L to R) Janelle Archer, Breck Danner, Joe DeHart and Jacob Brown

JOB OPENINGS

Cook, Ankeny Campus,
Part-time, student contact days only:
Mon.–Fri.: 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Application Deadline: Dec. 11, 2012

Life Skills Program Specialist, Iowa Correctional Institute for Women in Mitchellville
Application Deadline: Dec. 14, 2012

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



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FOR SALE

Very nice woman's leather parka-type coat.
Size—Small. Too big for my sister, sleeves too short for me.
\$50. If interested, call 515-964-6860.



PIONEERS CONNECTION

Remember the Holiday party is Dec. 10 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please bring your Christmas goodies to Bldg. #7 by 10:30 a.m. Last year, we had over 300 attendees, so we need to bring more than the normal amount of goodies, i.e., two plates of cookies instead of one, etc.

There were several Pioneers who met in November to assemble and deliver food baskets to Boone, Carroll, Urban and Ankeny students. Thank you Pioneers for doing this.

Several other Pioneers have been busy making telephone calls to Des Moines students who have dropped out of high school. There is a potential for \$500 to come to the Pioneers for every student who enrolls in Gateway to College. This is a program where students can enroll in college courses at DMACC and get both high school and college credit. If you would like to be a caller, the program director is Marlana Schnell at 515-697-7736.

Congratulations to the seven DMACC employees who are retiring this December. They include: Lois Chopard, Patricia Holmes, Carol Petersen (Boone), Ewa Pratt (Urban), Michael Waters, Delores Wilson (Newton) and Sandy Macklin. We welcome these new Pioneers and hope to see you all at a future Pioneer's meeting.

Many Pioneers will be leaving for warmer parts of the U.S. soon. Please keep us informed as you travel. Those of us who stay in Iowa would like to hear from you. Send emails to temlsm@q.com and I will get them sent on to the Pioneers.

May all of you Pioneers have a blessed Christmas and a joyous new year and Happy Hanukkah.

Dr. Lyla S. Maynard, President