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After numerous delays and plan changes, the DMACC Boone Campus will officially have student housing available by the Fall 2001 semester.

Despite several attempts in the past decade to bring student housing to the campus, the process has been unsuccessful. However, according to Boone Campus Dean Bill Hitesman, an agreement has been reached with High Development Corporation of Cedar Rapids to begin construction on a set of four buildings east of the college, which will house approximately 158 students, with two of those buildings ready for rental by the upcoming fall semester.

"This is a go," said Dean Hitesman, regarding any chances that more delays could hinder the scheduled opening date. "We are in the final stages of working out details with the [Boone City Council] Planning and Zoning Committee...and we expect a groundbreaking ceremony within the next two to three weeks."

While only half of the total buildings will be ready for rent by fall, the contractors have agreed to finish the other two buildings by the spring 2001 semester. The first two buildings finished will contain twelve four-bedroom apartments and will house approximately 48 students per building. The second set of buildings will be set up as two-bedroom apartments, housing approximately 30 students per building.

The cost of the dwellings has already been set, and according to Hitesman, "we have looked into surrounding area living costs and found these prices to be very reasonable." The four-bedroom apartments will cost $250 a month plus utilities, while the two-bedroom apartments will be available for $350 a month plus utilities. Parking and furnished apartments will also be offered as options, with additional costs attached to each.

Once on-campus living has been established at the Boone campus, several new problems may develop, and Hitesman says that these issues are being addressed. According to Hitesman, issues such as adjusting the food service and gymnasium hours to be more accommodating are high on his priority list. "These buildings are good for the contractors, good for the college, and primarily, good for the students," Hitesman said. "We just need to make some changes and be more accommodating."

Extra-curricular activities are another issue that Hitesman feels will have to change. Some events that are being preliminarily planned include guest speakers and an intramural program. While none of these activities have been formalized, Hitesman indicated that he would most likely set up an individual from the college to coordinate any potential programs.

While the actual building of the on-campus apartments is just beginning, Dean Hitesman is prepared for the challenges. On-campus living will change this school dramatically. The staff and faculty are excited, and we hope the students are excited, too."

If students would like more information regarding on-campus living, they are encouraged to visit the DMACC web site (http://www.dmacc.cc.ia.us), or contact counselor George Silberhorn (gasilberhorn@dmacc.cc.ia.us) with any further questions.

VanMeter leaves DMACC with high hope for future

Karin VanMeter, Boone campus biology instructor, will be leaving DMACC this week to take a position of Director of Geriatrics Research and Education Center at Des Moines University Osteopathic Medical Center.

Her resignation came as a surprise to many of the students and faculty at DMACC, but VanMeter assured her students that they will be well taken care of. With Mary Beth Hanlin covering her day classes, and Lori Slight taking over her 8 a.m. personal community health class, VanMeter feels confident that her students will not lack anything they would have, had she stayed here.

VanMeter still plans to teach her evening class, and she will return to do the final grades at the end of the semester. "It’s just like being sick for two weeks," said VanMeter.
Foot and mouth disease contaminates meat sources

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Foot and mouth disease is a virus that infects undulate (hoofed) animals. It causes sores to be produced both in the mouth and on the hooves. Cattle, sheep, pigs and goats seem more susceptible to this particular virus. The sores cause the animals not to eat, therefore reducing weight and profit for the farmers.

Milk production is also affected plus the fact that the virus is transmitted into the milk. This is how humans get the disease or by contact with the animals. Humans, however, will only get sores in the mouth but will not be harmed in any other way. This particular virus is very contagious. It is transmitted from animal to animal and can also be carried in the air by water molecules. It can also be carried from farm to farm by deer, rats, horses and pigs.

As of April 6, 2001, the United Kingdom had 1,062 cases of the disease. France has reported 2, and Holland, 11 cases. Where or how did it start? According to British officials, the disease started in pigs, which is food feed to pigs and animals. This pigswill contains human food waste from restaurants, school cafeterias, and airline waste. It can also contain bits of dead animals that may carry the virus. This then infects whatever animal consumes the food. Farmers are supposed to heat the food to 100 degrees Centigrade in order to kill any bacteria or harmful virus. This then infects whatever animal consumes the food. Farmers are supposed to heat the food to 100 degrees Centigrade in order to kill any bacteria or harmful virus.

DACC BOONE—Nancy Woods, PTK adviser, treated Connie Colle and her Biology 141 class to a pizza lunch to celebrate Colle’s winning the George O. Bierkoe Distinguished Member Award for outstanding participation and dedication to Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) activities at the local, regional, and international level.

This award was presented to Colle at the International PTK convention, in Denver the last week of March. Colle is the first lowan to receive recognition at the International level.

Woods said, “Boone Campus’ Tau Phi chapter is very proud of Connie, and we wish her the best in the remainder of her tenure as the Iowa Regional President of Phi Theta Kappa!”

DMACC President announces retirement

DMACC—The Board of Directors of Des Moines Area Community College has accepted the retirement request of Dr. Joseph Borgen, president of the college since 1981. The Board approved the request during their regularly scheduled April meeting.

His retirement will be effective September 30, 2001. The Board of Directors will begin its search for his successor immediately.

Borgen told the board that “It has been a pleasure to work with the staff and the Board. DMACC is an excellent institution with a proud heritage and a great future. The support that I have received during my tenure at the college has been substantial, and I greatly appreciate it.”

Doug Shull, chairman of the Board said, “We accepted his request with great regret. He has served the college, central Iowa and the community college movement in the state with great distinction. He has served us well, and we will miss his expertise and sound judgment.”

Shull said that the Board’s intent is to have the national search completed by the first of September. The Board will screen the applicants for interviews and then proceed with a college committee with the results.

Shull has appointed Dave Palmer, assistant to the president, chairman of the college search committee. The college plans to have approximately 15 people on the committee that will represent the institution.

The Board has also appointed Helen Harris as the secretary for the presidential search committee. She also served as the committee’s secretary during the last presidential search in 1981.

Interviews will start at the end of June. Each candidate will be scheduled for a two-day interview period, which will consist of interviews by the college committee and the Board, campus tours, and a public forum for faculty and staff.

The interview committee will have six faculty members, five executive deans, three administrative/professional staff and one support staff member. The committee will advise the board president of its top three candidates.

DMACC was established in 1966 and serves the Des Moines metropolitan area and several surrounding counties. The college has six campuses with over 11,000 credit students and approximately 60,000 noncredit students.
Leadership awards given to DMACC students

“To be a good leader; Listen, have patience and have faith.”

“Try not to say ‘no’ to positive experiences. What starts out as talk, make it happen.”
--Mark Allen

Boone Campus Phi Beta Lambda representatives attend the Leader Luncheon (l to r) Marie Dostal, Kim Miller, Beth Shultz, and PTK advisor, Linda Plueger.

People in line for the baked potato meal provided by the DMACC Ankeny cafeteria are far left, Dan Hilgers, Urban Campus PBL Adviser; far right, Kim Linduska, Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Mark Allen, Voice of Sports on WHO’s Van & Bonnie Show, was the speaker at the Student Leader Recognition Luncheon held in Ankeny.

Urban Campus International Club representatives are as follows: (l to r) Khan Phet, Laos; Carolina Reyes, Colombia; Carlos Navarette, Chile; Jose Martinez, Colombia.

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Great Plains is truly GREAT

Restaurant Review
Matt Rinker
Bear Facts Staff

If you’re ever in Ames and are looking for a place to eat some good homemade pizza give Great Plains a try.

The atmosphere at Great Plains is dark and hip. With ancient logos from companies like Coke, Pepsi, and Cowhide Brand Jeans, Great Plains gives you much to look at while you wait.

The menu is simply laid out on the wall posted by the counter with all that they offer. From thick to thin, original to veggie, Great Plains has crust to fit any occasion.

In order to get the full effect I had to go twice. The first time I ordered a thin crust pizza with sausage and green pepper. The wait for the pizza was about 15 minutes, and when my number was called, I walked up to the counter and grabbed my pie.

It took that first bite, I was in heaven, pizza heaven. Everything down to the sauce was wonderful. The cheese was thick, and they spared no expense on the toppings.

For my second trip I decided I should try the thick crust. Generally I don’t enjoy thick crust but for Great Plains, I thought I’d make an exception. For this trip I ordered the pizza with green peppers and black olives. For the next 15 minutes my stomach was growling with excitement.

When I brought the pizza to my table and took the first bite, I melted from head to toe. The crust was awesome, and to top it all off they have honey for the ends of your crust. Wow! I was impressed.

For a small pizza with pop, you’re looking to pay about $12. The thick crust does cost a little more and the flavored crust even more but trust me, it’s worth it.

For a wonderful experience I give Great Plains a try. You will definitely be back in the near future.

Behind the print

Katie Prescott

Letter to the Editor - Student feels lack of support

To the Editor,

I was fortunate enough to be a small part of the cast of the recently performed DMACC Drama club production Key for Two, directed by Kay Muller.

As it was my first play, I was excited and unsure on what to expect from the crowd. However, one thing I thought would be a certainty was that the DMACC administration would be there to lend their support for our weeks of hard work. Apparently, I was wrong. There were instructors present, one of our registration ladies, even an adjunct instructor came to lend her support, and the science and chemistry departments were well represented (.onerror), but that was all. I was very hurt and surprised that so few cared to see what we had worked so hard on, what so many in the audience said was the funniest play they had ever seen.

I believe it’s wrong for certain things at DMACC to be supported so flagrantly by the administration, and others to be completely ignored. What message does it send to the students that it makes me think that art and the cultural sciences are not considered to be really important. After all, administration also skipped out on the Chinese Dinner celebration, and that was during the school day, right in the building. It makes me think that to be noticed by DMACC administration one must make lots of ticket money at ball games and make the administration look good to the alumni. I played sports all through high school, and I understand the need for collegiate competition, not to mention that college sports are fun to watch and very exciting when the teams are doing well. However, the administration should be equally as involved and supportive of the artistic and cultural events here at DMACC. It is totally unfair and insulting to do otherwise. I don’t want fewer sports, I want more administrative support for the other important things (and there are so, so many) that happen here at DMACC.

I hope that next time there is a special day, a drama presentation, a cultural event, this letter will be remembered and support will be shown to all the facets of our school, not just the few lucky enough to be noticed.

Heather Wargo
Boone Campus
Freshman
On a different note...

An Internet guide for music fanatics

Aaron Ladage  
Bear Facts Staff

If you use the World Wide Web for nothing more than checking your email or the occasional sports score, you’re missing out. With the advent of high-speed Internet connections, your computer can provide some of the most innovative musical content ever imagined, and it’s available whenever you want it. So sit back, crank your computer’s speakers, and get ready to see and hear music like you’ve never imagined.

Rolling Stone Online  
www.rollingstone.com

While some would argue that Rolling Stone magazine has lost its edge, the accompanying Web Site begs to differ.

Although the site is very limited when it comes to actual video or sound, it is a great source for background information on your favorite bands. The search engine for finding a particular artist is very complete and effective, and the unpublished interviews and photos are an excellent companion to the magazine.

FarmClub  
www.farmclub.com

If you want to make a better musical Web Site than FarmClub.com, start making deals with the devil. While the number of bands listed on the site is slightly limited, the quality makes up for the quantity. FarmClub allows you to watch full-length videos, interviews, and live performances. The most original aspect of the site, which will hopefully catch on in other areas of entertainment, is the accompanying television show on the USA network. The web site allows you to interact with the show through polls, “behind the scenes” footage, and online interviews. These features add to the quality of both the television show and the site.

MTV Online  
www.mtv.com

MTV is just like riding a moped—it’s a lot of fun, but you hope no one’s watching. The site is laid out very nicely, and it’s easy to find the band or song that you’re looking for, but the content is lacking. While you can watch almost every video that has ever appeared on MTV, the clips are very short and low in quality. If you’re looking to catch a quick (although fuzzy) glimpse at a video you saw on TV, this site is the place for you. However, if your favorite band isn’t N’Sync, you’re better off at FarmClub.com.

Heavy  
wwwheavy.com

If you think popular music has gone from bad to worse, these guys probably agree—the difference is, you didn’t make a cartoon about it. Heavy.com is not specifically a music site, but it does offer some of the funniest musical parodies and jokes anywhere on the Web. Be sure to check out the VH1 spoof “Behind The Music That Sucks”, a hilarious look at all of those artists you wish would just shut up and stop selling out.

‘Say It Isn’t So’ is a no-go

Scott Anderson  
Bear Facts Staff

For the first time in a while, I left a movie theater disappointed.

‘Say It Isn’t So’ is the newest creation of the Farrelly brothers who made “There’s Something About Mary” and “Dumb and Dumber.” The Farrelly brothers are known for their crude humor and language and this movie definitely has it. The problem is that this movie is very similar to “Something About Mary” except with a second rate cast. The movie starts out like Mary in that a couple falls in love, only to be separated by unfortunate circumstances. Then there is the journey of the man to find his love.

This movie, though, doesn’t have a Ben Stiller or Matt Dillon or Cameron Diaz. I didn’t want to not like the cast of this movie, but these people in my mind are good supporting actors. The movie stars Heather Graham who was great in “Austin Powers 2” and Chris Klein who was good in “American Pie”. I do think these two have a lot of potential to be leading stars, but this film didn’t allow them to be successful.

The one bright spot was Orlando Jones who is a rising star, and his performance saved me from walking out on this movie.

This is a Farrelly brothers’ movie, so if you like gross and crude humor, you will probably like it, but it wasn’t enough for me. I give it one star out of five, and would say only go see it if you are desperate for something to do.

China Year Horoscopes

Are you a rat, a dog, or a sheep? Find out with the Chinese Zodiac

Compiled by Sadie Heinbaugh  
From “The Handbook of Chinese Horoscopes”  
by Theodora Lan

I AM THE RAT.

I am the self-proclaimed acquisitor. I am a link yet I function as a complete unit. I aim at encompassing heights and strike my target. Sure and steady. Life is one joyous journey for me. Each search must end with a new quest. I am progress, exploration and insight. I am the word of activity.

I AM THE OX.

I am the stabilizing force that perpetuates the cycle of life. I stand immobile against the test of adversity, Resolute and unimpeachable. I seek to serve integrity, To bear the burdens of righteousness. I abide by the laws of nature-Patiently pushing the wheel of Fate.

Thus, I shall weave my destiny.

I AM THE TIGER.

I am the delightful Paradox. All the world is my stage. I set new trails ablove; I seek the unattainable, And try the untired. I dance to life’s music In gay abandon. Come with me on my carousel rides. See the myriad of colors, The flickering lights. All hall me the unparalleled performer.

I AM THE RABBIT.

I am in tune with the Pulse of the universe. In my love and solitude I hear the melodies of the soul. I float above commonplace Dissent and decay. I subdue by my ability to conform. I color my word In delicate pastel hues. I energize harmony and inner peace.

I AM THE DRAGON.

I am an unquenchable fire, The center of all energy, The stout heroic heart. I am truth and light, I hold power and glory in my sway. My presence disperses dark clouds. I have been chosen To hum the Fates.

I AM THE SNAIL.

I am the wisdom of the ages. I hold the key to the mysteries of life.

I AM THE ROOSTER.

I hold the key to the mysteries of life. To tame the Fates. My presence disperses dark clouds. My heart’s filled with potent magic That could cast a hundred spells. I am put together For mine own pleasure.

I AM THE HORSE.

I am the seasoned traveler. The pulse of the universe. I subdue by my ability to conform. I seek the unattainable, In delicate pastel hues. Casting my seeds on fertile ground I nurture them with constancy and purpose. My sights are fixed. My gaze unchanging. Unyielding, inexorable and deep I advance with steady, unshackled gait, The solid earth beneath me.

I AM THE TIGER.

I am the kaleidoscope of the mind. I am the exacting taskmaster. All things will be restored to their rightful place.

I AM THE ROOSTER.

I am the protector of Justice; Equality—my sole friend. My vision never blunted by cowardice, My soul never chained. Life without honor Is life in vain. I AM THE ROOSTER.

I am the ever-watchful administrator. I seek perfect order in my world. I represent unfailing dedication. I AM THE DRAGON.

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I am on hand To herald in the day, And to announce its exit. I thrive by clockwork and precision. In my unending quest for perfection All things will be restored to their rightful place. I am the exacting taskmaster. I seek perfect order in my world. I represent unfailing dedication.

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DMACC Boone Campus Drama Department

‘Key For Two’ unlocks British comedy

Karol King
Bear Facts Staff

Friday, April 6 and Saturday, April 7, the DMACC Boone Campus Drama Department presented the British comedy “Key For Two,” by John Chapman and Dave Freeman. The play was directed by Kay Mueller, Boone Campus speech and drama director.

The play started out a little slow if you didn’t know British humor, but as it developed, the audience understood the play and it became funny.

The comedy takes place in Brighton, England, in Harriet’s living room and bedroom. It’s about a mistress (Harriet), who has two lovers (Gordon and Alec), and she tries to keep them secretly apart. They both are married, and even though the economic situation is not very good, they have time for luxuries, like a mistress.

The play develops with humorous encounters as Harriet works her way out of trouble, when both of her lovers come to the house at the same time. At the end, she luckily gets away with her crookedness and everything works out the way she wanted.

Four DMACC students performed in this comedy: Sarah Baker (sophomore) played a supporting role as Anne to help Harriet keep the lovers apart. Alfred Taylor (freshman) as Richard was pretty convincing as a drunken husband. Heather Wargo (freshman) as Magda was the gullible wife. Katie Prescott (sophomore) as Mildred, even though skeptical, in the end believed the story her husband had told her.

Three other well-known actors in the DMACC theatre also performed in this comedy: Gregory Hager, (president of the Boone Community Theatre and secretary of the Iowa Association of Community theaters) as Gordon was funny in his role as one of the lovers. Olivia Hoff, known actress at DMACC, as Harriet the mistress, convinced the audience that her character could handle this situation. Tim Rose, another well-known actor, played Alec as a tough character.

The set was a living room and bedroom separated with a door. Both were visible at all times and looked like Harriet’s house would have looked.

It was worth the time to see and support these students performing, imitating British accents.

If you’ve never been to a DMACC play, the next play will be performed during the fall semester. You can audition for the play or work on the production without being enrolled in drama classes.

All photos by Michele Thamke
Boone Campus music students present program

Karol King
Bear Facts Staff

On Sunday, April 8, the DMACC Boone Campus Music Department presented a Spring Musical Program, performed by thirteen DMACC students: Kim Beck, Lindsay Saunders, Laurie Eshelman, Christine Glenn, Cory Harstad, David Morris, Bruce McFarlane, Fabiola Pastorino, Fardos Shaeikh, Cory Shearer, True Vang, Matt Rinker, and Jennifer Tjernagel.

These students belong to the introduction to piano/keyboard class of Marilee Crawley-Mertins. Some of these students have been studying music for only twelve weeks. They played well-known songs such as “Everything I Do, I Do It For You,” “Love Theme from Romeo and Juliet,” “Imagine” by John Lennon, among others.

The students presented a basic skill demonstration, showing the techniques they had learned in class this semester. Jennifer Tjernagel performed eight pieces as part of her independent study piano project.

The program also included performances by students from grades 1-12. Among these was Andrew McNamara, the state winner of a M.T.N.A. High School Composition Contest.

After the program Crawley-Mertins held a small reception to thank all participants and the audience for their support for the performers.
Computer woes put students on edge

Jack Wilson
Bear Facts Staff

It’s Monday morning, and you have to print out a paper you wrote just five hours ago. Hunched over a DMACC computer, you groggily type in your password. Waiting anxiously you glance at the clock. Though bleary eyed, you make out that only seven minutes remain until deadline. You look back at the computer only to see a password prompt for the fourth time since yesterday.

Minutes pass, and you’re still looking for only the third time since yesterday. Asking to change your password when you log into the computer only to see a password prompt again. Waiting anxiously you glance at the computer, you type in your password. Though bleary eyed, you feel as if you are decoding the password.

If this sounds familiar to you, then perhaps you are one of the many DMACC students affected by log in woes. To get the scoop, the DMACC Bear Facts sent their top investigative reporter (me) into the trenches to interview computer administrator Ron Erickson.

Ron Erickson, Boone DMACC computer administrator

Mr. Erickson is the computer network administrator here at Boone DMACC and is personally responsible for running our network of 245 Windows NT computers on a Novell network that shares 18 printers. If this sounds confusing, just think of him as the guy who runs the computers. DMACC campuses world-wide use a network called Wide Area, which interconnects all campuses through use of wide-network software.

As for the passwords needing to be changed, well, this is just a standard security measure. Most jobs you’ll have in the real world will require you to do this, and that’s why according to Erickson, “Ankeny instituted the mandatory password change as a security measure.”

Lastly, I asked if Ankeny had any plans to remedy the painfully slow morning log-ins, to which he replied “There’s always something in the works.” So fear not, DMACC students, with efforts underway soon we will fear no seven minutes from deadline morning log-in.

PC choices depend on needs

Robert Fox
Contributing Writer

Choosing a personal computer can be a very frustrating process. Should I buy a name brand, what “toys” do I need with the computer, and a ton of other choices. When selecting a computer you should look for one that fits into your needs. Most of us are on a budget in one form or another, at least I know I am, so price is probably going to be your number one priority.

After deciding how much you are willing to spend you should decide on a few of the main options you want to have on your machine, CD burner, DVD-Rom drive, or any other options that you can think of. I myself would opt for the CD burner and go for some other goodies such as a large hard drive and a lot of RAM. (For those of you that are not computer savvy, I will tackle those terms in a later issue.)

As for the actual machine itself, all three major manufactures; Dell, Compaq and Gateway, offer great pre-built or “recommended” systems on their respective websites but they also let you customize yourself up to a certain extent, which makes it really nice to get all the things that you want and none of the things you don’t, which tends to help with the final cost. For most of us, the “recommended” systems will do just fine with minor adjustments for possibly a bigger hard drive or a bigger monitor.

Of the major manufactures, I would suggest Dell. I choose Dell because they offer the best warranty in the industry right now, they offer great tech support for that warranty, lower prices, and they also tend to include some great extra things such as FREE shipping or a FREE printer.

For those of you that don’t want to give your money to those giant companies that you might never see the benefits of, there is the local computer store that will custom build you a computer down the most specific detail. This, unfortunately, tends to drive up the price. Another thing that you might have to worry about with the local shop is, will they be around in a few year to service the product that they sold you. As with a major name brand you more than likely wont have that problem.

When buying a computer you should weigh out all of your options, major brand, local store, what goodies do I need and of course price, because when it comes down to it, it is your cold hard cash that you are spending on it.
Spring fashion takes a step back in time

Sadie M. Heimbaugh
Bear Facts Staff

Car windows are rolling down, the grass is turning green and jackets being worn instead of coats. All these signs reinforce that winter can’t last forever and spring has sprung!

Spring is a time of new beginnings, and the great outdoors isn’t the only one anticipating the change. Say good-bye to sweaters and jeans because this spring’s look is going to be filled with warm colors and a flash-back to a slightly altered ‘80’s.

Not only do women get to enjoy the newest fashions this year, but men get to join in on the fun as well. Among the qualities that make a fresh season of fashion one of the most important is color. Some of the many colors to love this spring are fusia, coral, turquoise, white, and metallic.

**Women’s fashion**

Women can expect to see the “pretty in pink” look once again; however, the shade has altered since previous years. It won’t be the pastel pink of last spring, instead it will be a vibrant, confident pink that will grace the runways, magazines, and store windows.

Women have much to anticipate in the coming months. Females can expect to see floral embroidery on everything from pants, skirts and blouses to shoes, purses and headwear. Crop pants and Capri’s will be seen in almost every magazine and store window. Designers have added a little twist to last years look—shoppers will be seeing a flare or boot cut on this season’s design. Short women may be disappointed to find that the chunks and high heels are out this season. Flip flops are going to make a big splash along with festive multi-colored fabric slide in’s, cris-cross strap sandals, toe ring sandals, and any shoes with beads, mirrors, checkerboards, or dots.

**Men’s fashion**

For the men the country club look is once again on the rise. Solids are back this season and will be worn casually with a short-sleeved polo. Oxfords rolled up the forearm and tucked in only in the front will make a fresh new impression on men of the 21st century.

Footwear for the males will be seen in flip-flops and deck shoes. Have no fear, though, because tennis shoes without socks have made it back for yet another season. Sunglasses are going to be a must this spring; however, they’ll preferably be worn around the neck by a flogger.

This spring’s fashions hold much to look forward to since designers have taken the liberty of reworking some of the most prominent trends of the past. The men will be taking on a look that is fresh and new. Women’s fashion is going to be celebrating past fashions that will give women an attitude, independence and sense of freedom that hasn’t been seen in years.

DMACC Ankeny Campus fashion majors accept leadership awards (l to r) Jinny Krogman, Natasha Morris, Darrin Kubik, M’Leigh Marsh and Brooke Phillips.

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Professor divides time between ISU, DMACC

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Hard work, determination, and a whole lot of faith rolled into a single human being can mount up to be an intriguing person. Dr. William C. Rice, adjunct psychology instructor for DMACC on the Boone Campus, is composed of all of these qualities and then some.

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Athletics fit in education

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Earlier in the semester I wrote an article telling people to give the XFL a chance. I then proceeded to watch only one game after that. I made a mistake and am man enough to own up to it.

One of the reasons I said you should watch is because of the Iowa connections. Well the players in the XFL with Iowa connections haven’t done anything.

The bad thing about the XFL is the time of its season. At first I thought I would still be interested in watching football in February, but I found myself sick of it. When the NFL is over it is all about basketball from high school to college, and the NBA.

NBC is rumored to drop the XFL from its programming schedule, and the XFL is lucky that NBC is broadcasting the rest of this season. NBC could replace the XFL with anything else and get twice the ratings that the XFL is getting them.

Vince McMahon is a marketing genius at most everything he touches, but he needs to acknowledge that he failed in this particular endeavor, and stick to wrestling, where he now owns all of the major wrestling organizations.

DMACC baseball opens with doubleheader sweep

Scott Anderson  
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After a tough spring trip, the DMACC Bears baseball team played well in the last week.

The Bears played Ellsworth in Boone in a game that was scheduled to be away. These were the Bears first two games at home this season. They opened with a doubleheader sweep. They won the first game 8-4 and the second game 6-3.

The Bears again had an away game that changed to a home game when they took on Buena Vista and pounded them 18-1.

The Bears also had their doubleheader against Iowa Central changed to a home game, but the Bears came out on the short end as they lost the doubleheader 12-1 and 7-2.

The Bears then traveled to Kirkwood for a doubleheader and swept the Eagles by scores of 6-4 and 5-4.

The team played Morningside and won to improve their record to 6-2 since the spring trip.

Baseball loss at ISU may affect DMACC baseball

Some local news broke last week that could affect the DMACC baseball program as Iowa State University cut the baseball program along with men’s swimming and diving programs.

“I don’t think it [cutting baseball] will have that much of an effect on the program here at DMACC, but it eliminates a choice for our players,” said DMACC Baseball Coach John Smith. “I think it’s a bad thing that a major university can’t support a baseball program.”

Bill Alley  
Contributing Writer

It is curious that athletics, which have such a significant impact upon youngsters, education, the economy, the government, the military – even on international relations – have been so little studied and so poorly understood. What I shall say is based on the assumption that, although we have little detailed information, athletics are a potent tool for education, if properly used.

I suggest that school athletics, if directed by coaches of resolute integrity dedicated to the optimum development of their charges as individuals, can be an exceedingly potent tool for developing desirable behavior patterns in the youngsters who participate. Moreover, the spectators at athletic contests can be favorably influenced as well. It took me a long time as a student and teacher to learn the true meaning of the cliché we heard in our college methods class: that children learn by doing. I am convinced that many teachers and parents do not fully comprehend its truth today, nor do they understand its many implications. To illustrate its meaning, permit me an oversimplification. I’m well aware that a host of factors combine to influence the behavior patterns and personalities of youngsters and that our well-nigh impossible to establish a cause-and-effect relationship with any single factor, or group of factors, for that matter. The point is that athletics are one of the factors operating in the schools, and are probably much more potent in influencing the youngsters than many of us realize.

All of us will accept the statement that a youngster can’t learn to swim by reading or listening to a lecture about swimming or by watching someone demonstrate how to swim. All of these may help, but one can’t actually learn to swim without getting into the water and trying again and again. As they make these repeated efforts, somehow the responses that contribute to success in swimming must be reinforced and those responses that interfere with success must be deleted. Capable teachers skilled in analyzing body movements in swimming can be quite helpful. Of course, it’s possible for a youngster to learn to swim by pure trial and error without any outside help whatsoever. In doing so, however, there is a good possibility they will form some habits that actually interfere with efficient swimming, and they may never become a capable and safe swimmer. There’s also the possibility that they may nearly drown and, as a consequence, may acquire such a fear of the water that they never learn to swim.

To make repeated efforts and to have correct or desirable responses reinforced while incorrect or undesirable responses are deleted are basic conditions of learning that apply equally to swimming and to learning the multiplication tables. It seems reasonable to me then, that the same principles apply to learning a host of behavioral skills that will enable youngsters to work and play effectively with others and, in time, function as effective members of society. These behavioral skills range from such simple things as saying “thank you” in response to some deference or favor or waiting patiently in line to take one’s turn, to the very complex matrix of responses that enables one to give their life for a loved one or for their country. Humans were not born with these skills, with these ways of behaving; to the contrary, we enter the world completely helpless and totally ignorant. From day one we must slowly and some times painfully learn literally thousands of specific skills of behavior that will enable us to live happily and usefully with others of our kind. These skills, too, we can learn only by practicing them again and again, and by receiving satisfaction and fulfillment from making correct or desirable responses.

I think many teachers and parents have forgotten that simple fact.

A person cannot actually learn to be honest unless they practice honesty. They cannot learn to lead unless they practice in leading others. They can’t learn to do their part in a cooperative enterprise unless they are placed in a situation in which cooperation is possible. They can’t learn to respect the rights of others and to be tolerant of their shortcomings or differences from themselves unless they practice tolerance and respect for others.

In the hands of a coach dedicated to fostering the full development of the youngsters with whom they work, school athletics provide abundant opportunities for youngsters to practice and thus to learn the skills of successful social behavior. In the variety of situations that arise during the arduous practice sessions, and in the emotionally charged atmosphere of athletic contests, the players must repeatedly react to their own capabilities and to the behavior of those around them. These repeated reactions and the accompanying psychological conditioning inevitable result in changes in players, mental as well as physical. To put it another way, learning inevitably takes place. Reinforcement for the learning that takes place is provided by the recognition, by the prestige, and by the peer status that accompany or follow the performance.

The characteristics that make athletics so potent and effective in developing behavior patterns that a major element in society approves them make them equally effective and potent in developing undesirable ways of behaving. One can’t provide an opportunity for a person to practice honesty without also providing an opportunity for them to be dishonest. One can’t place them in a situation where they may cooperate with others without also placing them in a position where they might fail to cooperate.

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They cannot learn to overcome fear unless they are exposed to a situation in which they may learn to be a coward. What people learn through athletics depends in great measure on how artfully and how skillfully the coach utilizes athletics for the optimum development of each individual — mentally, physically and psychologically.

Chalmer Hixon, formerly a professor of physical education at Ohio State University, made an interesting observation as president of the National College Physical Education Association for men when, years ago, he gave his presidential address in Portland, Oregon. He mentioned the student riots that occurred on the Ohio State campus in May of that year, forcing the university to close, he said: “During the riots on the campus I was disturbed by the feeling that I’d been there before. It wasn’t long until I began to relate it to my years of officiating and college athletics. Oh, I hadn’t suffered the vilification of “pig” and “fuzz”, but some how “hornet” and “blind robber” which I had heard as an official, had been accompanied by the same hateful expressions of face and voice...and could it be, God forbid, that we help teach or at least reinforce the attitudes and conduct so evident in the riot.”

Some readers will say, “Aw come on, Alley, stop your dreaming. The things kids learn on playing fields don’t carry over and function in real life situations. Behavior is specific to a given situation.” Possibly that’s true. But before you jump to conclusions, consider a few questions: Where did you acquire whatever concepts you may have about fair play in any situation — in business, with your girlfriend, with your wife, or wherever? Where did the concept “the race to the moon” come from? Why a race? What is the true source of the phrase, “a team of physicians”? Why a team? Where do you suppose the phrase “game plan”, heard with such distressing frequency in the White House, originate? Why a game plan, for heaven’s sake? I’m convinced that habits developed on the playgrounds and in gymnasium influence how we think, feel and act far more than we realize.

Earlier, I emphasized the impact of participation in interscholastic athletics on youngsters who participate. Unquestionably, under the leadership of a wise and sensitive coach, such participation can be an extremely valuable and fulfilling experience. A person can experience the feeling of vigor and physical exuberance enjoyed only by those who are physically fit. They can learn to work cooperatively as a member of a group striving for a common goal. They can learn that they must discipline themselves to meet their responsibilities if the group is to achieve success. They can learn the value of group loyalty and group morale. They can gain recognition, prestige, peer acceptance, and peer approval — all of which contribute to their self-confidence and help them to create a favorable self-image.

In summary, an athletic program under the direction of an intelligent coach who is sensitive to the capabilities and needs of youngsters can be a potent educational influence on athletes and spectators alike. Des Moines Area Community College is very fortunate to have the quality athletic program that exists at the Boone Campus.

2001 Baseball schedule

Thursday, April 12.................................Carroll.................................Mt. Marty.................................2 p.m.
Saturday, April 14..............................Boone.................................Indian Hills..............................1 p.m.
Sunday, April 15..............................Boone.................................Indian Hills..............................12 p.m.
Tuesday, April 17..............................Boone.................................Kirkwood.............................3 p.m.
Friday, April 20..............................Boone.................................Simpson.................................2 p.m.
Saturday, April 21..............................Away.................................Ft. Dodge.............................1
What is your best pick-up line?

Michael Williams
“What’s your name, age, got a job, kids - can I have your number?”

Kelly Dutry
“You look thirsty-- can I buy you a beer?”

Jamal Jackson
“You’re like a parking meter- - you got fine written all over you.”

Heather Wargo
“I forgot my phone number-- can I have yours?”

VanMeter to leave DMACC

In her new position at Des Moines University she’ll be working on building an outreach base, which she needs to start right away. That’s why she is leaving before the end of the semester.

When the ad in the newspaper appeared to VanMeter she knew she had to apply for the job. For the past two and a half to three years’ this has been something that she’s truly wanted to do. “There is a lot of lack in education resource in outlying areas. If it doesn’t get to people who need it, it is worthless” said VanMeter. “I’m hoping to really make a difference in taking care of the elderly population in Iowa and giving service to especially to the rural population” she continued.

Since 1988, VanMeter has been with DMACC as a teacher. The first two years were as a part-time teacher, spending her last ten years as a full time teacher at the Boone campus. VanMeter said there is no bad blood between her and DMACC. Although there were some problems early in the year, they were smoothed out after Christmas. Now she eventually hopes to work with DMACC with the new outreach program she’ll be conducting.

As for the future of VanMeter, she plans to teach again and give lectures. Although she doesn’t want the heavy class load she has now. She did say her most memorable moments at DMACC were…when she was “Making a difference in students lives.”

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