DMACC Coaches Interviewed At Iowa State Fair

DMACC Softball Head Coach Bob Ligouri (center) is interviewed by Andy Garman (left) and Larry Cotlar of 1700 The Champ radio station during a live remote in the DMACC booth in the Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fair. The DMACC coaches and Athletic Director Orv Salmon were interviewed during the two-hour live radio show.

DMACC Bear At The Iowa State Fair

The DMACC Bear found a new friend in thee-year-old Kamilah Foutch of Des Moines during a stop at the DMACC Booth in the Varied Industries Building at the Iowa State Fair.

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COURT REPORTERS AT THE IOWA STATE FAIR

Bobbi Jo van Deusen, Secretary of the Iowa Court Reporters Association and Certified Court Reporter, visits with fair goers about careers in this growing field. She demonstrated techniques and allowed visitors to the DMACC booth at the Iowa State Fair a chance to type on a stenograph machine. As of early 2014, the average salary for court reporters in Iowa was $48,000. According to the National Court Reporters Association, annual pay can top $100,000, prompting *U.S. News & World Report* to call court reporting a “Top 50 Career” nationwide.

PRESIDENT DENSON SHOWS STEER AT IOWA STATE FAIR

DMACC President Rod Denson leads “BirthMark” in the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion at the 2014 Governor’s Charity Steer Show at the Iowa State Fair as “BirthMark” owner Garrett Longnecker of Ames also appears in the ring. “BirthMark” was the Reserve Champion Market Animal at the Story County Fair in July. He weighed in at 1,306 pounds for the Governor’s Show and placed in the top five overall within the show competition. Thanks to generous donations from DMACC employees and its affiliates, alongside the diligent fundraising efforts from the Longnecker Family, the steer sold for an astounding $25,750. According to the Iowa Beef Industry Council, that is the third-highest amount among the high-selling Governor’s Charity Steer’s 32-year history. The money generated from the sale goes to the Ronald McDonald Houses of Iowa.

WOOD CARVING AT THE IOWA STATE FAIR

DMACC Mechanical/Electrical Technician Bob Frisk demonstrates his wood carving talents at the Iowa State Fair. Frisk uses cottonwood tree bark to carve whimsical houses, some of which take more than 200 hours to complete.
DMACC URBAN CAMPUS TAKES SECOND PLACE AT OUTHOUSE RACES

The DMACC Urban Campus team of Jay Tiefenthaler (left to right), Keith Wersinger, Melody Riley and Matt Walsh capture a second-place overall finish in the annual outhouse races held on the Grand Concourse of the Iowa State Fair.

Melody Riley searches for the lone corn cob in the tub filled with similar-sized vegetables such as cucumbers, carrots and zucchini.

For the exciting finish of the DMACC Urban Campus first-round win, click on the link.

NEWTON CAMPUS HOSTS EMPLOYERS & EDUCATORS PARTNERSHIP LUNCH

DMACC President Rob Denson talked about addressing the skills gap at an Employers & Educators Partnership Luncheon recently held on the DMACC Newton Campus. The event was sponsored by DMACC Business Resources, the Newton Development Corporation and the Jasper County School Districts.
CONSTRUCTION ON THE LOOP ROAD ON THE ANKENY CAMPUS

Construction crews pour concrete on the roadway loop around the Ankeny campus connecting Lake View Drive with Paul J. Lowery Lane. This will give visitors entering from the south direct access to the buildings on the east side of campus without driving completely around campus.

JOB OPENINGS

Library Assistant Acquisitions/Circulation
Ankeny Campus (Part-time position)
Mon.-Thur.: 12:30 to 9 p.m., Fri.: 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
(Student Contact Days)
Application Deadline: Aug. 25, 2014

Custodian
Urban Campus
Application Deadline: Aug. 26, 2014

Student Accounts Specialist,
Center for Career & Professional Development
(Southridge, Des Moines)
Application Deadline: Aug. 26, 2014

Student Accounts Specialist,
Academic Advisor, Urban Campus
Application Date: Aug. 31, 2014

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

AUGUST MEETING: On Thursday, August 14, we were privileged to view the exciting new technology of “drones.” Duane Vierling of the Modelaires presented and demonstrated his drone models. The field of this technology is wide open as they find more widespread use for them in every walk of life. You can learn more by contacting Duane at Christian Photo in Des Moines. Thanks again to Carolyn & Tom Hildreth for hosting this meeting.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: Thursday, September 4, 4:30 p.m. ANNUAL PIONEER KICK-OFF

The Annual Pioneer “Kick-Off” is the most highly attended meeting of the year. Please plan to join us as we celebrate the past year and prepare for 2015 & the 50th Celebration. Tara Connolly will update us on The Foundation and President Rob Denson will give us the latest news on DMACC. Carroll Bennett will fill us in on plans for the 50th.

4:30 p.m. FFA Enrichment Center • Ankeny Campus
Reservations: E-MAIL PIONEERS@DMACC.EDU
OR
CALL 964-6868 by Friday, August 29
Catered by Hickory Park • guests welcome
Please bring non-perishable food for Pamela’s Pantry
   The Cupboards are bare

Kick-Off program
4:30 Social time
5:00 Group Photo
5:15 Dinner
6:00 Welcome
6:10 Foundation update
6:20 DMACC update
6:45 50th plans
7:00 Social time

MANY THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO STEPPED UP FOR THE PIONEERS OF DMACC

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR RESPONSE TO THE PIONEER REQUEST FOR SCHOLARSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS
Last year we brought in $5,010 from our annual request and this year, so far, we have received $5,280, and contributions are still coming in.

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