DMACC Urban Campus student Jerryetta Wehyee of Des Moines fills her plate with various foods from different countries at the Multicultural Festival held recently at DMACC Urban Campus. Wehyee is originally from Liberia.

Asma Gesalla originally from Sudan; Naomie Lemeuble, formerly from Haiti; and Chen Chen Hartono, originally from Indonesia, pose for a photo at the DMACC Urban Campus Multicultural Festival. Gesalla now lives in Des Moines while Lemeuble and Hartono reside in Ankeny.

Alicia Garcia, originally from Spain; Baraah Alturfee and Shemaa Albyati, both originally from Iraq take a moment away from serving ethnic food to pose for a quick photo in clothing from their native countries.
MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL AT THE URBAN CAMPUS (CONT.)

DMACC Urban Campus students Kristina Zimin and Anahita Vosoughian, both now living in Urbandale, pose at the multicultural festival. Zimin is from Azerbaijan and Vosoughian from Iran.

EASTER EGG HUNT AT WEST CAMPUS

Hundreds of kids search for Easter eggs on the DMACC West Campus front lawn in the annual Easter Egg hunt co-sponsored with the West Des Moines Firefighters Association.

Gorstina Bargblor of Des Moines brought her one-year old daughter, Vivian Turner, to the Multicultural Festival at the Urban Campus. Bargblor is originally from Liberia.

DMACC West Campus Easter Egg Hunt
EASTER EGG HUNT AT WEST CAMPUS (CONTINUED)

Two-and-a-half-year old Ruby Kirkman of Clive shows off her bunny ears at the annual DMACC West Campus Easter Egg hunt. Ruby was with her mom, Kelli Kirkman.

GENTLEMEN BOOTLEGGERS AUTHOR SPEAKS AT CARROLL CAMPUS

Bryce Bauer, author of *Gentlemen Bootleggers: The True Story of Templeton Rye, Prohibition and a Small Town in Cahoots*, spoke on the DMACC Carroll Campus as part of the Iowa Studies Center and Dorothy Schwieder Talks Series. Bauer is also the co-writer and co-producer of the documentary, "Whiskey Cookers". Bauer spoke about the prohibition movement in Carroll County in the 1920s, which was of particular interest to the roughly 60 DMACC Carroll Campus students and community members who attended the free hour-long presentation.
GENTLEMEN BOOTLEGGERS AUTHOR SPEAKS AT CARROLL CAMPUS (CONT)

Dave Nieland (left) of Breda shows a newspaper clipping to Bauer following Bauer’s presentation on the DMACC Carroll Campus. Bauer grew up in Audubon. Bauer also spoke on the DMACC Ankeny Campus.

GENTLEMEN BOOTLEGGERS AUTHOR SPEAKS AT CARROLL CAMPUS

CELEBRATION OF THE LITERARY ARTS

Dr. Grant Tracey

University of Northern Iowa Creative Writing Coordinator and short story author Dr. Grant Tracey reads from one of his short stories during DMACC’s 13th annual Celebration of the Literary Arts, which was held April 6-8 with classroom visits to all six DMACC campuses by area writers and literary instructors.

Dr. Kyle McCord

Poet Dr. Kyle McCord reads “Panda Party” from one of his five books of poetry at the Celebration of Literary Arts Festival on the Ankeny Campus.
CELEBRATION OF THE LITERARY ARTS (CONT)

Poet and Emmy nominee Jon Goode also read from his works on the Ankeny Campus.

Sierra Nevada College Professor and novelist Rebecca Makkai read her short story, “Good Saint Anthony Come Around” as part of the Celebration of Literary Arts Festival at the Urban Campus.

Dr. Roger Reeves, poet and Assistant Professor of Poetry at the University of Illinois, reads his poem, “The Mayor of Money,” at the DMACC Urban Campus.

Bret Anthony Johnston, author of the best-selling novel, Remember Me Like This, reads from one of his works at the DMACC Boone Campus.
CELEBRATION OF THE LITERARY ARTS (CONT)

Poet Rebecca Hazelton reads her poem, “Those Horses,” to the students, faculty and staff who came to the Celebration of Literary Arts event on the Boone Campus. Other writers read their works at the Carroll, Newton and West Campuses.

DISCOVER EDUCATION DAY AT DMACC

Jane Schmidt, Iowa’s 2014 Teacher of the Year, delivers the keynote address at the Discover Education Day event on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Schmidt is a middle school teacher in Maquoketa. She told a group of students interested in becoming teachers that learning is a shared journey of discoveries.

Steve Arneson, a Counselor at Parkview Middle School in Ankeny; Jane Wilson, an English Language Learner Teacher at Rolling Green Elementary School in Urbandale; Kim Adams, a Family and Consumer Science Teacher at Ankeny High School and Chris Douglas, a Fifth Grade Teacher at Sawyer Elementary School in Ames, take part in a panel discussion at the Discover Education Day event. A similar panel of area administrators spoke at the half-day event held at the FFA Enrichment Center on the DMACC Ankeny Campus.
JOB OPENINGS

English/History Instructor, Carroll Campus, 9 month-per-year position

Application Deadline: April 19, 2015. If interested in the above position, please visit the DMACC website at http://jobs.dmacc.edu

PIONEERS CONNECTION

APRIL MEETING

Our April 9 meeting was well-attended and Ruth Wagner gave us a lot of important information on Alzheimer’s and how to prepare for the challenges of aging facing us all. She and Dale have been in most of the stages since he was first misdiagnosed about five years ago. Dale is now residing at Vintage Hills Prairie Trail in Ankeny and doing as well as can be expected.

Dave Palmer briefed us on current legislative affairs affecting Community Colleges. It was a very beneficial meeting for everyone in attendance.

Carroll Bennett made a brief presentation on the plans for celebrating our DMACC 50th Anniversary starting at the Fall Kick-Off in September of this year. There will be lots of fun events for Pioneers who make up the most important part of the DMACC 50th, so stay tuned for more information.

MAY MEETING (Note important location change)

On Thursday, May 14 at 11:30 a.m. in the FFA building - rooms 108 & 109 Roslea Johnson, retired DMACC Professor, will be giving us a presentation on the latest of her four trips to China. Directors Meeting at 10 a.m.

In order to help us accurately plan, please make your reservation by 4 p.m. on Mon., May 11 by calling 964-6868 or emailing pioneers@dmacc.edu. No reservations will be accepted after that time.

Please bring non-perishable donations for Pamela’s Pantry.

ASK ME

On May 27 & 28, the Pioneers will once again be assisting students in high traffic buildings on the Ankeny campus. Please contact Mike Perry at 238-8279 if you are able to participate.

Thanks.

NEW FACEBOOK PAGE

We now have a page on Facebook just for the DMACC Pioneers. It’s a place where you can share stories, photos and news of past and present events relating to our Pioneer group. To join, just go to your Facebook location and search for DMACC Pioneers. Hoping to see you there.

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The Red Red Robins are Hop Hop Hopping!

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