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SPRING FEST ON THE ANKENY CAMPUS

DMACC first-year Liberal Arts student Sarah Coop of Urbandale has her caricature drawn by Stephanie Ong at an Ankeny Campus Spring Fest. The event featured fun games, and free sandwiches and chips for all students, faculty and staff.

LEMONADE STAND AND BAKE SALE

Two-year old Anya Kalianov, daughter of Karen and Bill Kalianov of West Des Moines, and three-year old Abigail Jones, daughter of Amie Jones of Des Moines, serve lemonade at the DMACC Child Development Center lemonade stand and bake sale outside Bldg. #9 on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Professor Sandy Macklin assists with the sale.

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Upcoming Events

May 6
Ankeny, Newton, Urban, West Commencement Ceremony, 7 p.m., Wells Fargo Arena

May 8
Boone Campus Commencement Ceremony, 10 a.m., Boone Campus Gym

May 11
DMACC Board of Directors meeting, 4 p.m., Carroll Campus

May 11
Carroll Campus Commencement, 6:30 p.m. Carroll Senior High School

May 25
Memorial Day Holiday, all campuses closed

PENNY PARADE

Three-year old Stormie Williams, daughter of Stephanie Williams of West Des Moines, walks in the Week of the Young Child Penny Parade recently held on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. The Week of the Young Child is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).

Three-year old Caleb Champlin walks with his mom, Katie, around the mall area of the DMACC Ankeny Campus during the Penny Parade. Caleb is the son of Katie and Ray Champlin of Grimes.

Three-year old Tessa Boldt, daughter of Jackie and Nate Boldt of Urbandale, dresses as a ladybug with basket in hand in the hopes of receiving pennies from faculty, staff and students during the annual Penny Parade.

Five-year old Lydia Lacey, daughter of Kim and Scott Lacey of Ankeny, leads the daycare center children in the parade on the Ankeny Campus.
HOT DIGGITY DOG DAY

DMACC Chef Dean Luttrell applies ketchup to a hot dog being eagerly anticipated by his three-year-old son Remington. The center’s children and their parents and grandparents enjoyed free hot dogs, baked beans, potato salad and chips at the culmination of the Week of the Young Child event on the DMACC Ankeny Campus.

A cake with five stars awaits youngsters aged 2-5 who attend the DMACC Child Development Center. There are approximately 300 child care centers, preschools, and before-and-after-school programs in Polk County, and the DMACC Child Development Center is one of only 19 with a top rating of five stars from the Iowa Quality Program.
ENTREPRENEURSHIP DAY

Rod Sears, CEO of Aspen Athletic Clubs, speaks at the 11th annual “Making a World of Difference” Entrepreneurship Day recently held at the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Sears said the three service musts of operating an athletic club include: opening clubs on time (every day at 5 a.m.), keeping the clubs clean, and trying to fix all broken equipment within 24 hours.

DMACC Entrepreneurship Program Chair and Conference Facilitator Vada Grantham presents an award to Modern Muse Founder and Entrepreneurship Day speaker Tiffany Tokarz. Tokarz won the “Most Innovative Program of the Year” award for the wellness program she created for Bank of America.

SAFE SPACE DAY

Safe Space Day Coordinator and Talking Trees Executive Director Dr. Rosenna Bakari, a survivor of childhood sexual abuse herself, said there are more than 60 million adult survivors of sexual assault. DMACC celebrated Safe Space Day by holding a day-long conference on creating safe space and breaking the silence of childhood sexual abuse and incest. The conference was held in the FFA Enrichment Center on the Ankeny Campus.

Dr. Rosenna Bakari
DIVERSITY COMMISSION SPONSORS SPEAKER ON “TRANSGENDER 101”

Decker Moss, who grew up a girl in St. Louis, delivered a Diversity Commission-sponsored presentation on “Transgender 101” on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Moss said the definition of “gender” is socially-constructed roles, behaviors, activities and attributes considered appropriate for men and women. He said it has nothing to do with biological sex. Other terms he described in the hour-long presentation included “gender identity” or the internal sense of being a girl or boy, women or man, both or neither. Moss, who works in an advertising agency in Phoenix, said transgender people make up approximately 0.25 to 1 percent of the population.

Moss also recited staggering statistics on the challenges confronting transgender people:
- 63 percent of transgendered people are victims of serious acts of discrimination
- 78 percent are bullied or mistreated
- 90 percent are harassed or mistreated at work
- 53 percent are harassed or mistreated in public services
- 19 percent experience homelessness
- 19 percent are refused medical care
- 57 percent lost family support
- 41 percent attempt suicide at least once

PTK INDUCTION CEREMONY ON THE NEWTON CAMPUS

Nine DMACC Newton Campus students were recently inducted into the Beta Gamma Rho chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. The inductees include (left to right) Sandy Wells, Jennafer Uitermarkt, Melissa Todd, Bethany Poulson, Juliet Lee, Josette Hutton, Jaelyn Hogue, Connor Scheffler and Christina Walter.
EARTH WEEK ACTIVITIES

DMACC second-year student Matt Messer of Adel models his “bag monster” costume at DMACC Ankeny Campus Earth Week activities. Messer was letting everyone know that the average person in Iowa uses 500 plastic bags each year, which in turn causes littering problems.

Second year DMACC Commercial Horticulture student Alex Lyons visits with Lance Koch, the refuge manager at the Neil Smith National Wildlife Refuge. Koch had set up a display on the DMACC Ankeny Campus as part of Earth Week activities.

DMACC first-year Environmental Sciences student Sarah Bittner of Indianola discusses water quality issues with Iowa Rivers Revival Executive Assistant Jenn Dreier at an Earth Week event sponsored by DMACC’s Ankeny Campus Student Activities Council.

DMACC Ankeny/Urban Campus first-year student Tim Stroh of Winterset receives a free sample of wild game from Michelle Wilson, Executive Officer of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Conservation and Recreation Division. Wilson was serving duck, pheasant, fish and a venison stew as part of the Urban Campus Earth Week activities. Stroh is enrolled in DMACC’s Environmental Sciences program.
MUSIC AT NOON CONCERT AT URBAN

DMACC Urban Campus student Misael Chavez of Knoxville sings “El Triste” 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.

PORTFOLIO DAY AT THE GREATER DES MOINES BOTANICAL CENTER

DMACC Graphic Design student Juan Alvarado of Des Moines, shown in front of some of his projects at the Portfolio Day, was this year’s recipient of the Art Directors Association of Iowa (ADAI) Scholarship of $1,100.
PORTFOLIO DAY AT THE GREATER DES MOINES BOTANICAL CENTER (CONT.)

DMACC Graphic Design student Tyra Washington of Knoxville shows some of her works during the DMACC Portfolio Day event.

DMACC Graphic Design student Samantha Hoff of Ankeny shows some of her projects at Portfolio Day at the Greater Des Moines Botanical Center.

BOONE CAMPUS NURSING STUDENT HONORED

DMACC Boone Campus nursing student Mackenzie Rittgers of Pocahontas receives congratulations from DMACC Boone Campus Provost Tom Lee and Boone Campus Practical Nursing Program Chair Natalia Thilges. Rittgers received a Health Care Heroes Acknowledgement from the Boone County Hospital. She was recently recognized by a patient from the Boone County Hospital for the exceptional care she provided during the patient's two-day hospital stay.
YOUNG-DUNN NAMED SOCIAL WORKER OF THE YEAR

DMACC Human Services Chair Ilima Young-Dunn receives congratulations from DMACC President Rob Denson for being named the 2015 Social Worker of the Year by the Iowa Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW). Ilima received the award at the NASW Iowa Chapter Annual Symposium and Award Luncheon held April 16 at the Holiday Inn Des Moines Northwest.

HISET GRADUATION CEREMONY

Iowa High School Equivalency Testing (HiSET) graduate Vasavi Pativada (center) of Johnston poses in her cap and gown with her children, nine-year old Reetu Makka (left) and seven-year old Sri Makka following the graduation ceremony held at Roosevelt High School in Des Moines. Nearly 70 students walked across the stage to receive their Des Moines Area Community College (DMACC) Adult High School diploma or Iowa High School Equivalency diploma.

Maria Mejia of Des Moines poses with her family, nine-year-old Christopher Mejia, three-year-old Jacqueline Rodriguez and Carlos Rodriguez, following the HiSET graduation ceremony.
DMACC Board member Felix Gallagher delivers the graduation address at the DMACC High School Diploma and High School Equivalency Diploma graduation ceremony.

**SPEECH COMMUNICATION AWARDS**

DMACC Ankeny Campus student Natasha Bettina Penniman of Windsor Heights has received two speech communication honors awards. She received the Recognition of Achievement in Speech Communication Award from the Iowa Communication Association and also the Sigma Chi Eta Speech Communication Honors Award from the National Communication Association. DMACC’s chapter of Sigma Chi Eta is Alpha Epsilon. To receive these honors, students must have taken nine credits of speech or approved speech-related courses, earned a 3.25 grade point average in those courses, and earned a 3.0 G.P.A. overall. Casey Snead (not pictured) of Des Moines also received the two speech communication honors awards.

**JOB OPENINGS**

Student Services Specialist, Urban Campus
Application Deadline: May 3, 2015

If interested in the above position, please visit the DMACC website at [http://jobs.dmacc.edu](http://jobs.dmacc.edu)
PIONEERS CONNECTION

MAY MEETING (Note important location change)
The May Pioneers meeting will be held on Thursday, May 14 at 11:30 a.m. in the FFA building, rooms 108 & 109. Roslea Johnson, retired DMACC Professor, will be giving a presentation on the latest of her four trips to China. The directors meeting begins at 10 a.m.

In order to help us accurately plan, please make your reservation by 4 p.m. on Monday, 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!

RETIREE PACKETS
Thanks to Cathy Lawyer, for putting together Retiree packets for those DMACC employees who will be retiring this spring The packets include letters from DMACC President Rob Denson and Pioneer President Shirley Muhlenthaler, a Pioneer coffee mug, pen, notepad and a brochure about the Pioneers. We always welcome the new retirees and invite them to get involved in our great group.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:
- Deb Bell
- Steve Bendy
- Connie Booth
- Lisa Brumback
- Bob Dresback
- George Granseth
- DeLores Hawkins
- David Levy
- Donna Kelly
- Patricia Leisy
- Julie Peters
- Sally Schroeder
- Vicki Schaeffer
- M. Joanne Temple
- Donalla Warren

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. Hope to see you there!

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