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DMACC President Rob Denson leads Kibbie 5-0 around the Pioneer Livestock Pavilion at the Iowa State Fair during during the 2015 Governor’s Charity Steer Show. Named after former Iowa State Senator Jack Kibbie, who introduced legislation in 1965 that established Iowa’s current community college system, Kibbie 5-0 is owned by Dan Eslick of Dayton. Iowa’s 15 community colleges are now 50 years old.

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GOVERNORS CHARITY STEER SHOW (CONT.)

DMACC President Rob Denson (left) and former State Senator Jack Kibbie (right) pose with Iowa Governor Terry Branstad following the 2015 Governor’s Charity Steer Show.

DMACC FOUNDATION RECEIVES GRANT FROM POLK COUNTY

On behalf of the Polk County Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Steve Van Oort (center) presents a $100,000 Polk County Community Development Grant check to DMACC President Rob Denson (left) and DMACC Chef Robert Anderson. This grant is to fund the 7,500-sq ft expansion of DMACC’s Iowa Culinary Institute (ICI), which started in May and will be completed in March 2016. The new expansion will include new classrooms, a learning lab, a new entrance on the southeast side of the building to provide a welcoming area for guest and student arrivals, an additional entrance from the main DMACC Ankeny Campus, an expanded reception area, and a new HVAC system.
EKD CENTER FOR WORKING FAMILIES THIRD ANNIVERSARY

Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families Director Marvin DeJear (left) presents the annual Partner of the Year Award to Easter Seals President/CEO Sherri Nielsen and Easter Seals Director of Supported Community Living Steven Slye. The presentation was made at the third anniversary of the Evelyn K. Davis Center for Working Families. Nearly 100 community partners and others attended the event. The Center, located at 801 University in Des Moines, has provided nearly 12,000 bundled services to current participants and has generated more than $10.6 million back into the community through placement efforts since opening three years ago.

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

Ankeny Campus
Academic Advisor Megan Mudd (left) and Education Professor Patsy Steffen enjoy themselves in a big red chair in the mall area of the DMACC Ankeny Campus on the first day of the new semester.
FIRST DAY OF CLASSES (CONT.)

DMACC first-year Dental Hygiene student Holly Bingham (right) receives a free hot dog from Anne Allen with the Ankeny Campus Student Activities Council during the first day of classes on the Ankeny Campus. The SAC served chips, bottled water, and more than 600 hot dogs grilled by Andy Nelson from Recreation/Wellness Services for the enjoyment of students, faculty, and staff.

First-year DMACC Liberal Arts student Katie Nelson of Panora adds flavoring to her free kona ice during the opening week of classes at the DMACC Ankeny Campus.

DMACC Ankeny Campus students enjoy the new picnic tables under the tent in the mall area of the Ankeny Campus.
MEALS FROM THE HEARTLAND

A ten-member team of DMACC volunteers took part in the 2015 HyVee Cup at Jordan Creek Mall. The DMACC team, wearing their 50th anniversary t-shirts, pose in their hairnets prior to the competition. The team consisted of (left to right) Kim Lacey, Rick Dawson, Breck Danner, Dana Zeiser, Erin Smith, Sarah Becker, Jacki Boldt, Joe DeHart, Tracie Cameron and Jay Tiefenthaler.

The DMACC team was competing against 11 other teams to package 72 bags for the Meals from the Heartland project.

Jacki Boldt adds her scoop to a package. Further down the line, Erin Smith holds a package as Tracie Cameron seals it. Joe DeHart anxiously waits to put the sealed package in a box to be sealed. Nearly 40,000 meals were packaged that afternoon. The DMACC team finished in third place in the six-team heat, with the top two teams advancing to the finals.
GATEWAY TO COLLEGE GRADUATION AT SOUTHRIDGE CENTER

Students receive congratulations from DMACC President Rob Denson for graduating from the Gateway to College program at DMACC’s Southridge Center. The graduates included (left to right): Samantha Martin of Newton, Tessa Conkin of Des Moines, Keely Trammell of Ames, Brandon Raitt of Des Moines and DMACC President Rob Denson. Students receive their high school diploma from their home high school. Gateway to College is a national education model that offers at-risk youth a new start by giving them full access to college courses, facilities and support services. Participating students receive their high school diploma from Des Moines Public Schools and college credit from DMACC. Students graduate from the program when they complete their diploma requirements.

DMACC PIONEERS GARAGE SALE

Dozens of people wait for the 7 a.m. opening of the automotive lab garage doors signifying the start of the DMACC Pioneers Garage Sale. Jill McMahon (left) and Mandi Stone travelled from Newton to check out some of the items for sale at the annual DMACC Pioneers Garage Sale.
DMACC PIONEERS GARAGE SALE (CONT.)

Dana Thorp of Ankeny looks for treasures at the annual DMACC Pioneers Garage Sale. The garage sale, located at the DMACC Ankeny Campus, is put on by retired DMACC employees. All money raised during the two-day sale is used for DMACC student scholarships.

DMACC EMPLOYEE AWARDS

Congratulations to DMACC employee Jim VonBehren, who recently received a DMACC Employee Award.

Jim VonBehren – Adjunct Instructor, Perry Academy. A welding adjunct, he reorganized the welding lab, utilizing the space to its fullest. The reorganization has made a more efficient arrangement, and a safer, less hazardous environment for everyone. He did it all on his own time, expecting nothing in return.

To download a nomination form, click on http://go.dmacc.edu/bulletin/document/daward.pdf.

Additional nomination forms are available in each department or office and may also be requested from Kim Cady at 964-6301 or kscady@dmacc.edu.

PIioneer CONNECTION

FINAL GARAGE SALE ANOTHER SUCCESS:
For one last time, the PIONEERS GARAGE SALE was a huge success. We held final sales on Aug. 14 and Sat., Aug 15 to raise money for student assistance. We brought in a total of $2,738.17. That is a lot of items that sold for $1 or less.

MANY THANKS to all of the Pioneers who helped organize, price, assist customers and clean up after the sale--and, of course, to those of you who donated items for the sale. We could not have done this without all of you. St. Vincent DePaul picked up any leftover items that they could sell and Plant Services disposed of the remaining treasures.
PIONEER CONNECTION (CONT.)

SEPTEMBER KICK-OFF & 50th CELEBRATION
On Thur., Sept. 3, we will hold our Annual Pioneer Kick-Off. The event is always well attended and we are looking for a record number of attendees as we begin a year of celebration for the 50th Anniversary of DMACC. The event will be held in the FFA conference room with the following program:

4:30 pm  Registration and Social Time
5:00 pm  Group Photo by Dan Ivis
5:15 pm  Dinner catered by Hickory Park of Ames, Iowa
5:45 pm  Welcome: Shirley Muehlenthaler, President, DMACC Pioneers
6:00 pm  DMACC Update by Rob Denson, President, DMACC
6:30 pm  DMACC Foundation Update, Tara Connolly, Executive Director, DMACC Foundation
6:40 pm  50th kick-off celebration
7:00 pm  Social Time

There will be a special musical presentation by the Pioneer Players. Please join us for the Celebration.

Call 964-6868 or e-mail us at PIONEERS@DMACC.EDU by FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH
Catered by Hickory Park • Guests welcome
Please bring non-perishable food for Pamela's Pantry

OCTOBER MEETING – Thursday, Oct. 8
Please join us for a Fall Fun meeting at the Berry Farm of Pioneer members Dean & Judy Henry. Details to follow.

WHEW! We have been a very busy group this year and many of us were there in the beginning when our college was just a fledgling campus. Those of you who have a rich history here will be a special part of the 50th Celebration.

NOTE: Wear your 50th Tee Shirt to the Kick-Off!
HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY DMACC!

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