HILLARY CLINTON SPEAKS ON THE DMACC ANKENY CAMPUS

DMACC President Rob Denson (right) gives a tour of the DMACC Ankeny Campus Tool and Die Lab to Democratic Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton. This marked the third time since 1993 that Clinton has visited the DMACC Campus.

DMACC Tool and Die student Ethan O’Loughlin (left) of Kelley talks with former First Lady, former U.S. Senator, and former U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton (center) and former Iowa Governor and current U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack in the Ankeny Campus Tool and Die lab.
HILLARY CLINTON SPEAKS ON THE DMACC ANKENY CAMPUS (CONT.)

DMACC Tool and Die Professor Dennis Knittel (left) talks about the tool and die job market with DMACC student Ethan O’Loughlin, Democratic Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton and former Iowa Governor Tom Vilsack.

DMACC Tool and Die students (left to right) Ahmed Huskic of West Des Moines, Phi Nguyen of Waukee, Dethnarong “Jimmy” Syharath of Ankeny and CNC student Laura Hinkel of Des Moines meet Hillary Clinton on the Ankeny Campus.
DMACC President Rob Denson welcomes Democratic Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton and former Iowa Governor and now U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack to the FFA Enrichment Center on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Clinton unveiled her plan for a vibrant rural America during her campaign stop at DMACC.

Former Iowa Governor and now U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack (right) introduces U.S. Presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton at the FFA Enrichment Center on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. Clinton unveiled her ag policies at the event.
HILLARY CLINTON SPEAKS ON THE DMACC ANKENY CAMPUS (CONT.)

Following a lengthy introduction by Vilsack, Hillary Clinton stepped to the microphone and delivered her plan for a vibrant rural America. She said we must do more to ensure the vitality of our rural areas, not only because America’s 46 million rural residents make up nearly 15 percent of our population, but also because rural America provides the foundation for the entire country’s economic success.

She focused on strengthening rural America for the next generation in four key areas:

- Spurring investment to power the rural economy
- Raising agricultural production and profitability for family farms
- Promoting clean energy leadership and collaborative stewardship
- Expanding opportunity in rural communities across America

DMACC RECEIVES NATIONAL ENERGY EXCELLENCE AWARD

DMACC President Rob Denson (left) receives an Energy Excellence Award from Cenergistic Energy Consultant Vice President John Lampas at the recent DMACC Board of Directors meeting. Cenergistic, a national conservation company, presented the award to DMACC for saving a total of $1,062,905 savings from energy-efficient practices over a 37-month time period.
DMACC RECEIVES NATIONAL ENERGY EXCELLENCE AWARD (CONT.)

DMACC President Rob Denson (left to right), Cenergistic Energy Consultant Vice President John Lampas and DMACC Energy Specialist Jay Tiefenthaler hold an oversized check depicting the more than $1 million DMACC saved in energy-efficient practices over a 37-month time period. Tiefenthaler was hired by DMACC in 2012 and has instilled a culture of energy savings at DMACC’s six campuses and six learning centers.

YOUTHBUILD GRADUATION

Ten DMACC Youthbuild program students from Des Moines have successfully completed a seven-month program that combines academic instruction, workplace etiquette and construction training to help them become more employable. The program is for young adults from 18 to 24 years old. Those recognized at a graduation reception include (left to right), Robert Cornell, Tyvon Simms, Darrius Bryson, David Bernal-Gallegos, Austin Aldridge, Miguel Hernandez, Kevin Henley, Cheynne Sandusky, Derrick Kelly and Jahron Mozee. In addition, Habitat for Humanity provided the Youthbuild students with an opportunity to practice job skills, such as on-time attendance, positive work attitude and actual hands-on skills related to carpentry and home-building.
SOUTHRIDGE CENTER HOLDS 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Carlisle High School student Tyarra Rodgers of Carlisle is offered a free cupcake from DMACC Continuing Education Executive Director Michael Hoffman at the DMACC Southridge Center. Rodgers is taking DMACC Criminal Justice classes at the Southridge Center. Iowa’s community college system was founded in 1966. The free cupcakes were part of DMACC’s 50th anniversary celebration which continues throughout the academic year on all DMACC campuses and centers.

When the cupcakes ran out, Hoffman cut into the 50th anniversary cake.

Indianola High School student Cole Denning of Indianola waits to be served a free piece of frosted cake at the DMACC Southridge Center. Denning is taking DMACC Automotive Technology classes at the Southridge Center.
G.M. DONATES CHEVY TAHOE TO DMACC

General Motors has donated a 2015 Chevy Tahoe Law Enforcement Edition to the DMACC GM Automotive Service Education Program (ASEP) so the students can learn the latest technology equipped on today’s vehicles. Some of the students who will get to work on this vehicle include (left to right, standing, back row) Laverne Martin of Iowa City, Payton Klinger of Des Moines and Devan Olson of Adel; (standing in front of the vehicle) Brandon Pfohl of Manning and Nate Vaughn of Ankeny; (kneeling, left to right) Vincent Boock of Strawberry Point, Connor Sackett of Woodward, Mark Smith of State Center, Austin Nyheim of Altoona, Nick Mona of Des Moines, Tyler Scott of Sioux City, Melissa Mark of Des Moines, Drayton Carter of Des Moines and Luke Herman of Waterloo.

JOB OPENINGS

Academic Advisor
Ankeny Campus
Application Deadline: Sept. 11, 2015

Library Specialist
Urban Campus, Mon.-Thur.: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Fri.: 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

If interested in the above positions, please visit the DMACC website at http://jobs.dmacc.edu
DMACC PIONEERS KICK-OFF DINNER

The DMACC Pioneers held their annual kickoff recently in the FFA Enrichment Center. The former DMACC employees posed for this photo before listening to DMACC President Rob Denson and Foundation Executive Director Tara Connolly delivered a state of DMACC address. The Pioneers dined on BBQ sandwiches at the event.

PIioneer Connection

Pioneer Kick-off

Many thanks to all of the Pioneers who helped make the 2015 Pioneer kick-off a huge success. On Thur., Sept. 3, over 80 turned out to enjoy another annual kick-off at the FFA Enrichment Center. We were brought up to date by President Rob Denson who shared some very exciting information about the year past and the year ahead in which we will celebrate our 50th anniversary serving students and the community.

Tara Connolly introduced two Pioneer Scholarship winners who thanked the Pioneers and shared their personal stories.

Pioneer President Shirley Muehlenthaler announced that the 50th Anniversary Outstanding Pioneer Award will go to Carroll Bennett who is tirelessly devoted to our group and to the history and celebration of the 50-year anniversary committees. Carroll and his wife, Mary Jo, contribute so much to DMACC and to the Pioneers.

CONGRATULATIONS CARROLL! WELL DESERVED!
PIONEER CONNECTION (CONT.)

Verlyn Noring organized a group of musically talented Pioneers who entertained us with a sing-a-long, band and dance performance with music we all related to. I had the fun job of performing as the “Champagne Lady” with words to the music of “Are You Lonesome Tonight” which turned into “So You Feel Old Tonight.”

All in all it was another wonderful kick-off. Thanks to Jodie Kinsey, former DMACC Commercial Art graduate, who heads up the Ankeny HyVee Floral department for the beautiful yellow rose center pieces.

OCTOBER MEETING – Thur., Oct. 8, 11:30 a.m.

Please join us for a Fall Fun meeting at the Berry Farm of Pioneer members Dean & Judy Henry at 62785 280th Street in Nevada. Judy will prepare a lunch for us. Dean and Judy Henry realized a dream by establishing the Berry Patch Farm in the early 1970s. Today, you’ll see Judy at the markets, Dean on the tractors, and their son, Mike, at the stand and picking the freshest harvest. They have Earligold, Honeycrisp, Mollies Delicious, Cortland, Lura Red, and more.

For information, contact (515) 382-5138 or 877-382-5138 or info@BerryPatchFarm.com

NOTE: The board will meet in room 108 in the FFA Enrichment Center at 9:30 a.m.

Call 964-6868 to reserve by 4 p.m. Mon., Oct. 5. If you need to cancel after that time, please leave a message. Pamela’s Pantry can always use your non-perishable food items.

IMPORTANT: We will no longer be mailing out the flier announcements for the upcoming meetings so those of you who don’t have internet access, you will need to call in to the Pioneers at 964-6868 for information on upcoming meetings. Most meetings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of every month unless otherwise announced in advance.

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