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Provost to retire

Robin Cazavilan
Banner Staff

"It's a people oriented job. I will miss the people that I work with day in and day out." said Vivian Brandmeyer.

Brandmeyer has worked for DMACC for 30 years. Her title has gone from teacher, to administrator and finally, to DMACC Boone Provost for the last 3 years. June 30 of 2005 will be her last day here at DMACC.

"I chose to work at DMACC because they gave me the opportunity to try new things with teaching."

When asked what her job description is, Brandmeyer responded, "I am responsible for all campus activities, supervising campus staff and faculty and working with the community."

Review of applicants begins after the first of the year.



Vivian Brandmeyer

For now--

DMACC athletics to stay on Boone Campus

Josh Hutt
Banner Staff

The Ankeny Campus has 9,366 registered students on campus while the Urban campus has 2,536 students. Despite the number of students on both campuses, the DMACC sports program's home is at the Boone Campus with its 1,526 students.

This has been a big issue for the Ankeny Campus Chronicle managing editor Tommy Birch. Birch has expressed his opinion about DMACC sports through his column, "It's My Line Anyway."

"I am just looking out for the best interest of the school," Birch said.

Birch points out more student athletes in Des Moines area high schools would be drawn to the athletic program if the program was moved to Ankeny.

So what keeps the DMACC sports program in Boone?

"Tradition, but I don't know if that holds any water," Boone Campus Provost Vivian Brandmeyer said.

DMACC took over operational control of Boone Junior College in 1968. Boone Junior College was established in 1927. The athletic program slowly began sometime after that. Basketball games against other junior colleges were arranged when possible.

Boone Junior College had great success in its athletic program, despite the lack of organization. The school produced national golf champions and a competitive basketball team.

It wasn't until 1965 when a biology instructor named Harold Johnson became the school's first athletic director. As a part

of the merger, the Board made a deal that it would keep the sports at the DMACC Boone Campus.

The sports played at DMACC include baseball, basketball, volleyball and the newly formed women's golf program.

Despite no written documents keeping the sports program in Boone, George Silberhorn, Associate Dean of the Boone Campus and a part of the Boone Campus for 33 years, doesn't see any sign of athletics changing campuses anytime soon.

"We have always had strong support from the Boone Community and the student government has always been very generous," Silberhorn said. As of this year, SAC contributed 44 percent of its funds to the athletic program.

Silberhorn also points out the one flaw in the athletic program. "Our college just has never had a strong alumni association," said Silberhorn. This attributes to the lack of proper records for the sports program prior to the DMACC and Boone Junior College merger.

Despite the flaw, DMACC President Rob Denson is committed to keeping sports on the Boone Campus.

"The program has built a following and a tradition. We are all proud of that," Denson said. Denson also said he never rules anything out.

"Any move would be expensive," Denson said. He also said he wouldn't change any program that is successful.

Birch recognizes that the move may never happen.

"Boone is a nice little town," Birch said.

Final Exam Schedule

Tuesday, December 14

Class Time

8:05 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
11:15 a.m. – 12:40 p.m. 10:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
2:25 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. 1:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
4:00 p.m. – 5:25 p.m. 3:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Tuesday/Thursday courses

Exam Time

Wednesday, December 15

Class Time

8:00 a.m. – 8:55 a.m. 8:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
10:10 a.m. – 11:05 a.m. 10:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
12:20 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. 1:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
2:30 p.m. – 3:25 p.m. 3:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Mon/Wed/Friday or more courses

Exam Time

Thursday, December 16

Class Time

6:30 a.m. – 7:55 a.m. 6:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.
9:40 a.m. – 11:05 a.m. 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
12:50 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. 11:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Tuesday/Thursday

Exam Time

Friday, December 17 Mon/Wed/Friday courses or more courses

Class Time

6:55 a.m. – 7:50 a.m. 7:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
9:05 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
11:15 a.m. – 12:10 p.m. 12:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
1:25 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. 2:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
3:35 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Exam Time

Evenings Exams

Evening courses will have their finals at the day and time of the final regular class meeting.

Last Monday night classes (Final Exam)	December 13
Last Tuesday night classes (Final Exam)	December 7
Last Wednesday night classes (Final Exam)	December 15
Last Thursday night classes (Final Exam)	December 16
Last Monday/Wednesday night classes (Final Exam)	December 15
Last Tuesday/Thursday night classes (Final Exam)	December 14

1937-38 Boone Junior College Basketball Team

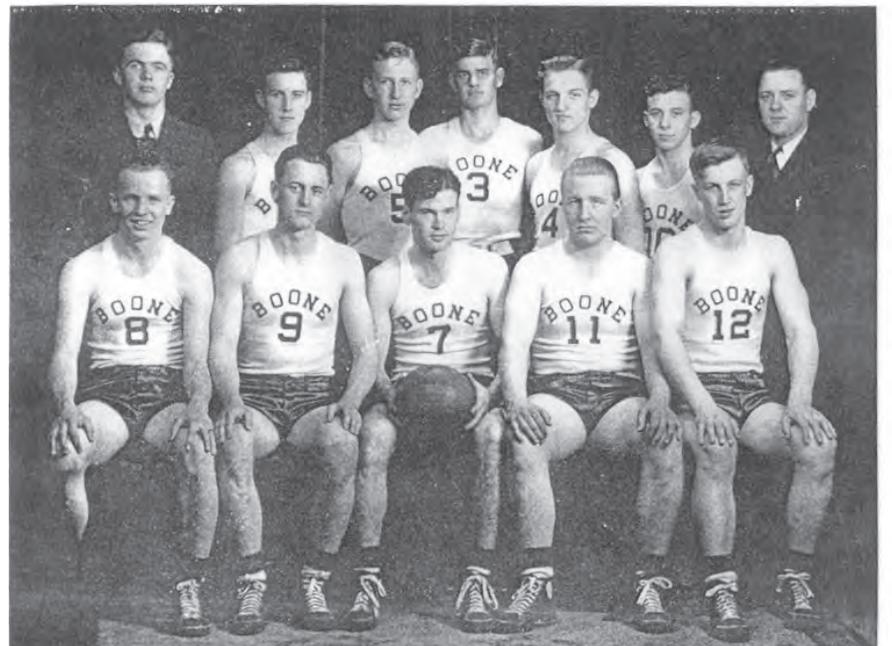


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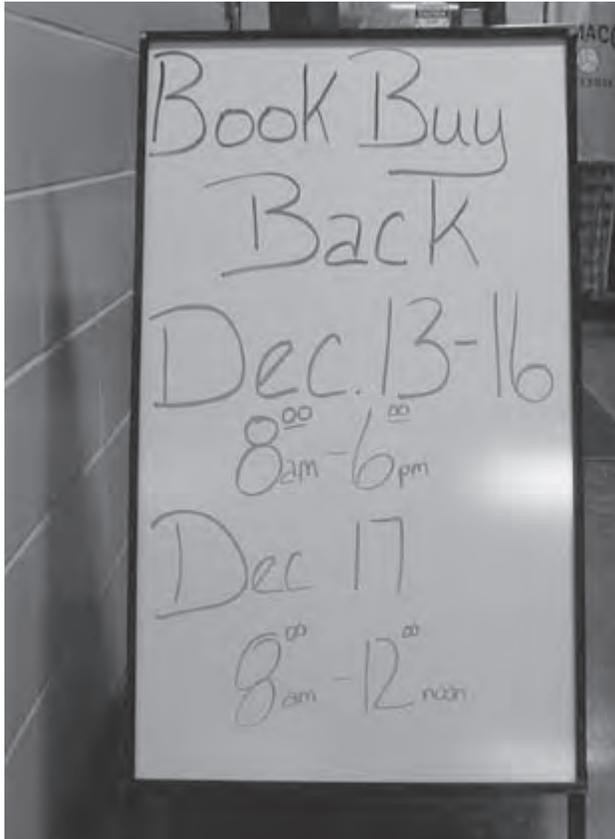
Back row: (l. to r.)--Fronsdahl (Manager), Brown, Brogden, Washington, Heaton, Harvey, Coach Bain; front row (l. to r.)--Snyder, Dutton, Wheeler, Anderson and Hendricks.

Knowledge Knook Bookstore buyback list

Beginning Monday, Dec 13, the bookstore will be accepting books in return for a cash refund of 1/2 the price paid for them at the beginning of the semester if

they were bought new. The list below is the complete list of books being accepted and the amount of money that they will pay for them.

School books that are not on the list will be bought by a wholesaler who will have a table set up outside of the library.



Book/ Author	Refund
Elementary Statistics w/CD/ Bluman	\$52.75
Meeting of Minds: Brief Rhetoric for Writing/ Callaghan	\$24.75
Biology w/CD/ Campbell	\$66.25
Fundamental Abnormal PSCH. w/ CD/ Comer	\$40.50
Politics in States and Communities/ Dye	\$43.75
Understanding Psychology/ Feldman	\$51.25
Sophie's World/ Gaarder	\$ 4. 00
Invitation to Philosophy/ Honer	\$23.75
Understanding Human Sexuality/ Hyde	\$49.50
Music: and Appreciation w/CD-ROM/ Kamien	\$38.25
Finite Math/ Lial	\$54.50
Intro to Physical Education/ Lumpkin	\$39.50
Society the Basics/ Macionis	\$30.00
Macroeconomics w/ Discoverecon Online/ McConnel	\$48.00
Microeconomics w/ Discoverecon Online/ McConnel	\$48.00
Strategies for Effective Teaching/ Ornstein	\$44.25
Human Development w/ CD/ Papalia	\$51.25
Human Communication/ CDR/ Pearson	\$34.75
Common Culture/ Petracca	\$24.50
Physics for SCI and ENG w/ CD/ Serway	\$71.25
Trig for College Students/ Smith	\$52.75
Ethics: Theory and Practice/ Thiroux	\$25.50
GEN, ORG and Biological CHEM w/CD/ Timberlake	\$62.75
Microbiology/ Tortora	\$66.00
Accounting Principles w/ CD/ Weygandt	\$64.00

Refund

Phi Kappa Phi to award more than \$500,000 in 2005

BATON ROUGE—(COLLEGIATE PRESSWIRE)—The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi will allocate more than \$500,000 in 2005 to provide financial support to qualifying members and non-members through graduate and undergraduate scholarships, member and chapter awards, and grants for local and national literacy initiatives.

The nation's oldest, largest, and most selective all-discipline honor society, Phi Kappa Phi is accepting applications now for the following scholarships and grants:

Study/Internship Abroad Grants

- Grants assist undergraduates as they seek knowledge and experience abroad
- 38 grants of \$1,000 available
- Competition is open to all members and non-members in all fields of study
- Application deadline is Jan. 15, 2005

Graduate Fellowships

- 60 Fellowships of \$5,000 and 40 Awards of Excellence of \$2,000 available to support first-year graduate or professional study
- Applicant must be an active member of Phi Kappa Phi and have applied to enroll as a full-time student in a post-baccalaureate program of study for the 2005-06 academic year
- Application deadline is Feb. 1, 2005

Literacy Grants

- Grants of up to \$2,500 each available to Phi Kappa Phi chapters and individual members for projects related to literacy
- Grants may be used to fund ongoing literacy projects or to create new initiatives

— Project director must be an active member of Phi Kappa Phi

— Application deadline is Feb. 1, 2005

Promotion of Excellence Grants

— Grants provide support to Phi Kappa Phi members and chapters as they design and implement programs and activities that advance excellence in higher education

— Up to \$80,000 available — \$10,000 maximum amount per grant

— Project director must be an active member of Phi Kappa Phi

— Application deadline is Jan. 28, 2005

“Phi Kappa Phi has expanded its awards program in recent years to recognize and celebrate the scholarly achievements of even more outstanding students,” said Perry Snyder, Phi Kappa Phi executive director. “Heightened interest among undergraduate students has accompanied the expansion of our award program.”

The Society's mission is “To recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others.”

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L.W. Courter Center



For more information, contact Nancy Woods on the Boone Campus.

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Weather Cancellations

If weather conditions in the early morning hours warrant the decision to cancel classes due to inclement weather, the decision will most generally be made around 6 a.m. As soon as a decision has been made to cancel Boone Campus classes, the radio stations listed below will be contacted.

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- Lazer 103.3
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- KRNT
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- FM 93.3
- AM 13.50
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- KDLS
- FM 105.5
- AM 1310

Cancellation announcements will also be recorded on the Boone Campus telephone system. The direct number for Boone Campus is 432-7203. Students and/or staff can also call toll free 1-800-362-2127, press 3 for Boone Campus to hear announcements of weather cancellations. Weather cancellations will also be announced on DMACC's web site www.dmacc.org.

If the weather condition during the school day warrants an early dismissal I will make the decision, notify staff and notify the radio station as soon as possible. The decision to cancel evening classes will most generally be made by 4:30 p.m.

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Domestic Violence affects everyone

Editor's Note: This is the second of a two-part series on domestic violence. The first part (Nov. 24, 2005) dealt with the victim and the police. This second part discusses those who work and volunteer for the ACCESS program.

Breget Medley
JNAD 121 Student

According to the Domestic Violence Information Center, women between the ages of 16 to 24 are most likely be victimized by their partner. In the age group of 20 to 24, African-American women experience more violence than their white counterpart, and Hispanic women are less likely to be victims than non-Hispanic women in every age group. Women are more likely to be abused if separated from their intimate partner, and the second most vulnerable group is divorcees, discouraging women from leaving their abusive husband sand ending up being more at risk of victimization.

According to FBI reports, during 1976 to 1996, domestic violence claimed the lives of three out of four female victims. At the same time there was a sharp decrease of men being killed by their intimate partners. This was attributed to the fact that there were more shelters to go to.

Ann Greenfield, Executive Director of Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support in Ames has worked for ACCESS for ten years. She said, "We serve Story, Boone, and Greene County, but will take families from anywhere. We reach nearly 5,000 people each year with our educational programming/trainings."

ACCESS has nine full-time staff, four part-time staff, and 60 to 70 volunteers. ACCESS served 1,150 survivors last year, and of those, 201 stayed in the Ames shelter. Boone County served 199 survivors.

One of the volunteers who worked for ACCESS is Joa LaVille, now a Marshalltown children and adolescent librarian. She said, "My time volunteering there was a very powerful experience in my life. I volunteered there during and after college, from 1989 until probably

1993. I did what was called a "shelter shift" working in the shelter with the women and children who were currently staying there, answering the crisis phone line and helping with any intakes that came in during my shift."

During her later years, she was on call, which involved doing in-home domestic violence interventions (connecting with the woman after her partner was arrested), providing counseling for rape crisis situations, usually at the hospital with a rape victim, and meeting women who wanted to come into the shelter at a neutral location and bringing them to the shelter for intake.

"Since the shelter tries to maintain a confidential location," said LaVille, "people would never just come in on their own. As a long time experienced volunteer, I also worked occasionally paid shifts during holidays for the regular full-time staff."

La Ville also participated in the 'court watch' program (providing a presence at court hearings to encourage accountability within the legal system among those who prosecute and impose rulings regarding domestic violence and rape cases) as well as participating as a public speaker on behalf of the organization.

"It was very rewarding to work with the residents and their children at the shelter, particularly to see the positive changes in people," said LaVille. "I worked with women and children in m direct client work, but interacted with all kinds of people when I represented ACCESS through public speaking engagements. Also, at the time when I was in college at Iowa State and working with ACCESS there was just beginning a male-initiated social action against violence towards women called MARS (Men against Rape). I worked with this group also."

It has been more than 10 years since LaVille has worked in this area, but the

impressions of this experience were so powerful that they really stuck with her.

"The impact of domestic violence on children can't be overemphasized. I get very frustrated when I hear people say, 'he would never hurt the kids', when talking about someone who is violent towards his spouse. Hurting a mother in front of her children is incredible, painful and damaging to her children. In many ways, I would argue it is harder for a child to deal with that being abused him or her self. "There is so much guilt, and the experience threatens the child's future identity as a partner in a healthy relationship," said LaVille.

Children are either very withdrawn and afraid, very clingy towards anyone who pays any positive attention, or aggressive in ways that are often called "acting out" behaviors, said LaVille. "All of these ways of dealing with this stressful situ-

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ation can lead to further problems for the kids, like school-related problems, etc. The difference in the behavior of children from their first few days staying at the shelter, to their behavior after being in a violent-free environment with a single parent going through a hugely stressful time, is most definitely not an easy situation."

LaVille stressed that there is no particular kind of person in this situation. This kind of experience can happen to anyone. She said she gets very frustrated when she hears people being condescending about "women like that" who put up with domestic violence and how they, themselves, would never "let" someone treat them like that.

"While I think it's great that people have strong feelings about what they expect in a relationship," said LaVille, "domestic violence is not usually about women having lower standards or a lack of self respect. It is about one person in a more powerful physical and/or social position making a decision to treat another person in a way no one should be treated. There are often so many barriers to getting out of the situation, that it is a miracle how many women manage to do so."

LaVille said this isn't just a problem with American women. "In the Ames community, I saw many international women at the shelter. Many of them came from countries where this behavior was considered a part of marriage, or a husband's right. I will forever remember the courage and strength it took for those women to leave that situation because for many of them it meant they could never return to their country, or for some, it meant that they were dead to their families and communities at home."

Maggie Stone is the Coordinator of the Single Parent/Displaced Homemakers Center at the Boone Campus where she has worked for 18 years. She is a graduate of the University of Iowa with a B.S. in sociology. She worked for 12 years as a caseworker for the Iowa Department of



Maggie Stone

Human Services primarily in the areas of child protective services, foster care, and family counseling. She has worked with clients who have been in domestically violent situations for 30 years.

"I have dealt with many different situations in this position; certainly not all include domestic violence. When I do see abuse, it is often mental or verbal, but I have also seen a number of physical abuse situations. I have not seen any males that have been a victim of domestic violence."

She continued, "I have worked primarily in rural areas. Sometimes a victim feels quite isolated in a rural area simply because of the logistics and not having nearby family and/or services available. I believe that domestic violence causes considerable insecurity in children.

"It also seems to set the stage for the next generation of abused and abusers. Young girls grow up thinking that that is what to expect in a relationship, and young boys see that as the example of how to treat women. Not a good cycle."

She added, "My advice to young students is that even one instance of any kind of physical shoving, pushing, etc. should end the relationship. Don't wait around thinking it won't happen again. It will only escalate unless the abuser gets professional help to deal with it."

Heather A. Priess, MPA, is coordinator of the Story County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART). She has been a part of SART since September 2002. While there is an overlap between sexual assault and domestic violence, most of her work involves sexual assault. Out of the 50 to 60 cases to which SART responds each year, about five to 15 percent involve people currently or formerly in an intimate relationship which varies each year.

In individual cases, ISU police follow state guidelines and call out an ACCESS advocate from the rape crisis and domestic violence program. Several members of the department, including Priess, are involved with the Story County Coalition Against Domestic Violence, and several officers helped plan and attended a coalition conference on the topic that took place a few weeks ago. All officers have training on domestic violence.

Priess said that students need to be aware of the warning signs that they might be in a potentially dangerous relationship; to learn about the resources available for people who have been sexually or domestically abused.

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PBL helps collect for girls

Ashley Crouthamel
Banner Staff

Tragedy strikes families all the time—it's on television and in newspapers and magazines. In Boone, two young girls have faced tragedy this past month. Jasmine and Janessa Oldenburger's mother was diagnosed with cancer earlier this year and passed away the first of November. DMACC's Phi Beta Lambda chapter is sponsoring a fundraiser to help make their Christmas special this year.

Lori Johnson, PBL treasurer and cousin to the Oldenburgers, feels that this is a great opportunity for DMACC's entire campus to help make this a special Christmas for them. "I'm in hopes that everyone at DMACC can find it in their heart to donate to this special event," Johnson said. "The girls have been through major life changes in just a short amount of time, and this holiday season will be especially hard for them because of not having their mom with them.

"They now live with their aunt and uncle who are providing them with lots of love and support, along with any material things they need along the way. It's a big adjustment for the entire family, and I would like to see people from DMACC becoming involved and be recognized as a major part of giving

these two girls one of the best Christmases they've ever had!" she added.

Underneath the DMACC Christmas tree in the Courter Center, decorated by PBL, there are boxes for donations to be placed. Donations will be accepted until Friday, Dec. 10. They will be given to the girls on Saturday, Dec. 11. There is also a canister for money at the snack bar, which will be used to buy presents. Money can also be donated to Johnson or Linda Plueger, PBL adviser, Office 201.

"The girls love dolls and doll clothes, and they both love to read," Johnson said. So far, books have been donated along with backpacks filled with makeup and nail polish, as well as hair accessories. They are still looking for dolls, coloring books, crayons, and clothing items to be donated.

If there are any questions, Johnson will be glad to answer them. She can be reached by either email, pjohnson7@dmacc.edu, or by phone (515) 432-1474.

Jasmine's sizes: Pants, 14
Shirts, 12-14

Janessa's sizes: Pants, 7-8
Shirts, 10-12



Contributed photo

Megan Runge, Katherine Crouse, and Lori Johnson decorate the tree in the Courter Center. All are members of the local chapter of Phi Beta Lambda, the professional business fraternity on campus.

MPAA counts on colleges to end movie piracy

Breget Medley
JNAD 121 Student

The Motion Picture Association of America held a teleconference to get the word out to all colleges that there will be lawsuits brought against anyone who is charged with movie piracy.

Dan Glickman, CEO of MPAA, participated in a teleconference with select university journalists. The universities and colleges that participated were Iowa State University, Des Moines Area Community College, Harvard, Yale, Boston College, Ithaca College, and Loyola of Baltimore.

Following a press conference at the UCLA School of Theater, Film and Television, Glickman made a major announcement. "Lawsuits will be issued to those people that trade movies online. It wasn't an easy decision to make but our fear is with changing technology in the rapid natural of the broadband in the compression, it will be soon that movies can be downloaded at speeds equal to the movie industry and that can have a profoundly negative affect on the future of the film industry and film producers."

He continued, "This is not the only part of our strategy to lawsuits, we are also reaching out to college administrators, and educators. My own involvement in college university environment has lead me to believe that we must do a better job of talking with college students all over the country as well as elementary and secondary institutions to discuss this particular issue; how we stop piracy. The bottom line is as we have seen in the movie industry which suffered rather dramatically as a result of piracy. Piracy left unpunished has the great potential of really inhibiting a new works of art, particularly in the movie industry.

Spiderman II, which of course was a very significant movie in terms of its gross, was camcorded illegally. Camcorded is the way a lot of movies actually get reproduced and then get sent on the Internet. It was Camcorded illegally in three theaters at midnight screenings on its first day. By 4 a.m. that night, the copy was already on the internet. Within 48 hours pirated DVDs were made from those Internet copies and were surfacing with street vendors, store fronts in illegal DVD labs, not only in the United States but four other countries around the world.

Within 48 hours it was subtitled in three languages. Within two weeks of opening day, it was found in 15 countries on five continents and in very respectable form, that is, quality wise.

Eli Kaufman, Student Filmmaker, at the UCLA School of Theater, Film and Television, said, "From a film maker's perspective, regardless of your affiliation with studio or independent or amateur or beginner, there's a lot of hard work that goes into film making. We work very hard to do this work and we need to be respected and to be given the due compensation for that work. When people rip movies off from the Internet or where ever, it goes against the good natured spirit of the creative processing. That is the main thought that we want to get out to people."

Anybody breaking the law will be subject to the lawsuits. Glickman can't tell what the demographics are, but he suspects they are a little different than from movies than they are from music. Right now he didn't know that for a fact.

Simon Barsky, General Counsel, from MPAA said that the issue isn't demographics or identifying the infringer by name. "What we know is that we have

been able to capture a movie offered by an individual at a particular IP address, we know their screen name, if they have one, we know their date and time. Armed with this information we are going to be able to get that from the internet service provider (ISP) servicing that individual's account their name."

The issue about what their demographic qualities are is really irrelevant because anyone who traffics in a motion picture, even a single copy, whether old, young, healthy, lame, they leave it open for millions of perfect copies to be trafficked

around the world, instantaneously in perfect form. The damaged that can be done from that one copy, regardless of who it is that is doing it, is enormous and is something that has to be addressed. That's the nature of this program.

John Malcolm, Senior Vice President and Director of Worldwide Anti-Piracy Operations, of MPAA said, "Demograph-

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My 19 years of Black Knight, Ben Franklins, Happy Days & Wal-Mart

Megan Shadle
Banner Staff



My life in Boone for the past 19 years has seen Boone rise and literally almost fall. I was born in November of 1985 at Mary Greeley in Ames, which would begin my life in

Boone.

The first things I remember of Boone were of my house on Benton Street and going to daycare at New Horizons, across the street from the Ericson Public Library. From those first memories of my life in Boone I literally took for granted.

Not too long ago in Boone there was a prosperous community of clothing stores, ice cream shops, a Ben Franklin's and even a Pamida store, before there was even a Wal-Mart. There were family owned restaurants and businesses like the famous Black Knight restaurant and the well loved Hickory House by the fire station.

When I was little it was a real treat when my parents took me to Happy Days ice cream and let me get any flavor of ice cream I could imagine. Then we'd go to

McHose Park's Kiddie Corral and I'd get up in the tree house and I'd jump on the big metal tube that had two handle bars on either side and try to run on it without falling off. My dad once showed me how to run on it without falling off, but I never got a hang of it before the city took it out.

At the age of five, my parents decided that I needed to go to New Horizons Daycare and make friends that were my own age; from there on I made friends that are still loyal friends today. I'll always remember the field trips that we'd take during the summer at daycare. Once we went to Linwood cemetery to make crayon rubbings of headstones. My older cousin and I looked for almost an hour for our great aunt and uncle's grave but never found it to make a rubbing. The adults would always take us to the park on the side of the high school for water gun fights and bubble blowing contests.

I remember when I looked forward to going downtown to shop in Julie Anne's and eat actual food that didn't consist of McDonald's, at the Black Knight or the Hickory House. I'd have ice cream at Boyd's, a family owned ice cream place that was by Family Video on the east side. I also remember that almost every Sunday my grandparents would take my mom, dad, and me to the Hickory House and have a family supper all together. I

remember that the Hickory House had excellent food and I loved going there.

Later in life I went to Trinity Lutheran School in Boone, where I met some of the most influential people in my life. I learned there, the true meaning of friendship and what kids do on the weekends. My friends and I would ride our bikes all over Boone and make pit stops at Future Parking in west Boone, to look at all the weird gadgets they had. Once we even rode our bikes to Wal-Mart, and almost passed out from heat exhaustion, but we had fun even though we were still in Boone.

When my friends and I hit sixth grade, that's when the boy band craze hit Boone hard, almost like a hurricane. We all had our teeny-bopper magazines and cut-outs for all to see and swoon over with us. But it all came to a sudden halt when we entered eighth grade. That's when my friends and I would hang out and watch TRL together chanting rhythmically for Limp Bizkit or Eminem to be in the number one spot. The only things to do in Boone on the weekends during my middle school years was go to the movie theater in Boone and play on the internet, which will never get old. It wasn't until I hit high school, when I first realized that there was more to life than Boone.

In high school, I made new friends pretty quickly and learned that no one

usually stays in Boone on the weekends, unless there is a party, but my friends and I didn't go for the party life. We'd go to Ames, roam the mall and catch a dollar movie at the dollar theater. But slumber parties never became uncool no matter how old we got.

Always during Christmas break there would be Christmas and New Year's parties for us to hang out and just have fun, since everything in Boone seemed to close during Christmas break and soon disappear.

Not too long ago I realized that Boone had a pretty prosperous life while I was growing up here, with Ben Franklin's, Pamida, Randall's and even ice cream shops to keep the people busy. But now all that is gone. All that's left downtown is a movie theater, a nail salon, jewelry stores and a few family owned restaurants. Where has Boone gone? The Boone I remember was fun and even fun to brag about to other people while I was away at summer camp, but now there's almost nothing left.

So when people ask you where you grew up or what was Boone like while you were growing up, just answer 'It's Boone, there's nothing much else to say, except it used to have family owned businesses and even a coffee shop that sold awesome fudge, but now Wal-Mart has taken Boone over.'

Bridget Jones in print versus the big screen

Megan Shadle
Banner Staff

She's on TV, she's in the news and she's in all the magazine--she's the woman of the year. She's Bridget Jones or as some might know her as Renée Zellweger, or the feisty 'Ruby Thewes' from Cold Mountain or even the over imaginative 'Roxie Hart' from her leading role in Chicago.

The newest romantic comedy in the theaters today is "Bridget Jones's Diary: The Edge of Reason" an adaptation of the best selling novel by British author Helen Fielding, who also wrote Cause Celeb.

When one begins to read Bridget Jones, you have to realize this is a diary of a thirty-something woman looking for the right man while trying to quit smoking, drinking and lose weight on top of that. All of her diary entries consist of her writing down how much she weighs, how many cigarettes she's smoked and how many alcohol units she has consumed for that day.

"Bridget Jones's Diary: The Edge of Reason" begins exactly four weeks after she finds, who she thinks is mister right for her, Mark Darcy, played by the handsome Colin Firth. And it shows her journey through the life of rejection, prison, and even betrayal.

As the movie starts to progress, it goes along with the book almost word for

word, until she runs into her ex-boss, Daniel Cleaver played by the remarkable Hugh Grant, who now works for the same television station as her. As a faithful reader of the books, like I am, I realized that Daniel Cleaver doesn't show up in the second diary except for a small part, and through this I thought for a moment, maybe with Daniel Cleaver in the movie it will make it more interesting.

Towards the middle of the movie it starts to coincide with the book again, with the exception of Daniel Cleaver. But once again it strays from the book, when Bridget Jones and her friend take a trip to Bangkok, Thailand; in the book it clearly states that she went on a holiday trip not as the movie had it, a business trip with Daniel Cleaver. Also during those scenes in Thailand, Bridget was supposed to be put in prison for a few weeks, not a couple of days that was shown in the movie.

In the end, I finally told myself to enjoy Renée Zellweger as my all time favorite character, Bridget Jones and to stop comparing the movie to the book. All in all I enjoyed seeing one of my favorite books on the big screen and see my favorite actress portray the quirky Bridget Jones once again.

I recommend that you read the books first, which seem to read very quickly to me, then see the movies, and I will guarantee that you will laugh while

you are reading "Bridget Jones's Diary" and "Bridget Jones's Diary: The Edge of Reason," because both books are flat out hilarious and the movies are just as funny,

if not funnier.

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Behind the Desk

A final farewell to a Banner experience



Josh Hutt
Banner Staff

When a student picks up the Banner newspaper, all they see is headlines, articles, and epic photos, but there is a lot more to it than meets the eye.

I remember sitting a crossed from George Silberhorn's desk like it was yesterday. He asked me what I liked to do, and I simply responded with "I like to write." He then asked me if I wanted to join the school newspaper. I decided to give it a go. Four semesters and 27 issues later I can look back and honestly say I have no regrets.

From the time I stepped into room 219, I knew this wasn't going to be like any other classroom. Jan LaVille was the instructor of the class and at the time Ben Carstens was the Editor-in-Chief, which meant he was in charge of the newspaper. Although he seemed intimidating, Ben kept the newspaper running with wise-ass jokes and an occasional slap on the back. The two made quite the pair. They both were very encouraging to me despite my inexperience.

It was also Laura Griffins first semester. She started to help with layout and did above her call of duty. She would end up becoming the editor-in-chief the following semester.

The third semester featured James Joy as editor-in-chief. It was during this semester that Brandon Kleinke came along with his camera and backwards cap. He would pose as the comic relief of the staff with his "What the's" and ever mounting photography awards which he proudly pointed out each class period. Along with Laura we somehow created

an epic headline with the words Southern Comfort.

This last semester I took over the Editor-in-chief position. The position posed many stressful moments and at times I couldn't wait till the semester was over with. Between missed deadlines, missing students, and computers freezing up I am surprised I still have all the hair on my head. For keeping me sane, I award Robin the MVP of the Fall semester Banner Staff.

Despite the bumps in the road, when ever I see a copy of the Banner on the floor of a bathroom stall it makes it all worth it.

I will always have stories to tell when it comes to our class trips. From the Minnesota trip which featured a 21 year old comic book reading hotel roommate, who made strange noises in the bathroom, to the Washington D.C. trip which featured a pair of co-ed Ankeny Chronicle staffers who made noises of their own when the lights went out. The infamous St. Louis trip which featured a quest to find a Liquor store, a can of Stag being carried to my bed with Brandon laughing in the background.

The Banner has featured Qualms, a World According to D, Dates with Jess and the short lived Buckshot. My own stories ranged from sports, plays, construction and even a story about being in jail. My first issue covered a new dean and my last issue covered a retiring provost.

Physically all that remains of my legacy with the Banner is a scrapbook on my shelf, but what will always be with me is the memories of being apart of something special.

If there was one thing I would like to spread on to my fellow students it is peeing in the wind stinks, but if you turn around everything will go in the right direction.

Editorial

Avoid holiday madness

Tis' the season to be jolly- not stressed out, grouchy and broke. For six weeks, we run around throwing our years savings left and right. We leave one shopping center and head to the next. The time available to spend with family must be cut short for last minute Christmas shopping. And to add to this insanity, there is a little sign hanging in many stores which reminds us how many Saturdays we have left to shop before the unveiling of our efforts.

And the remainder of our Christmas break will be spent revisiting each of these stores to return the gifts that were given to us. This year, take another approach to the holiday madness.

Here are a few ideas to stop this cycle.

1- Limit the number of candles, ugly picture frames and candy canes received, make a deal with all of your friends. Instead of spending money on Christmas presents this year, spend time with them (something much more valuable). Host a Christmas dinner or invite everyone over to watch "It's a Wonderful Life" and decorate gingerbread cookies.

2- Your co-workers may not be the kind of people you want to spend an entire evening watching movies with. The only thing worse than the key chain your co-worker gave you is that you have nothing up your sleeve to give in return. Here is an easy way to avoid this uncomfortable situation and make a difference in the lives of someone in your community at the same time. Instead of presents for each other, propose a plan to use the money to buy a toy for the "Toys for Tots" organization or to buy non-perishable food to donate to the food pantry.

3- Depending on the size of your family, Christmas may pose a major problem for your bank account.

Simplify. Put the names of all of your family members in a hat and draw one. Now you have one present to put your thought and money in to. Another way to avoid using school loans on your family Christmas is to up the ante on Christmas stockings. Make an agreement with your family members to buy or make one or two small, meaningful items to put in their Christmas stockings.

And as if you haven't saved enough money in the last few paragraphs, here are a few ideas for making meaningful, wonderful Christmas presents for under \$10.

4- Make a compilation tape or cd (and you thought these died with the '90s). This is a great way to share your expertise on music and show how well you know the receiver of this gift. Decorate the cover with magazine clippings or pictures.

5- Shuffle through the piles of family pictures taken over the last 20 years. Find one that may have been forgotten and take it to a Kodak picture maker. Blow it up, change the tones, crop it and frame it.

6- Restore a piece of furniture. The Goodwill is full of treasures. Find a chair for \$3 dollars and sand it down. Paint it to match your mothers kitchen décor or paint it one solid color and shellac black and white family photos on it.

Robin Cazavilan
Banner Staff

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Predictions: Contrived for '05

Jason Moore
Banner Staff

•George W. Bush and Dick Cheney marry; it is revealed that their love child is an alien from Jupiter or something. Later divorced when Cheney confesses to being a transformer.

•Jealous that 2005 is now in power, 2004 unleashes dirty bombs on 2005.

•North Dakota secedes from the United States, no one seems to notice.

•Secretary of Homeland Security Tom Ridge is replaced by lovable Sesame Street puppet Elmo. "Bomb them with hugs!" quips Elmo.

•Bathing becomes wildly unpopular.

•John Kerry runs for president of his household. Loses to wife Teresa.

•Ralph Nader starts campaign for 2008, in hopes to win the purple states. When it's revealed to him that all the

states are either red or blue and that combined they make purple, Nader breaks down in tears.

•The new reality TV show "Help Me, My Bus Is on Fire!" fails miserably but does well among sadists.

•Martha Stewart is released from prison and releases her best selling book "Prison and You: How to make an 8 x 10 Cell Ultra Fabulous"

•Bridget Jones 3 is released. It's a 2 ½ hour montage of her granny underwear.

•Ozzy Osbourne urinates on two more national monuments for "Old times sake"

•George W. Bush nominates Henry Winkler AKA Fonzie, for Secretary of the Cool. Aaaaaaay.

•DMACC makes world news when Tom Brokaw, Peter Jennings, and Dan Rather now advise the DMACC Banner,

The Ankeny Chronicle, and the Urban Vibe. Dan Rather's paper is riddled with controversy after they printed fake finals test dates submitted by a shady student.

•Los Angeles feels the wrath of God and is sucked into the Pacific Ocean. No one seems to notice.

•Jesus Christ returns to Earth, sees what we've done with it and promptly returns to Heaven.

•Former Notre Dame coach Tyrone Willingham coaches the newly created DMACC Football team. DMACC History teacher Bruce Kelly to be appointed assistant coach.

•DMACC student and thespian, Liz Bennett, teams up with Jerry Bruckheimer and Bruce Willis in Dichard 4.

Letter to Editor

DMACC Students, Faculty & Staff

A huge 'Thank You' to all DMACC students, faculty, and staff who donated to our recent 'PBL Holiday Fundraiser' for Jasmine and Janessa Oldenburger.

We received several gifts in our 'donation boxes' under the Christmas tree, along with \$100 in cash donations which were used to purchase many more gifts. This very special event would not have been possible without your generosity and support.

Thank You Very Much and Happy Holidays to All of You!

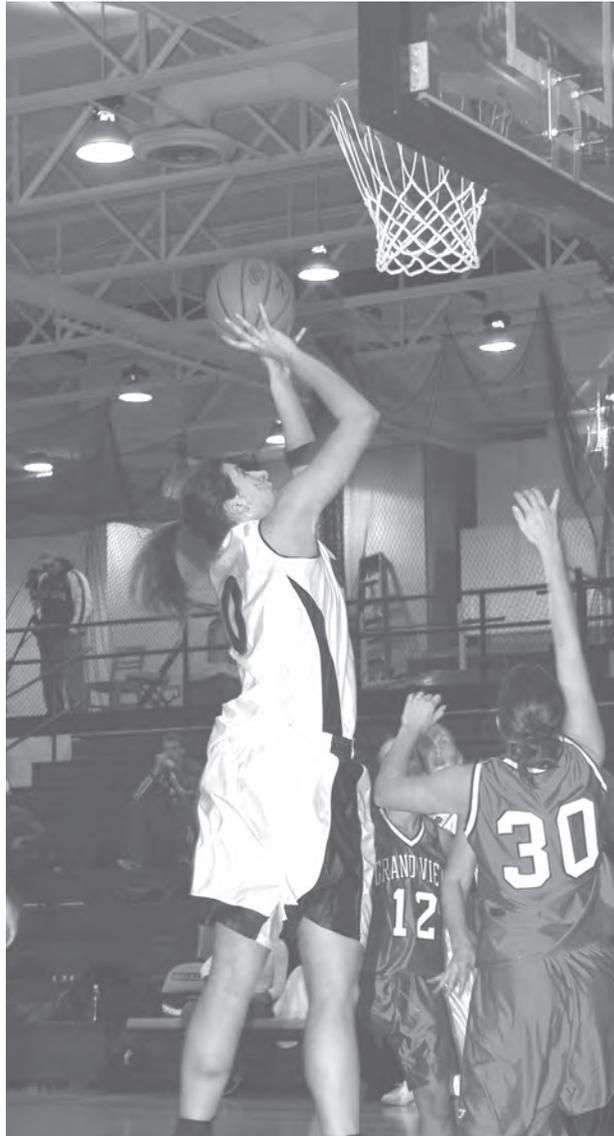
Linda Plueger and PBL Members

Bears sink the Vikings' ship



photos by Brandon Kleinke

Michelle Kumrow (top) back pedals on the court. Michelle Smith (right) goes up for an easy jumper.



Brandon Kleinke
Banner Staff

Katie Reihmann had 24 points all coming from 3-point land as the Bears trounced the Grandview Vikings Tuesday night 113-42, earning their eighth win this season.

In those eight games Coach Ben Conrad has had his Bears averaging 95.5 points per win and defeating teams by an average of 46.1 points per game.

Their latest victim, Grandview, managed to put up a bleak 13 points in the first half. The Bears managed seven players with double digits, Reihmann leading all scores with 24 points.

Grandview managed to break double digits as a team with 3:03 remaining in the first half, when point guard Kayla Brooks hit a mid-range jumper to put the score 48-10 DMACC. The Bears allowed only three more points the rest of the half while managing nine themselves. DMACC led at half 57-13.

While Reihmann hit six of her eight 3-pointers in the first half, freshman Ashley Martin added six of her own, scoring 18 points on the night. Michelle Smith cleaned up on the boards and scored 14 points, eight coming in the second half. She and Reihmann played some inside-outside game as she looked to dish out to Reihmann, camped beyond the 3-point arc.

Remember these events of 2004?

January

16--Michael Jackson appears in court and pleads not guilty with nine felony counts—seven for allegedly engaging in vulgar acts with a child under 14 and two with giving intoxicant to a child.
19--John Kerry wins Iowa caucuses with 38% of the vote, John Edwards in second, followed by Howard Dean in third, with his famous Iowa speech.
26--Computer virus affects millions of computers, called MyDoom or Norvag, infected about 1 in 12 email messages.

February

12--Gay couples marry in San Francisco after Mayor Gavin Newsom orders the city clerk's office to issue same-sex marriage licenses.
18--Howard Dean drops out of presidential

candidacy race.
22--Ralph Nadar announces he will run for president as an independent.
26--Investigation reveals thousands of priests abused children, reports of 10,667 children were abused by 4,392 priests between 1950 and 2002.

March

5--Martha Stewart found guilty on conviction of four counts of obstruction of justice, charges from her Dec. 2001 sale of shares of the stock ImClone.
9--John Muhammad sentenced to death for his role in the 2002 sniper shootings in Washington, D.C. area.
10--Muhammad's accomplice, Lee Malvo, is sentenced to life without parole.
11--San Francisco ordered to stop gay marriages.
15--NASA reports discovery of a distance object in our solar system that resembles a planet, called Sedna.

April

8-- National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice tells the committee that President Bush

was warned of suspicious activity by terrorist prior to 9/11.
25--Thousands rally in Washington, D.C. to protest Bush administrative policy on reproductive rights.

May

5-- Artist Pablo Picasso's Boy with a Pipe sold for a record price of \$104.1 million at a Sotheby's auction.
5--White House Administration requests an additional \$25 billion for the military budget.
26-- Oklahoma City bomber, Terry Nichols, found guilty on 161 counts of first degree murder and was convicted in federal court.

June

5-- President Ronald Reagan dies at 93, he suffered from Alzheimer's disease, he was the 40th president.
30-- Black and white photos from the Cassini spacecraft reveal details of Saturn's ice and rock rings.

July

4-- Construction begins at Ground Zero of the Freedom Tower.
6-- John Kerry announces John Edwards as presidential running mate.
16--Martha Stewart sentenced to five months in prison and fined \$300,000 after being found guilty on four counts of obstruction of justice and lying to federal investigators.

August

1-- Administration raises terror alert for financial institutions in New York City; Washington, D.C.; and Newark, New Jersey, are venerable.
3-- The Statue of Liberty reopens for the

first time since the Sept. 11 attacks, but tourists are not allowed to climb the crown for security reasons.
30-- Bush skeptical that U.S. will win the War on Terror, doubts that U.S. will ever be victorious.

September

1-- The Kobe Bryant rape case is dismissed since the accuser no longer cooperated.
7-- Former President Clinton undergoes quadruple coronary bypass surgery to clear four blocked arteries.

October

1-- The Washington volcano, Mount St. Helens, erupts after 20 years of inactivity in a small explosion of steam and ash.
5-- Half of the U.S.'s flu vaccinations were destroyed because its maker, Chiron Corp., had its manufacturing license suspended.
28--Skeletons of tiny people called Homo floresiensis, found by Australian and Indonesian archeologists, three-foot-tall people with long arms, heads the size of grapefruits, and have believed to have disappeared 13,000 years ago.

November

2--Bush reelected for second term after Kerry concedes to Bush.
2--Stem cell research approved in California with \$3 billion put aside for stem cell research over the next 10 years.
4 -- Elizabeth Edwards, Sen. John Edwards's wife, announces she will have treatment invasive ductal breast cancer.

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The Other Side of the Courter by Jason Moore

What do you consider the most significant moment of 2004?



**Jeff Doran
Ames**

“The unexpected emergence of religious America in this year’s election.”



**Cale Smith
Boone**

“I got seven tattoos.”



**Jenna Jones
Boone**

“When the Boston Red Sox won the World Series.”



**Kristen Sampson
Jefferson**

“I met the best friends I’ve ever had.”



Movie piracy

From page 4

in trying to enforce their own rules. Most universities have their own rules on illegal use of broadband and other Internet capabilities. For example, UCLA has taken the initiative to penalize students who take advantage illegally. Many major private and public universities are involved in this effort.

Jim Spertua, Vice President and Director U.S. Anti-piracy Operations, from MPAA said, “Most universities have policies that prohibit file swapping that’s occurring on campus. What the universities are doing is coming up with creative ways to communicate those policies to students in plain English.

Rosen continued, “What is so amazing it seems to me is that in the period of the spring of 2004 to the present, there has been no repeats, that the messages got through, that there was a learning process that went on, and that message was also conveyed to other people in the dorms as well.”

Rosen thought that this was a good step in the right direction for several reasons. It provided a learning experience for people who may not have been aware that they were engaging in activities that were illegal, it gave them the opportunity to rectify that, and it didn’t interfere with the privacy rights of the students. It was a good and effective step to take in that direction.

The teleconference ended on the hope

ics tend to be younger people but there’re certainly tech savvy people that are engaging in this conduct in all age ranges.

Barsky adds, “When you are illegally trafficking movies on the Internet, you’re not anonymous. You’re leaving a trail. We are basically following that trail back to the individual, whose computers were used to engage in this illegal trafficking.”

There are legal ways to watch movies on the Internet. Cinema Now and Movie Beams are legal alternatives. In time, more will be developed and will be more convenient to use and they will be reasonably priced.

By enforcing the law, and making people aware that this is an illegal activity, it is the hope that the amount of activity will end or be reduced, and that people will see this as theft and people will not participate in it.

MPAA will be working with universities and to make sure that they participate

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