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A young woman grabs a rebound during the 12th annual Wild Wild West Basketball Tournament held July 30 on the DMACC West Campus. A total of 76 teams participated in the day-long tournament with proceeds going to the DMACC Foundation for student scholarships.

Using his height advantage and left-handed dribbling skills, a player drives toward the goal in the 3-on-3 basketball tournament held at the DMACC West Campus.
With her eyes looking down the court for an open teammate, a player drives on her opponent.

Eight-year-old Ava Signs of Des Moines climbs the U.S. Army's Rock Climbing Wall barefoot at the 3-on-3 Wild Wild West annual basketball tournament at the DMACC West Campus. She will be a third-grader at Jefferson Elementary School in Des Moines this fall.
Eight-year-old Hudson Shull of Adel catches a blue gill at the 12th annual 3-on-3 Wild Wild West annual basketball tournament at the DMACC West Campus. Hudson, the son of Josh and Kelly Shull of Adel, will be a third-grader at Adel Elementary school this fall.

Hotdogs and hamburgers were grilled on-site at the 3-on-3 Wild Wild West Basketball tournament.
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DMACC Electronics/Information Technology Professor Bryan Burkhardt (left) helps 11-year-old Ryan Trujillo of Altoona and 11-year-old Ian Sharp of Urbandale attach a parachute onto the payload as they prepare to launch a helium weather balloon at Big Creek State Park. Trujillo, a sixth grader at Southeast Polk Middle School, and Sharp, a sixth grader at Urbandale Middle School, were attending a five-day Near Space STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Camp on the DMACC Ankeny Campus. The students successfully launched the weather balloon to the edges of space, tracked its journey via multiple GoPro cameras, and then recovered the payload from a soybean field three hours after liftoff. The DMACC Near Space Camp was supported by the National Science Foundation under a grant.

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DMACC Near Space STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Camp attendees 11-year-old Ryan Trujillo (left to right) of Altoona, 13-year-old Ashton White of Carlisle, 12-year-old Mason McCown of Des Moines, and 10-year-old Kara Hagedorn inspect the payload of a helium balloon that had just captured photos from the edge of space at 97,000 feet (18 miles) and was then found undamaged in a soybean field three hours of launch. The sixth- through ninth-graders at the five-day camp prepared, launched, tracked, recovered and analyzed the weather balloon.

The GoPro cameras on the helium balloon launched by the DMACC Near Space STEM Camp students captures the curvature of the earth as it nears its height of 97,000 feet above the earth’s surface.
The helium balloon launched by the DMACC Near Space STEM Camp attendees burst at a height of 97,033 feet (18.38 miles).

The payload from the helium balloon descends after bursting at 97,000 feet above the earth. Thanks to a GPS tracking device, the payload was found in a soybean field by the Near Space Camp attendees about three hours after the balloon was launched.
Lily Hammer (left) of Beaver and Claire Smith of rural Boone were the lead interviewers as the class sat down and interviewed gymnast Rachel Gowey, who just missed being on the U.S. Olympics gymnastic team. Gowey, who trains at the Chow Gymnastics and Dance studios, had just completed her first workout of the day.

DMACC Boone Campus Journalism Camp attendees toured the Chow Gymnastics and Dance studios in West Des Moines as part of the week-long event. The campers toured the facility where U.S. Olympians Shawn Johnson and Gabby Douglas trained. Those who toured the facility included (front row, left to right) Fernando Macias, 11, of Marshalltown; Quintin LaVille, 11, of Beaverton, OR; Amelia Schroeder, 10, of Boone; Claire Smith, 13, of rural Boone; and Anna Olson, 15, of Boone; (back row, left to right): Instructor Julie Roosa; Mason Baber, 13 of Boone; Kole Knutson, 13, of Story City; Lily Hammer, 14, of Beaver; and Instructor Jan LaVille.

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Following the interview, Gowey warmed up with some basic handstands, stretches and back flips. Gowey received a gymnastics scholarship and will be a freshman at the University of Florida this fall.
MOPAR CAP GRADUATION

Recent DMACC graduates of the 14th MOPAR Career Automotive Program include (left to right) Cody Wynn of Albia, Adam Doll of Adel, Jacob Skinner of Indianola, Doug Biehn of Boone, and Matthew Hill of Clive. All five have been employed full-time as automotive technicians by their sponsoring dealerships. DMACC has established a partnership with Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA) to provide entry-level training for FCA dealership technicians. MOPAR is the parts, service and customer care organization within FCA. The name derives from a combination of letters from the words MOtor and PARts.

JOB OPENINGS

Aquatics Director, Ankeny Campus
Review Date: Aug. 21, 2016

Health and Wellness Director, Ankeny Campus
Review Date: Aug. 21, 2016

Member Engagement Director, Ankeny Campus
Review Date: Aug. 21, 2016

Library Specialist, Circulation Lead, Ankeny Campus, Mon.-Fri.: 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Review Date: Aug. 21, 2016

Mechanical/Electrical Technician, Ankeny Campus
Review Date: Aug. 21, 2016

If interested in the above positions, please visit the DMACC website at http://jobs.dmacc.edu
SUMMER JOB EXPO AT SOUTHRIDGE

DMACC Nursing Assistant student Megan Christensen of Adel visits with UnityPoint Health Recruiter Talia Dodge and UnityPoint Health Human Resources Business Partner Natalie McNaught at a Summer Job Expo recently held at the DMACC Southridge Center.

DMACC Administrative Support student Nicole Udorvich of Madrid visits with Wells Fargo Talent Acquisition Recruiter Kim Deskin at a Summer Job Expo recently held at the DMACC Southridge Center.
THANK YOU

My family and I were so touched by your sympathy, kind words, and generous remembrance to honor my husband, Ron. We appreciate your thoughtfulness to us at this difficult time, and all the support from DMACC family and friends. Thank you.

Debbie Odgaard

PIONEER CONNECTION

JULY MEETING: We welcomed Art Brown, Academic Dean of Health & Public Services, who gave us an update on these popular programs. Art shared his colorful job history and how he came to DMACC. The Health & Public Services department is fortunate to have Art here in Iowa and we trust he has found a home here, like so many of us who served so many years at the college.

We also had an election of officers and the slate was unanimously approved. Your Pioneer Board of Directors for 2016-17 are:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS
Carroll Bennett: President
Jan LaVille: Vice President
Warren Pitcher: Treasurer
Marcia Johnson: Secretary
Shirley Muelenthaler: Past President

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Breck Danner: Liaison
Dee Johnson: Communications
Linda Fernandez: Membership
Mike Perry: Student Assistance
Dana Zeiser: Hospitality

PROGRAMS? We have most of them all set for the year so all you need to do is follow-up. Fund Raising? You don’t have to sell candy bars door to door. Just do a little arm-twisting and creative thinking.

DMACC Liaison Breck Danner

As you can see, we still need a couple of willing people to step up to help direct the group (herd cats). The time commitment is small (tiny) compared to the rewards you will receive from working with this great group of Pioneers.
PIioneer Connection (cont.)

SEPTEMBER KICKOFF
4:30 p.m.
FFA Enrichment Center, Room 107
The Annual Pioneer Kickoff is the most highly attended meeting of the year. Please plan to join us as we celebrate. Sharing the latest DMACC news will be Pioneer President Carroll Bennett; Foundation Executive Director Tara Connolly, and DMACC President Rob Denson.

Reservations: Email pioneers@dmacc.edu or call 964-6868 by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, August 24.
Catered by Smokey D's. Guests welcome.

Please bring non-perishable snack items for our DMACC PAMELA'S FOOD PANTRY. Please consider joining your DMACC friends at a Pioneer meeting. You will reconnect with many people you have known for many years.

Respectfully, Dee Johnson
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