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U of I student arrested in anti-Iraq war protest speaks to writing class

Julianne Hamil
Business Manager

Ryan Merz spoke to Sam Pritchard’s English classes on April 2 about his recent arrest at Sen. Charles Grassley’s office in Cedar Rapids. Merz, a University of Iowa student and active member of U I’s Antiwar Committee, spoke of his commitment to stopping Grassley’s continued funding for war campaigns.

The Antiwar committee had contacted Grassley’s office in person and with written request to talk to the senator about their concerns. After constant denial, the committee chose to use civil disobedience tactics to be heard by Sen. Grassley.

On Feb. 26, eleven protestors, including Frank Cordaro, a Catholic priest, and Joshua Casteel, the Iraq War Veteran who received Grassley’s 1998 nomination to attend the prestigious West Point Academy; Cordaro, Casteel, eight UI students and one other Iowa City resident, entered Grassley’s office late Monday and said they wouldn’t leave the building unless Grassley communicated with them via telephone.

Grassley was traveling to Washington at the time and declined to meet the demands of the protestors.

U.S. Marshals overseeing the complex notified Cedar Rapids police. Shortly after 5 p.m. the 11 were arrested and transported to the Linn County Jail where they stayed the night.

Merz said, “This was one moment in my life when I felt the most power, I was spiritually justified.”

According to Pritchard, “The group acted in accordance with the fundamental tenets of civil disobedience as outlined by Gandhi and [Martin Luther] King.”

The protest was organized by Voices for Creative Nonviolence and other peace groups. Protesters saw similar treatment at Grassley’s office in Des Moines.

In a press release, representatives for Grassley’s office said, “The state offices do not handle policy questions.”

Nationwide there were 50 arrests related to anti-war protests on Feb. 26. More than 300 people have been arrested for protest related offences since then.

“Almost always I am inspired by those who have the courage to act on their convictions,” said Pritchard, “and I especially appreciate the idealism of youth.”

National Alcohol Screening Day

Jessi Hackler
Staff Writer

For National Alcohol Screening Day on April 5, Sashya Comito, the Boone County Coordinator of Community and Family Resources, contacted surveys of DMACC students to gather data about alcohol consumption among college students.

According to the Adult Outpatient Treatment Programs for Alcohol and Drug Dependencies, alcohol and drug abuse are the third leading killers in this country.

Substance abuse appears so high on the list because of health problems caused by abuse and the increased accident rate and greater chance of risky behavior associated with substance abuse.

“I’m trying to educate. It’s kind of more of a prevention endeavor more than anything else,” said Comito.

“If you are going down a slope backwards, you don’t realize you have a problem until you slide off the edge of the cliff,” said Comito.

A pamphlet provided at the screening stated that the causes of alcohol or drug addiction aren’t known.

What is known is that alcohol and drugs affect brain chemistry, which can cause inappropriate behavior and poor decision-making.

Genetics may be a factor in substance abuse. “If someone is experiencing problems I’m hoping they would be receptive and ask for help,” said Comito.

Adult Outpatient Treatment Programs can help people recover from addictions and offer alternatives to drugs and alcohol for living a healthy, balanced life.

Community and Family Resources offer services including evaluation and assessment of individual problems, counseling and support. CFR can also refer individuals to other community agencies for help.

“I got about 45 screenings in steals with 99. I would have traded this award for another win or two,” said Burns.

Burns named Best Small Man at nationals

Grant Burns, a first-year player from Prairie City-Monroe High School, was recently given the Jack Cistriano Award which is given to the best small man at the National Junior College Athletic Association Division II National Championships in Danville, Illinois.

Burns, a 5’ 9” point guard, led the Bears to an eighth place finish in the tournament while averaging 12 points, nine assists, and two steals per game.

“This was a good honor, but I would have traded this award for another win or two,” said Burns.

Burns had an outstanding freshman season. He helped lead the DMACC Bears to a 31 win season, which tied a school record. Individually, Burns broke a 29 year old record by dishing out 271 assists, shattering the previous record of 234 assists. He also broke the school record in steals with 99.

Other honors included Iowa Community College Athletic Conference Scholar Athlete of the Week during the week of March 1 through 7; he was named Second Team All-Conference and was named the Most Valuable Player in the Region XI Tournament.
scientists are highly confident of global warming and said February focused on the cause Earth; the panel’s report in warming is changing life on scientists. The new document on Climate Change, a United greenhouse gas emissions. that nations must cut back on brokered in a fierce, around-the-preventable future is a toned- change panel that issued the may have saved the day, according to some scientists who said the report had appeared doomed over that issue. Then it was the U.S. delegation who stood with scientists and helped reach compromise, said Stanford University scientist Stephen Schneider, a frequent critic of the Bush administration’s global warming policies. British scientist Neil Adger said he and others were disappointed that government officials deleted parts of a chart that highlights the devastating effects of climate change with every rise of 1.8 degrees in temperature. Some scientists bitterly vowed never to take part in the process again. Still, Adger and other scientists and even environmental groups hailed the final report as the strongest ever."This is a glimpse into an apocalyptic future," the Greenpeace environmental group said of the final report. The tone of the report is urgent, noting those who can afford the least get hit the most by global warming. "Don’t be poor in a hot country, don’t live in hurricane alley, watch out about being on the coasts or in the Arctic, and it’s a bad idea to be on high mountains with glaciers melting," said Schneider, the Stanford scientist who was one of the study author’s. Africa by 2030 is looking under a U.S.-proposed compromise, the final report deleted any mention of the level of confidence about global warming’s current effects. And that may have saved the day, according to some scientists who said the report had appeared doomed over that issue. Then it was the U.S. delegation who stood with scientists and helped reach compromise, said Stanford University scientist Stephen Schneider, a frequent critic of the Bush administration’s global warming policies. British scientist Neil Adger said he and others were disappointed that government officials deleted parts of a chart that highlights the devastating effects of climate change with every rise of 1.8 degrees in temperature. Some scientists bitterly vowed never to take part in the process again. Still, Adger and other scientists and even environmental groups hailed the final report as the strongest ever."This is a glimpse into an apocalyptic future," the Greenpeace environmental group said of the final report. The tone of the report is urgent, noting those who can afford the least get hit the most by global warming. "Don’t be poor in a hot country, don’t live in hurricane alley, watch out about being on the coasts or in the Arctic, and it’s a bad idea to be on high mountains with glaciers melting," said Schneider, the Stanford scientist who was one of the study author’s. Africa by 2030 is looking under a U.S.-proposed compromise, the final report deleted any mention of the level of confidence about global warming’s current effects. And that may have saved the day, according to some scientists who said the report had appeared doomed over that issue. Then it was the U.S. delegation who stood with scientists and helped reach compromise, said Stanford University scientist Stephen Schneider, a frequent critic of the Bush administration’s global warming policies. British scientist Neil Adger said he and others were disappointed that government officials deleted parts of a chart that highlights the devastating effects of climate change with
**Final Exam Schedule**

**Spring 2007**

Des Moines Area Community College

All instructors in all programs are required to follow this schedule. Any deviations should be approved through the appropriate dean or provost. Instructors should consult the dean or provost if their courses do not appear to be included in this schedule.

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**Jokes:**

Q: How can you tell when a fax had been sent from a blonde?
A: There is a stamp on it.

The British had an organization that Americans are now considering adopting. It seems that in England, they had a men’s club, Bachelors’ Anonymous. It was highly successful in making men fear or even hate marriage. The club provided a unique way to treat the problem of bachelors wanting to marry. They send over a mother-in-law in nightgown, hair curlers, and a mud pack.

Did you know that heaven and hell are actually right next to each other? They are separated by a big chain-link fence. Well, one day hell was having a big party and it got a little out of hand. God heard the ruckus and arrived to find his fence completely smashed by the wild partiers. He called the devil over and said “Look, Satan, you have to rebuild this fence.” Satan agreed. The next day God noticed that the devil had completely rebuilt the fence...but it was 2 feet further into heaven than before.

“Satan!” beckoned God. “You have to take that fence down and put it back where it belongs!”

“Yeah? What if I don’t?” replied the devil.

“I’ll sue you if I have to,” answered God.

“Well, said the gatekeeper. ‘That is a very minor sin. You may enter.’

A famous professor of surgery died and went to heaven. At the pearly gate he was asked by the gatekeeper: ‘Have you ever committed a sin you truly regret?’

“Yes,” the professor answered. ‘When I was a young candidate at the hospital of Saint Lucas, we played soccer against at team from the Community Hospital, and I scored a goal, which was off-side. But the referee did not see it so, and the goal won us the match. I regret that now.’

**A Nickel’s Worth of Free Advice:**

Actually, the world revolves around the sun, not you.

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**WORD FIND**

- L D S T T F H B B N
- L I N O I E O R I
- E U V A E N A N A K
- U S N E H G D E I S
- G N M G R E A K N E
- N I M C S R I G E L
- O E R E D D A L B C
- T V A H N N O S E S
- T R A E H F O O T U
- S E Y E S P I N E M

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**SUDOKU**

DIFFICULTY: EASY

Answer to this week’s puzzle:

To play Sudoku, enter the digits 1-9 in each cell of the 9x9 grid until every region (3x3 grid, row, and column) contains only one appearance of each digit.

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**The Top 10 Bad Response For Guys To Give To The “How Do I Look” Question**

1. “That’s a great outfit honey but Halloween was 6 weeks ago.”
2. “I ain’t seen a caboose that big since Amtrak left town.”
3. “Uh-uh, the last time I answered that question, I went temporarily blind.”
4. “Ssshhh, the games on right now...go look in the mirror, that’s what its there for!!”
5. “Oh man, I’m gonna lose my lunch.”
6. “Like someone in dire need for some liposuction.”
7. “Like the girl I was with yesterday.”
8. “Like someone in dire need for some liposuction.”
9. “Well, if I close my eyes, just like my previous, prettier girlfriend.”
10. “How can I put this...MOOOOOOOOOOOO!!!!”

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**Joe’s World**

BY EDEN HINRICHS

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**Courter Center Study Guide**

Boone Campus

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Have you ever purposely broken a law because you thought the law was wrong?

Yes. I drank yesterday. I think the drinking age should be lower.

I run stop signs all the time. And I run stop lights when it’s late at night and no one is around.

I don’t think pedestrians should have the right away. They just walk right in front of cars without looking!

For 30 years I’ve been driving without a seat belt. I can’t safely drive strapped to the seat. I even have a clean accident record.

-Ronnie Fiedler  -Vanessa Brayton  -Niki Carlson  -Anonymous

Reporting by Mary Elizabeth Drahos  Photos by Eden Hinrichs
May term and summer classes available on Boone campus

Liz Jay  
Banner Staff Writer

With graduation approaching some students may find they need more credits. The perfect way to gain those extra credits is to sign up for May or summer term classes.

May term classes start on May 7 and end on May 18. Some of the classes offered include Intro to Computers, Intro to Sociology, and Introduction to Psychology. The classes take place on Mon. - Fri. and are about four hours long. A complete list of these classes can be found on page 35 of the credit schedule or at dmacc.edu.

Summer term classes are more condensed and can be more effective due to the shortened time period. Most of these classes start on May 29 and end on Aug. 8. There are many different classes available and can be found in the credit schedule.

Online classes are also very popular in the summer. “People are signing up. Some online classes are already closed,” said Rita Davenport. However, students need to be aware that just because the classes are online, they won’t be easier. Students have to be committed to doing their work and understand that deadlines are enforced.

Another type of class offered are television classes. This type enables the student to stay at home and learn during the specified viewing schedule. After signing up, a packet including the syllabus, viewing schedule, and Distance Learning Program Student Handbook will be mailed to the student to use. More information is listed on page 13 of the credit schedule.

Students should check online or pick up a credit schedule on campus to find a complete list of classes that are available. Registration for summer classes is in progress. “With great honor, I declare!”

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Death of Jive

Jessi Hackler

Music used to flow free through these veins
But be quick, Music's break is up at noon
Music might take you back to the 60's and
You won't find music around here
Now music works a 9 to 5er in the warehouse
Music used to flow free through these veins
Jessi Hackler

Golf is a sport?
Eden Hinrichs
Banner Staff Writer

I am in no way familiar with the game of golf so this was a new experience for me.

I walked onto the golf course wearing a pair of shorts and a polo shirt, as required by the club's dress code. For a denim enthusiast, like myself, this was about the worst possible start to the day.

I decided to sit out the entire game for the simple fact that I am in no way familiar with the game of golf so this was a gross jive.

As the game began my aunt

As we finished our outing,

As the leaves danced in a hypnotic breeze
Music used to live here where you stand now
Music used to flow free through these veins
Jessi Hackler

Cute khakis:
$25
Rubber-banded shirt: $0
Making more tips for wearing tight pants: PRICELESS

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HOROSCOPES

Aries (March 21-April 19) – When everything you touch turns to gold only then can you spend all the money you make. For now try staying out of touch with your savings.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Waiting until all the pertinent information comes forward will assure the right decision is made.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) – A controversy about what is or isn’t a big deal arises late in the week. Remember what’s big to you might not be to another.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) – Put in the extra effort this week, check your syllabus and finish all upcoming assignments. This will help balance your attempt at a 4.0 and give you the free time you expect.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) – Overspending will leave you over wanting for the rest of the month. Make a list and buy according to what you need; the wants can come later.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) – It’s time to create a self improvement plan. You only get one body, it’s time to care what you put in it and what you do with it. The warmth of the sun will inspire you!

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) – Consider yourself a sponge that is soaking up all the information you are faced with throughout the day. Concentrate on learning and your brain will do the rest.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 22) - Adventure is on your mind and driving you to dream. Think, then plan ahead and everything you expect is everything you will get!

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) – You have to give to receive and one door must shut for another to open. As this semester ends focus on what door you would like to open and it will.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) – The ability to inspire gives you a chance to mold your friends and family to your will. Remember your inspired thoughts should benefit you and them.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) – Only one month before summer break, it’s time to focus on making money! Pick the job you want now before you suffer with what’s available.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Keep your pants on! The only true side affects to sex are empty promises, STD’s (STI’s) and babies. Guys only want what they can’t have!

Editor’s Note: The following message was found posted on the bulletin board in the north stairwell. There was no identifying information accompanying the message. If anyone has information about the author or intention of this message, please contact the Banner staff at (515) 433-5092 or tslarson@dmacc.edu

REPUBLICANS!

When we proudly and honorably served in our American military uniforms some decades ago, we were taught never to debate people who believe one political party should rule any nation—we were taught to shoot the Commie bastards!

~Paul Revere in Boone