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Computers available this weekend

Boone Campus-- On Friday May 3 from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday May 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. computer rooms 215 and 218 will be open for the students use.

Graduation next Friday for Boone

Boone Campus-- Friday May 10 at 7:30 a.m. in the Courter Center there will be a free breakfast for all the graduates and their families. Graduation will be held in the gym at 10 a.m. Immediately following graduation there will be a reception in the Courter Center.

Summer classes begin May 22

Boone Campus-- The summer semester will begin May 22. Some of the intensive studies are May 13 through May 21.

Fall registration begins in July

Boone Campus-- The fall semester will begin on August 28 and will finish on December 18. Registration will begin in July, and students will be contacted in June concerning registration.

Talk Back

What is the most exciting thing that you plan to do this summer?

The same thing that I did last summer--classes.



Mike Gibson
Jefferson

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"The Voice of Boone Campus"

Scholarships still available

Supporting student needs

Angela Cherryholmes
Bear Facts Staff Writer

The high cost of a college education is the down-side of earning a college degree. That is why it is crucial that students understand what financial support exists at the institution they are attending.

Here at DMACC scholarships are available through the DMACC Boone Campus Foundation. The three primary factors in receiving a scholarship are in this order: academic performance, financial need, and if someone is working to support themselves while they are in school.

The Foundation Board was developed several years ago to aid students financially. The Foundation Board consists of eleven Boone community members and five DMACC employees.

The Foundation's main goal is to fund students to achieve a college education. Through the years the amount of scholarship money has increased because of more donations and wise investing on the part of the Foundation.

Though the application for the Foundation scholarship is labeled Boone Campus Foundation scholarship it is misleading to students applying for assistance. Students are oblivious of their financial contributors. There are numerous contributors to the Foundation scholarships. Various clubs, organizations, and individuals within Boone donate money. Each one however, has set certain qualifications and guidelines that the recipient must fall under. The qualifications could be your gender, GPA, or financial need.

It is never too late to apply for the Foundation scholarships. There is no immediate deadline. They are still accepting applications for the summer semester. For this last fiscal year the average amount awarded to students was \$350 for the year.

During the last fiscal year over 250 applications have been turned in and less than half were granted assistance. Because of the enormous responsibility of gathering and organizing these scholarships through the years, a scholarship committee was formed to assist the decision making process.

Members of the scholarship committee representing the Boone Campus are Rich Finnestad, DMACC Boone Campus counselor, Harold Johnson, DMACC Boone Campus instructor, and Lois Lehmkuhl and Bruce Conlin designated by the Foundation Board. The scholarship committee meets at least 6 times during a fiscal year to determine recipients.

Johnson feels the committee is accurate and fair when determining which students should receive what assistance. Johnson stressed the importance of properly filling out the scholarship application and including at least 3 letters of recommendation. "We (the committee) look at the recommendation letters closely and at the amount of work time," said Johnson.

Finnestad's position on the scholarship committee is to aid students with filling out the application properly and organizing the applicants in a simpler way for the committee to make decisions. Finnestad stressed the main theme emphasis expressed by the Foundation is to assist students to

meet their financial obligations.

"It's gratifying to see students helped by the Foundation," said Finnestad. However, there have been circumstances which students have received financial assistance and either failed the class or "stopped out." These stories are small in comparison to the good ones.

Newly appointed DMACC Boone Campus Foundation President John Peterson says,

"The Foundation is critical. The Foundation provides funding to students, without the funding there are many students that could not attend college." When people contribute to the Foundation they are essentially supporting the community. Peterson hopes that eventually DMACC Boone Campus students will become employed in the immediate area. "DMACC is very important to the community, and the community appreciates the students," concluded Peterson.



Harold Johnson, DMACC biology instructor, was recently honored by many friends and family at a retirement reception held on the Boone Campus.



Photo by Julie Ann Cronin

Griffiths to resign...

Moving to Winter Park

Samantha Hutcheson
Bear Facts Staff Writer

Martha Griffiths can be seen walking in the halls, teaching a class, sitting in her office or sitting in a meeting of some sort, but not after August 2.

Griffiths, who has worked at DMACC for seven years, is resigning at the end of the summer semester to move to Winter Park, Colorado with her husband, to open a bakery/doughnut shop called "The Cookie Jar."

Griffiths is the new owner of the shop and will be selling cookies, muffins, cakes, desserts, coffee, hot chocolate and ice cream, along with many other food items. They will also have a small catering service out the "The Cookie Jar."

Griffiths says that she'll miss the companionship of her co-workers, the interaction with the students, the positive responses from everyone and the variety in the day to day work the most.

Martha has been involved in many activities while she's been here. The list includes the Creative Writers Group, QWL subcommittee, coordinating the dinner for the dinner theater last year, the study committee for student retention and the text book selection committee.

During the seven years of teaching at DMACC, she has taught ten different classes. Composition I and II, Intro. to Lit., Children's Lit., Communication Skills, Business and Tech. Writing, Library Instruction, Woman's Lit., Business

English, and Correspondence Technology.

"I'm going to miss teaching Children's Lit. the most. I love it because I think it's important to introduce literature to children," said Griffiths.

The only highlight of her career she could think of is having students that have graduated, come back just to visit with her and tell her how they are doing. The funniest experience on her list of things was when she another instructor where laughing outside of Dean Philips office and he thought that they were very stressed.

While in Colorado, Griffiths plans to find time to do some writing. She and Ann Watts have thought of writing cookie cutter stories and selling them in the shop.

Griffiths says "I'm not retiring. I'm just having a career change. I don't think of retiring for another fifteen to twenty years."

She also says that she's going to have a hard time adjusting to the 9,100 feet elevation, and she's not going to have any time for skiing due the fact

Honors banquet next Thursday

The Honors Banquet will be held on May 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the Tic-Toc in downtown Boone.

Some of the honors that students receive are for such things as a high GPA or being recommended by faculty for an award.

Lee McNair, banquet organizer, said, "I felt that it should be as nice as possible," when questioned why its being held at the Tic-Toc rather in the Courter Center. He preferred that students be served on conventional tableware, rather than use paper and plastic.

Honorees will receive a letter of invitation and will need to RSVP to Sandi Johnson in the Main Office.

The fee is \$8 per person, and there will be a choice of 5 meals.

that's the busiest season for the store.

Martha encourages everyone to come see her and her husband in Winter Park. They are planning on buying a three bedroom town house and will have more than enough room for visitors. She also has a special going on for any one who comes and visits after July 1, 1996 and goes to the The Cookie Jar.

If you can answer the following questions, you will get a free cookie from her store. The questions are as follows:

1. What is Ann Watts maiden name?
2. What department was her father in at ISU?
3. What was Jim Bittner's high school's athletics team name?
4. What is Bob Taylor's first name? (It's not Bob.)
5. What's Jan LaVille's middle name and who is she named after?

The Cookie Jar is located at the Copper Creek Shopping Center in Winter Park, Colorado. "It's a small enough town, so it's easy to find. Come on over and see us sometime!" said Griffiths.

Spring book buy-back list

The bookstore buy back will be held on Friday, May 3 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Monday, May 6 through Wednesday, May 8 from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Thursday, May 9 -from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; and Friday, May 10 -from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

The bookstore generally pays 60% of the new book price for the title and quantities listed below. For titles not listed and quantities that exceed the amount bought back, a wholesaler will purchase some of those books.

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Fox	Hunn Physiology Artpak	10	\$42
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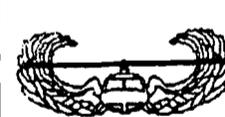
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Talk Back

What's the most exciting thing you plan to do this summer?



Visit friends in New York and kick it.

Ernestus Drake
Springfield, Illinois

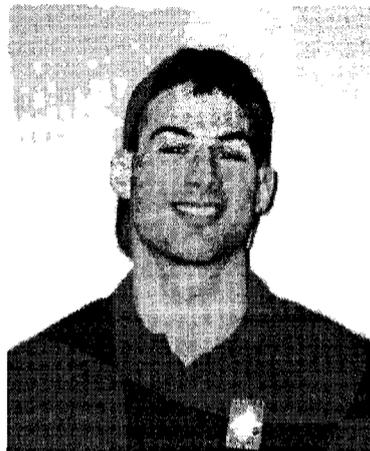


Get married to Jay Bohm on August 17 in Fort Dodge.

Heather Crandell Paton

Go to California for vacation or to basketball camps in Memphis and Tulsa.

Tim Knecht
Floyds Knobs, Indiana



Vittles with Vern and Virginia

Vern and Virginia made a culinary trip to the land of Ghandi and the Taj Mahal recently when they ate at "Taste of India" at 2416 Lincoln Way in Ames. It was totally new territory, as neither of us ever tasted Indian food before. We can say without reservation that what you hear about lots of curry in their cuisine is very, very true! The spices provide a strong taste to virtually all of their dishes, so this food is not for the faint-of-heart! The food is served cafeteria-style so we question the authenticity of the taste somewhat (We all know what steaming does to American food!!).

We each had the chicken masala which is chicken cooked in a tomato, onion, and butter sauce. For a vegetable, Vern had the palak aloo which is potatoes mixed with spinach, cream, and ground spices. Virginia had the navaattan horma (mixed vegetables). Chapatti, an Indian bread resembling pita bread is available at an extra charge.

Other meat dishes included lamb vindaloo (apparently a very spicy dish), chicken curry (imagine that!), lamb saag (lamb with spinach and mild spices). Vegetable selections included matar paneer (peas blended with cheese, onion, and spices), and dal mahhani (lentils prepared with butter, cream, and spices).

We found it somewhat difficult adjusting to the soupy texture of all of the dishes (Vern thinks that exporting blenders to India would be a lucrative business!) after being brought up with American food with its traditional "chunkiness."

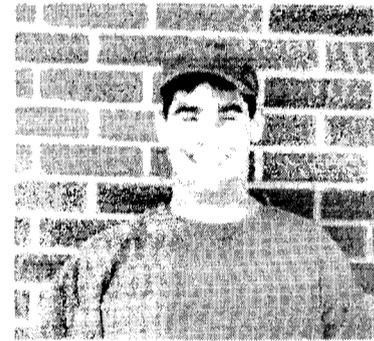
"Taste of India" is apparently doing well. Maximum seating is 26, and over half of the tables were occupied.

Meals are priced on a standard scale. Any one item is \$3.25, 2 items (1 meat; 1 vegetable) are \$4.50, 3 items (2 meat; 1 vegetable) are \$5.50. All meals come with an order of Basmati saffron rice.

The eating area was quite clean and decorated with items of India. The sole individual who was working in the establishment serving and bussing tables was friendly.

In addition to the dine-in facilities, "Taste of India" offers carry-out service and catering. They accept VISA and MASTERCARD, but not personal checks. Phone them at (515) 296-2220; fax them at (515) 296-0116.

Anyone with an adventurous culinary palate should try "Taste of India," but be ready to experience something out of the ordinary, at least compared to what we are used to in the USA.



Go on vacation, maybe in Montana, with my parents.

Nick Jordan Boone

Earth Day Thanks

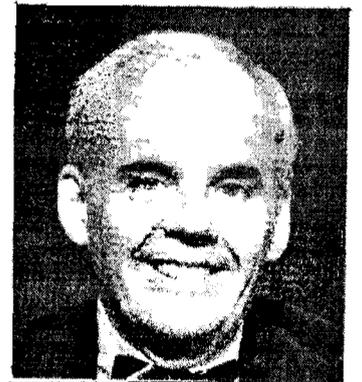
Earth Day, April 22, was a clean up day for Boone Campus. Members of the Student Action Board, environmental science students, their instructor, Ken Fraiser, and some members of the Bear Facts staff and their advisor picked up litter along South Linn.

Joanne Johnson, Rotaract member, provided refreshments for the group in the student center following the project.

Bear Facts sponsored the event to bring awareness of Earth Day to the Boone Campus and would like to thank all who were involved.

Stay in school

By Michael Gartner
Editor, The Daily Tribune



GARTNER

Dear Joey,
I heard, from some of your friends, that you're thinking about dropping out of college even before you finish your first year next month.

Don't do it, Joe.
It might sound like fun right now. You're a smart and nifty kid, with lots of charm, and you can get a job that will pay you enough for what you need--gasoline and beer and CDs and concerts and someplace to stay. You don't have a wife or kids or medical bills, you don't have a mortgage to meet or car payments to make. You could have a great three or four years while your buddies are studying away. No books. No finals. No pressure.

It's tempting.
And it's dumb.
Don't do it, Joe.
I don't want to sound like your father--though he'll be plenty mad when he hears the news--but let me tell you a few facts of life.

Money isn't everything, Joey, but it's something. And your chance of earning enough to do the things you like to do goes up dramatically if you stay in college. If you have a high school diploma but no years in college, the odds are one in nine you and your family will end up below the poverty level without enough money to buy what you and your wife and your children will need. But if you stay in college, the odds are just 1 in 43. If you drop out now, the odds are 1 in 18 you'll end up on welfare; if you go on to graduate, they're 1 in 200.

If one man has a college degree and another, with identical literacy, doesn't, the wage gap is astonishing. In 1992, the average smart man with a college degree earned \$38,793; his equally smart friend with a high school diploma earned \$26,825. (And it's a good thing your sister is staying in college. The percentage gap in pay for women is even greater--\$24,447 to \$14,886.)

Similarly, for the past 25 years the unemployment rate among persons with just a high school diploma has ranged from two to three times the rate for those with college degrees.

So stay in school, Joey.
As I said, money isn't everything. But health is. And I

know this sounds strange to fit and healthy young man like you, but throughout life you'll be healthier (and, therefore, probably happier) if you get your college degree.

People who don't go to college smoke half-again as much as people who do go, and that means your chance of getting lung cancer and other smoking-related ailments shoots up 50 percent if you don't go to college. What's more, people who go on to college tend to exercise or play sports more than high school graduates do. Throughout life, the men and women who went to college also tend to drink less, to keep their weight under better control and even to eat breakfast more regularly than do high school graduates.

And as you get older, you'll find you can't take your health for granted the way you do at 19.

So stay in school, Joey.
This country needs college graduates--they're the ones who will get the jobs--and you need a college degree to compete. The percent of high school graduates who go on to college today is a third greater than it was 40 years ago, when I was your age, and no matter how smart you are you need that credential, that certificate. Sure you can point out to me that Bill Gates never graduated from college, but I can show you millions of people on welfare who didn't, either.

Don't quit, Joey.
You had the brains to get in college.

Show you've got the brains to stay in.

Daily Tribune editor Michael Gartner writes a column for USA Today. It appears in that newspaper and Ames Tribune on Tuesdays. Bear Facts has authorization by the author to print it.

Summer movies

Mark H. Williams
Bear Facts Staff Writer

On those hot, sultry days of summer, what could be better than sitting in a cool theater with a cold soda watching the screen heat up with action.

This summer's movie fare looks to be an interesting mix: action, drama, comedy, sci. fi., to name a few of the choices.

Which ones will hit, and which ones will miss is anybody's guess. The potential for blockbusters there, but will the movies pay off in the end? Outside of a few with built in audience's, whether through hype or spin-offs, it's a shot in the dark, as to who will survive.

The big ones this year are: *Twister*, *Mission Impossible*, *Hunchback of Notre Dame*, *The Rock*, *Independence Day*, and *A Time to Kill*. Even though one of these could end up as a flop, the word has so far been good on all of these.

What follows is a list of movies with the last known release date for them. As always, the release date can and will be changed on any number of these. So, don't blame me if the movie you've been waiting for all year is released at Christmas time instead.

☺☺-Excellent
☺☺-Very Good
☺☺-Average
☺☺-So-so
☺☺-Bad
☺*-Bomb

Hot time at the movies

1. *Beach Blanket Bingo* ☺☺
The mother of all beach movies.
2. *Beach Party* ☺☺
The first Annette & Frankie movie.
3. *Dr. Goldfoot and the Bikini Machine* ☺☺
Vincent Price gets into the act, helped by Poe.
4. *The Long, Hot Summer* ☺☺
Taut Mississippi drama. (58)
5. *Meatballs* ☺☺
Summer camp with Bill Murray.
6. *National Lampoon's Vacation* ☺☺
On the road with the Griswold family
7. *Suddenly, Last Summer* ☺☺
Taylor, Hepburn, and Clift, need I say more.
8. *Summer of '42* ☺☺
Tawdry affair of 15 year old with 22 year old.
9. *A Summer Story* ☺☺
British thoughts on summer love.
10. *Sunburn* ☺*
Farrah Fawcett and Joan Collins, think about it!

Mark H. Williams

MAY

- 3--*Barb Wire*
The Craft
Last Dance
Once a Time When We Were Colored
Two Friends
- 10--*Boys*
Flipper
Frank & Ollie
Heaven's Prisoners
Original Gangstas
Twister
- 22--*Mission Impossible*
- 24--*Cold Comfort Farm*
Dead Man
Horseman on the Roof
Spy Hard
- 31--*The Arrival*
Dragonheart
Eddie

Other May releases (dates not set yet) are: *Stephen King's Thinner*, *Lone Star*, *Fierce Creatures*, and *Captives*

JUNE

- 7--*Moll Flanders*
The Phantom
The Rock
The Stupids
- 14--*The Cable Guy*
I Shot Andy Warhol
Kingpin
Welcome to the Dollhouse
- 21--*Eraser*
Hunchback of Notre Dame
- 28--*The Nutty Professor*
Stealing Beauty
- Dates not set yet:
The Young Poisoner's Handbook, *Someone Else's America*, *The Last of the High Kings*, *Courage Under Fire*

JULY

- 3--*Harriet the Spy*

Independence Day

- 10--*The Shadow Phenomenon*
- 12--*Cold Fever*
Multiplicity
A Time to Kill
- 17--*Kazaam*
- 19--*Alaska*
Larger Than Life
Palookaville
A Very Brady Sequel
- 26--*Butterfly Kiss*
Carlo Collodi's Pinocchio
Cosi
The Fan
The First Wives' Club
- Date not set yet:
Joe's Apartment

AUGUST

- 2--*The Crow: City of Angels*
Matilda
- 9--*Care of the Spitfire Grill*
High School High
John Carpenter's Escape From LA
Ransom
Tin Cup
- 16--*Bogus*
Carpool
Emma
Last Man Standing
- 23--*The Relic*
- 30--*She's the One*
- Dates not set yet:
Head Above Water, *Chain Reaction*

SUMMER

These are movies that are tentatively scheduled for sometime this summer: *Bordello of Blood*, *First Strike*, *Gone Fishin'*, *Space Jam*.

Again, titles and dates are allowed subject to change by almost anyone who had anything to do with the movie.

Students learn from the best

On Saturday April 20 and Sunday April 21 five DMACC students and advisor Jan LaVille attended the National Writer's Workshop in Des Moines at the Marriott. On Saturday evening they were treated to an Iowa Cubs game on behalf of the *Des Moines Register*.

Each participant came back with many suggestions. "I learned how to not write a headline," said Samantha Hutcherson. Angela Cherryholmes learned that most of the time there's a story behind the story. And suggests to, "keep asking questions." Mark Williams added the when interviewing a "star," have a 'so what' attitude.

Summer Lovescopes

by Audrey
Astrologist to the Ordinary

Aries (Mar 21-Apr 19) You continue to have problems maintaining an ongoing relationship. The facts are that you will always love yourself more than anyone else. Time to accept it.

Taurus (Apr 20-May 20) You covet the lover of another. Reach out and capture what you want without worrying about the consequences.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Watch out. A Virgo has the hots for you and will not be turned away. This could mean trouble.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) A look in my crystal ball revealed that the coming summer will be one of your most memorable. Be ready for an exciting adventure.

Leo (July 23-Aug 22) You cannot bully your way into someone's heart. You really need to step back and check yourself.

Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22) You are born under the sign that symbolizes chastity, but the upcoming summer will offer wild and new experiences. Go for it.

Libra (Sept 23-Oct 23) Turn the tables and spend the summer doing things for yourself instead of giving so much to others. You deserve it.

Scorpio (Oct 24-Nov 21) A single friend is trying to complicate the relationship between you and your present lover. Resist the impulse to mess around. Remain faithful.

Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21) Dreams come true for you this summer. Get ready to be swept off your feet and loved like you have never before imagined.

Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19) You are born under the sign that symbolizes sin, but you are generally pretty straight-laced. Let go during the upcoming summer and live a little.

Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18) Indulge your passionate nature this summer and allow true romance to blossom. An Aries will surprise you.

Pisces (Feb 19-Mar 20) You are struggling find yourself in your current relationship. Put things into perspective and the situation will become clear.

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The M-SHOP will be closed again at the end of the Summer session, August 3rd.
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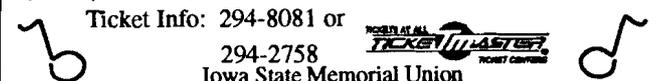
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Group offers solutions for communication

Steve Bennett, Becky Bishop,
Denise Moffett, Julie Stahr
and Kia Tungesvik
Contributing Writers

How many times have you been walking the halls of DMACC and noticed a flier for an event you would like to attend? Suddenly, it strikes you, the date has already passed. Or you have driven to those early morning classes, having worked late the night before, and you get to the classroom and see that classes canceled letter. Don't you get a slow burn on that? Or you are ready to transfer and you are talking with your new school's registrar and you find out they won't take 12 hours of your credits.

Explosion time right then and there. Communication is one of the most overused words, but least used concept. How do you make it better in a community college environment where people are always on the go. To class, to work, to home and to bed to start the next day. Since effective communications is vital for an effective organization, DMACC needs to rethink and retool its communication process.

A deficiency in one area of communication is in counseling. Many students seem to be unaware of classes actually needed to transfer to four year institutions. Another area is knowledge of

extra-curricular events and the ability of students to attend. Communication between campuses is poor, often times campuses seem unaware of what is common knowledge at the other. All these areas must be improved.

One student related about the counselors, "I'm in my first year and I feel lost. Their job is to help me get through certain procedures. It always feels like they're pushing me out of their door, and I leave just as clueless as when I came in."

The troubles that students encounter would be minimized if students were assigned an advisor before they register for classes. The student and counselor together will make out the student's schedule. The student will advise the counselor at time of registration of course intent. Voc-Tec or Liberal Arts program, and counselor and student will then go over in detail the classes that should be taken. If a student then decides to switch directions, counselor and student would sit down and discuss options on rescheduling classes appropriately.

As students progress closer to their degrees, they would be encouraged to contact prospective four year institution registrars to start the articulation process. Then with this added input, a student should receive the proper classes that will transfer and also take

electives that will be most beneficial in attaining their degree.

This process should solve the problem. Students should then be assured credits will transfer to institution of choice. A more accurate picture of the amount of classes is needed. This would eliminate the scheduling of classes; then canceling for low enrollment and throwing many students schedules into turmoil. Recently, some students and staff were discussing how they enjoyed the Nigerian luncheon. A couple of students spoke up and asked, "What Nigerian luncheon?" They were not even aware of it. Also, how many students were aware that DMACC had an Easter egg hunt? Many students didn't until after the fact. Obviously, there is a problem. This is something that needs to be addressed, especially if one of the goals is better attendance at extra curricular activities.

Many possibilities come to mind on ways to attain better communication. A possible intercom system is one. There could be daily announcements concerning upcoming events and registrations. This could work, but there are some obvious drawbacks. The most obvious is the expense. To run an intercom system to every classroom could be too expensive to outweigh the advantages.

Another possibility is to exhibit weekly event sheets in every classroom. These sheets would be mounted to bulletin boards or bulletin strips could be installed in classrooms that do not have them. It would be the responsibility of the front office to see that these weekly event sheets were distributed to the classrooms every Monday morning. Right now posters are hanging in the halls on strips or displayed on large bulletin boards. However, students get tired of rereading the same posters, so after awhile the

students pay little attention to these posters. A new weekly event sheet mounted in every classroom, every Monday morning, would help to ensure that students and staff are aware of the events of the week, so participation would possibly rise.

Lastly, communication between campuses has serious drawbacks. When problems arise, students have expressed difficulty in getting problems solved without a glitch. The Boone and Ankeny campuses need to communicate more effectively.

One possible solution for inter-campus communication should be a standardized handbook on all policies and procedures. This way the campuses have a uniform set of instructions to all procedures. This is a good solution in this age of electronic data bases. Correct procedures and policies could be easily accessed to facilitate the handling of all questions and problems.

It is important to note that all college campuses run into these same problems—but why can't the Boone DMACC work to solve these problems that just complicate students' lives? While some possibilities of solutions to breakdowns in communication are easier to establish and enforce than others, we need to remember that common courtesy will go a long ways to help mend these breakdowns. Whether it is instructors calling to let out-of-town students know a class is canceled, or the staff working in the offices being more clear and concise when helping the students, the Golden Rule can be applied in these situations and more. When this happens, communication is bound to improve.

Editor's note: This piece is a collaboration of writers from Martha Griffith's Comp II class.

Blonde bombshell blues

Angela Cherryholmes
Bear Facts Staff Writer

It is simply amazing what a bottle of peroxide can do to someone's image. Not only does your hair color change but so does the perception people have of you.

I recently experienced this when I colored my hair from brown to blonde. Yes, I deliberately wanted to become a blonde, even after all the dumb blonde jokes. It didn't happen by accident, like many people would like to think.

Two of the more redundant questions asked since my reincarnation are, "What did you do to your hair?" and "Do blondes have more fun?" My response to the first question is, "What do you think I did?" And people talk about blondes asking dumb questions. The second question I find to be very humorous. But I really can't answer it fairly because I had a ton of fun as a brunette.

One idea that has become clear to me through this experience is how people judge other people. I had never realized this until I was judged myself. It doesn't matter how you express yourself physically or emotionally. You could have a tattoo, nose ring, belly ring, pierce your tongue or even write a commentary like this one. Whatever you decide to change on the outside will never change what is inside. Yes, I can still speak clearly, walk straight, and maintain the virtues my parents taught me.



Robin L. King

Bear Facts Staff Writer

As summer approaches children everywhere are anxious to be outside. Who can blame them? Summer can be a terrific time for parents and children to do a variety of things together. Things that are not only fun but also not expensive. As a single parent the not expensive sound appeals to me.

During the summer parents and kids can find many interesting things to do. How many parents go for walks in the woods with their kids? The things that children can learn from a simple walk in the woods with their parents is amazing.

Riding bicycles together, having a picnic in the yard, reading, walking, playing catch with a ball, or soccer are just a few things that do not cost hardly anything at all except your time.

Time is one thing that doesn't require money, just a little effort. Years from now your children will have something even more valuable than your time...they will have the fond memories of the simpler things in life.

For those times when the kids are just bored to death in their opinion, load up the car with some towels, sand toys, beach balls and maybe a picnic lunch then head for one of the local beaches around. The local swimming pools also provide a good time for everyone.

My kids like it when I set the tent up in the back yard and allow them to invite a few friends to camp out in the yard. Sometimes I have to remind them that it's late and the neighbors are trying to sleep so they need to go to sleep to. Everyone has heard the saying that boys will be boys, well, I have to boys who have taught me that this is true.

Whatever you do this summer just remember that a little time and effort goes a long way. Time is a treasure that shouldn't be taken for granted. Enjoy your time with your children. I know that I do.

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Audrey,
Congratulations on your accomplishment. We are very proud of you. Love to you from your mom and your sister,
Jeanne

Julie,
Congratulations! It has definitely been a fun year. With a few learning experiences along the way. Wherever our roads intersect next year we will always be friends.
Angela

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Angela,
Over the past two years have shown us your talents strength. You are determined and will succeed in anything you do. We are very proud of you. Congratulations!
I
Mom and

Aunt Audrey,
You are the greatest aunt on this planet. Happy graduation!
From your
EL

Miranda,
Congratulations! We'll miss you during this time here in Boone has ended and it's time to celebrate! We must hurry though because Mother's Day is on the way.
An



The following Boone Campus students were inducted into the honor society (from left to right): Catherine Parker, Laura Elsberry, Patricia Minnick, Audrey Burgs, Ann Vander Martin, Todd Ihlenfeldt, Jodi Welder, Deanna Christensen, Julia Edson, Tuan Trinh (hidden by pillar), and Bruce Kelly, faculty participant.

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Audrey,
Congratulations! You have been sensational to work with and a wonderful role model. Thank you for working SO hard, because of you, I too began challenging my limitations.
Angela

Cathy,
Congratulations! Two years done and two more years to go. We're very proud of you!
Love,
Mom and Dad

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Where do they come from?

Recruiting is a year long job

Bob Rahfeldt
Contributing Writer

Iowa State men's basketball coach Tim Floyd recently got a commitment from Stevie Johnson, a 6 foot 5 inch blue-chip recruit from Louisiana. Iowa State 2,000 yard rusher Troy Davis and his brother Darren are both from the football rich state of Florida. The DMACC men's basketball roster boasts players from Brooklyn, New York and Springfield, Illinois. Ever wonder how these players end up at their respective colleges or universities? Well, it's usually a long process involving many steps.

The process usually starts when the coaches begin to evaluate high school talent. This can be done a number of different ways; some coaches distribute questionnaires to state high schools as well as schools in the surrounding states. These questionnaires are usually sent to the high school coaches who are asked to give their opinions of their athletes.

"That's how we get much of our information involving prospective recruits," said ISU assistant football coach and recruiting coordinator Bob Carskie, "If we like what we see on paper, we might ask the player's coach for some game tapes of him. We would also probably go see him play in person."

The university or college asks for things such as the player's position, size, and speed on these questionnaires. They might also ask the kid's high school coach if he thinks the player has the ability to play at the next level. So it's easy to see that the high school coach can have a big deal to do with a player's college career.

According to a book by John F Rooney "The Recruiting Game", a major football school might gather information on almost 2,000 high school and junior college athletes each year. These are cut down to a couple hundred by the coaching staff. The head coach and each of the assistant coaches are given a different territory to recruit players. After a few years these coaches get to know the area well and have a good

relationship with the region's alumni as well as the high school coaches which might help them persuade a certain player to go to their university.

With the growing amount of national recruiting, it's common for some of the coaches to go to certain places of the nation that have traditionally good players to recruit. An example of that is Texas for football; that's where Iowa football coach Hayden Fry gets many of his great players including running back Sedrick Shaw and linebacker Vernon Rollins. Of the premiere places to recruit basketball players is the state of Michigan. Iowa greats B.J. Armstrong and Roy Marble are both from Michigan as is ISU career scoring leader Jeff Grayer.

Another state with an abundance of basketball talent is Illinois. That is where DMACC sophomore point guard Malcolm Holman is from. He went to high school at Calvary Academy in Springfield, Illinois where he received many honors. Many are probably wondering how a star player from Illinois ever found out about a little community college in the middle of Iowa called DMACC. It began when Malcolm went to a camp in Memphis, Tennessee where he ran into a scout for a scouting service named Jim Drew. He told Malcolm that Russ Jones, the DMACC men's basketball coach, was looking for a point guard and thought that Russ would like to have him on his team.

Coach Jones then began calling Malcolm and set up a visit for Malcolm to come to see what the DMACC atmosphere is all about. "I visited DMACC and it was a big change from what I was used to," said Holman, "But that's what I wanted, a change of atmosphere."

Holman also considered attending a few different junior colleges in Illinois, including Wabash Valley Community College and Malcolm X Community College. Malcolm told me, "Some of those other places are not the best places to play basketball; you get hurt and they just forget about you

and ship you off somewhere."

Since this is his last year at DMACC, he is going through the recruiting process again. Schools that have been recruiting him are Montana State, Tennessee State, Illinois-Chicago, and Chicago State, where former Chicago Bull Craig Hodges is the head coach.

The recruiting process can get very hectic for the athlete, often times a blue-chip recruit gets calls from coaches round the clock. Raef LaFrentz, who some think is the best high school player ever to come out of Iowa, said he had coaches calling him about every fifteen minutes.

The recruiting of a star player is especially stressful on

basketball coaches because recruiting that one or two star players could be the difference in a team going 8-20 or 20-8. This pressure to win will sometimes cause the coaches to bend or break the recruiting rules set forth by the NCAA. An example of that was in 1988 when would-be University of Kentucky basketball player Eric Manuel took an entrance ACT exam. He scored a 23 on the test which easily surpassed the entrance minimum. The only thing wrong was that he had taken the test twice before; the first time he scored a three and the second time he got a seven. This raised many questions because the chances of that happening without fraud were 2 in a million, according to the ACT headquarters.

The Kentucky people said that it was legit, but the ACT people had a different scenario. Chris Shearer, a son of a Lexington businessman, rode with Manuel to the ACT testing site and sat next to him during the

test. Of the 219 answers for the test, 211 of Manuel's answers matched exactly to Shearer's. Many theories have been told, but nothing has ever been proven that Manuel cheated. Even though he has always proclaimed his innocence, he left school to get out of the bad situation.

Although nothing was proven in this incident, an NCAA investigation uncovered many other violations made by the Kentucky basketball program. Coach Eddie Sutton resigned and the Wildcat program and was put on probation

for a few years.

Kentucky isn't alone in these kind of recruiting violations. Football programs such as Auburn, Washington, and Miami of Florida have all been put on some sort of probation in the past 5 years.

Recruiting is probably not the best part of a coach's job, but it does disprove the notion that coaches have an easy job that begins at the first practice of the year and ends at the last game of the year. It's actually a year-round job that may give some coaches gray hair by the time they are thirty.

Where the money goes

Mark H. Williams
Bear Facts Staff Writer

Paying for school seems to get more expensive each year. The fees most often questioned are the student activity fee.

What are the student activity fees used for? Why should I have to pay them? What benefits do I get from these fees? Who decides what it's spent on or who gets to use them? These are just a few of the questions that have been over-herd around campus.

The answer to these questions may seem lengthy, but is actually quite simple. The following explanation comes from George Silberhorn, one of the Boone campus advisors.

Each year during the spring semester the student government board, along with their advisor, George Silberhorn, and the dean, Kriss Philips,

meet to decide the budget. The advisors for the different groups and activities on campus meet with the budget committee to make their groups budget requests. From these meetings the budget is decided on and the activity fees are proposed. The budget, at this stage, is ready to be presented to the board of directors for their approval. At this point, the budget is then finalized and signed by the student government board, the SAB advisor, and the dean.

That is only a quick overview of the how and who that are involved with the budgeting. The following is a list of the groups that are affected by this budget, it eventually affects all of us. A short description of what the groups propose to do with the money budgeted to them is included.

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DMACC Bears reveal future plans

Sophomores moving on...

**Julie Ann Cronin
& Lorraine Powell
Bear Facts Staff Writers**

With the end of the school year coming to a close, this also means that the men's and women's sporting teams will complete their season.

The men's baseball team currently holds a record of 33-13 and are seated third in conference.

The women's softball team holds a current record of 5-15 and is tenth in the conference.

Closing the season means sophomores will move on to continue their schooling and or participate in sports.

The men's baseball team has 14 sophomores this year. While no one has committed to a school yet, a lot of them have been contacted by colleges and universities to play baseball and the have prospects in mind.

Pat Carey is undecided on where he will play baseball this fall and also further his education. Carey is also undecided on his major.

Chad Cheney will be working full-time next fall in for a company called Ruan

Dax Connely is looking at University of Wisconsin La-crosse and Iowa State University where he wants to play baseball. Connely's major is elementary education and special education.

Heath Davis is looking at attending University of South Dakota to play baseball and get a degree in criminal justice.

Jason Hall is undecided on his future plans but will be working.

Kelly Jones is looking at Wayne State University to play baseball, his major is undecided.

Michael Krass has not made any plans for the fall, he will stay in Boone this summer and get his degree from DMACC and then he might go back to California.

Chuck Krom is looking at Southern Arkansas for the fall and his major is undecided. Krom will play baseball this fall.

Shawn Leimbek is looking at Iowa State University, university of Iowa, University of Minnesota and Mankato State University. Leimbek's major is

undecided.

Mark Otten is looking at University of Iowa and University of South Dakota to play baseball and further his education. Otten's major is undecided.

Chris Popp is looking at Wayne State University, to play baseball this fall. Popp's major is still undecided.

Greg Rieben is undecided on where he will go next fall to play baseball, he said he wants to play somewhere warm. Rieben's major is pre-dentistry.

Shawn Swartwout is looking at Grand View College and University of South Dakota where he wants to play baseball and major in sex therapy.

Ryan Wendt is looking at Mt. Marty to play baseball in the fall, Wendt's major is undecided.

Women's softball

The women's softball team has seven sophomores this year.

Julie Dill will attend Simpson college in the fall where she will major in psychology.

Nicole Feeney has been accepted to Simpson College and Drake University, she has not decided where she is going yet, but she will play softball and major in political science.

Meleena Henderson will attend Simpson College in the fall and will play basketball and softball and major in management development.

Becky Hostedler will attend DMACC-Boone next fall to finish the nursing program.

Diane Schmitt will attend Upper State Iowa next fall where she will play basketball and softball and major in business.

Tina Stuhldryer will attend Iowa State University in the fall and major in Family services and counseling.

Lori Tilley will be attending Wayne State College in the fall where she will play softball and major in parks and recreation and or criminal justice.

The men's team has one game left this season on May 5, at home vs. Simpson College at 2p.m.

The women's last game of the regular season is today vs. Ellsworth Community College at 3:30 p.m.



Photo by Julie Ann Cronin

The men's baseball team sophomores front row from left to right: Chris Popp, Heath Davis, Greg Rieben, Chad Cheney, Shawn Swartwout and Dax Connely. Second row from left to right: Kelly Jones Mark Otten, Chuck Krom, Shawn Leimbek, Pat Carey and Jason Hall.



Photo by Jessica Paulsen

The women's softball team sophomores front row from left to right: Nicole Feeney, Becky Hostedler and Julie Dill. Back row from left to right: Meleena Henderson, Diane Schmitt, Tina Stuhldryer and Lori Tilley.

Services for "stop outs"

Lorraine Powell
Bear Facts Staff Writer

As signs of spring become more and more evident with the budding trees and blooming flowers, another sign is becoming very apparent at the DMACC Boone Campus - the drop in cars in the parking lot and the missing faces in the classroom.

As a first semester student at DMACC, it became important to me to find out where had all the students gone and what caused their leaving. For whatever reasons they left DMACC, was there anything that could have prevented that from happening?

All drop-out statistics at the DMACC Boone Campus are centralized. In speaking to Lynn Albrecht, Student Records and Services, he said that there has been no real study done by DMACC relating to the drop-out issue. He did say that close to 50% of all students who say they are going to complete the two-year program, actually do.

This coming fall DMACC will be doing a study of a specific group of students who have enrolled in a two-year program. The study will attempt to determine how long it takes this group to obtain their degrees. This study is authorized by the federal legislation known as the "Right to know." The figures obtained will be published and used by prospective students who are shopping for a school to attend.

Then Albrecht discussed the two definitions of the term "drop-out." It can mean someone who has dropped out of a class before the term is over or it can apply to a student who does not complete a program. Because of the lack of manpower and the difficulty involved in tracking students who leave the state, it is safe to say that drop-out statistics cannot be entirely accurate.

In discussing drop-outs with Rich Finnestad, coordinator of Student Services, a very interesting fact came to light. Finnestad said that "dropping out of school has always had a negative connotation to it." "When thinking of the 1000 students who enroll in the fall and the 900 who return in the spring, no one really knows why these students chose to leave school and pursue another avenue." Therefore,

Finnestad does not use the word, "drop-out" but rather "stop-out." Some students come to school and find out it is not what they wanted. Dropping out for them becomes a stepping stone to their next life's choice. In fact, the Department of Labor statistics report that the average person changes their occupation five times in a lifetime. Finnestad said that 75 to 85 per cent of the freshmen who attend DMACC, do not know the major they want. It is a matter of coordinating one's interests and one's abilities.

In responding to the issue of the availability of federal pell grants making it easier for students to drop out, Finnestad stated that he considered the pell grant a very "helpful tool." At least 75% of students coming to school on pell grants finish their education. Thus, even if "we lose a fourth, it is still worth it for the sake of the rest who greatly benefit from the grant," said Finnestad.

George Silberhorn, counselor, added to Finnestad's

remarks by reporting that "everyone deserves the chance to succeed or to fail." He said that the DMACC staff must look at what can be done to help every student who attends school to succeed at their goals. He spoke about a faculty advising system unique to the Boone Campus. Faculty members advise students in academic placement and in the course of their study. It is not a mandatory system but students choose their advisor according to their major.

Silberhorn believes that everyone at DMACC who has student contact is automatically involved in the retention process. It includes the librarian who greets students with a smile, the academic achievement center which provides assessments and free tutoring, the workers at the front counter who deal with students' needs, and teachers and staff. Silberhorn stated that "We're here because the students are here. If we don't retain students here, then we haven't done our job." The DMACC faculty have a form to fill out which reports students that have missed over 3 weeks of classes. These forms can be turned in to the counselors or the faculty themselves can follow up on these students by calling them to ascertain any

problems. In either instance, the forms are mailed out to the students.

A class offered at DMACC entitled "Orientation to College", would be an excellent way for students to be aided in staying in school. It teaches about financial assistance, refunds, services offered by the media center and the library and a variety of other student issues.

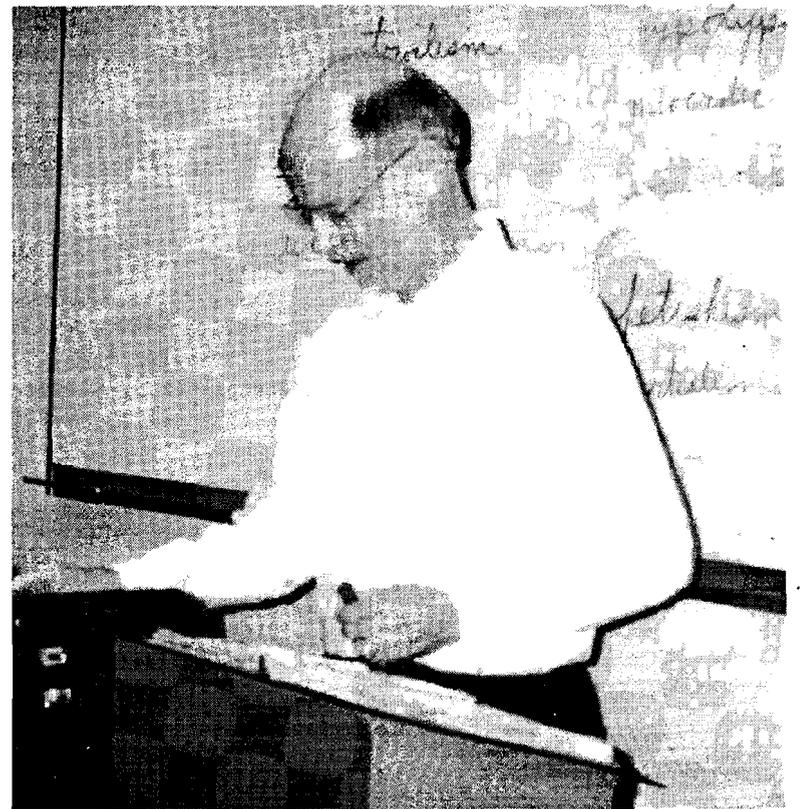
The Academic Achievement Center is eager to help any student contemplating dropping out. It offers both academic testing to aid in placement and free tutoring. Academic testing at DMACC is not mandatory. But the advice of Jinny Silberhorn in the AAC is that a student should strongly consider their test results before enrolling in a higher class. Asset tests can help predict a student's readiness at that particular time in their life. She reported that DMACC is recommending the implementation of mandatory advising within two years. After taking placement tests, students who do not do well, will be assigned an advisor to aid in course placement and planning. Silberhorn spoke very positively about the Displaced Homemakers

Program directed by Maggie Stone. She also spoke of PBL and other organizations on campus that provide students a support system. There is a need for people to attach themselves to something when attending school. If it is not a teacher or friend then it might be school activities such as sports or clubs. Very few students drop out of school who have formed some attachment.

In speaking with former students from DMACC, several of the reasons given for their stopping out included the following: to get a full time job, relationship problems, family problems and /or poor grades. One student stressed the importance of formally withdrawing from school if one wanted to continue to be eligible for pell grants.

Therefore, whether you consider yourself a drop out or stop out, it is important to

know that there are services available at DMACC to help students make important life choices if they choose to seek it out.



Psychology instructor Dr. Robert Taylor organizes his notes after a recent human sexuality class.

Teacher diversified in several areas

Angela Cherryholmes
Bear Facts Staff Writer

Picture your high school world history teacher. Now think about your high school drama director. Did you ever think these people had anything in common? Well they may have if they were like Dr. Robert Taylor. DMACC instructor Taylor, taught all of these subjects throughout his career.

Before coming to DMACC, Taylor taught at three other colleges briefly. For 17 years prior to DMACC, Taylor was an English, world history, then psychology teacher on the high school level, not to mention directing high school plays.

Taylor enjoys teaching at the college level better than high school for one simple reason, "In college you don't have to censor yourself as much," said Taylor. He also recalls that all his teaching experiences were good ones.

Beginning here at DMACC Boone Campus in the fall of 1984, Taylor has taught five different psychology classes: general psychology, developmental psychology, human sexuality and gender roles, abnormal psychology, and human relations and adjustment.

"I like being able to teach different things. Each one has a different variety of students," said Taylor.

Taylor uses a conventional teaching method to reach his students. He invites a variety of speakers to visit his classes to help students better understand course topics. "I like having speakers. They are much better than talking about it or reading about it," said Taylor. He admitted some speakers are so good you want

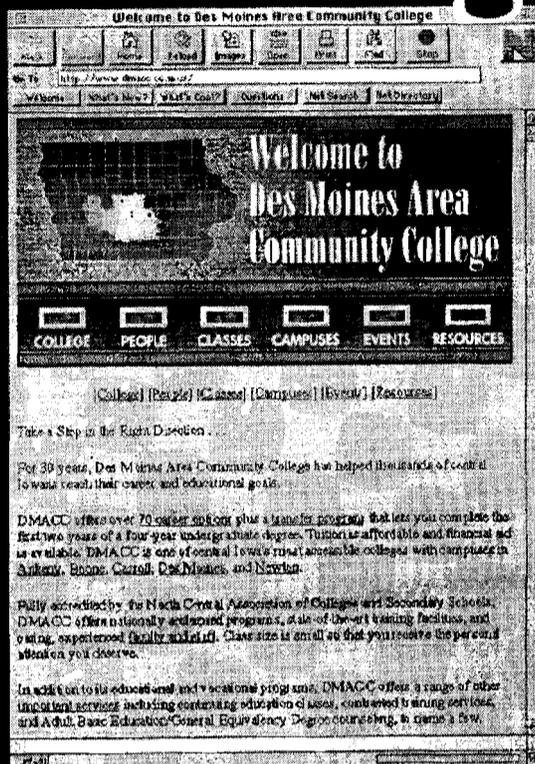
to have them again. Because of that idea Taylor invites the same speakers to return for each semester. Some of Taylor's speakers have been former students and even faculty members. A few examples would be victims of alcoholism, representatives of Planned Parenthood, cross dressers, gays and lesbians, and people suffering from sleep disorders.

The most challenging class Taylor teaches is human sexuality and gender roles. "This class is the most important for me to teach. I think everyone should take the class, especially the nursing students," said Taylor. He added, "They all have their own advantage."

After 38 years of teaching Taylor is contemplating retirement. "If I do, I would certainly miss the ideas and the people," concluded Taylor. Though no formal decision regarding his retirement has been made at this time.

Advantage

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DMACC Gets a New Web Site

Advantage is Des Moines Area Community College's new quarterly magazine. This cover features DMACC's homepage accessible on the Internet.

Reinig promotes DMACC

Angela Cherryholmes
Bear Facts Staff Writer

Choosing to come to DMACC is "a step in the right direction" according to a recently mounted media campaign.

This slogan comes in an ad campaign developed by Pam Reinig the new Director of Marketing and her staff working in the Marketing Media Relations office. This new campaign has been launched into print, television, and radio. For example, the first television advertisement premiered during the Men's NCAA Basketball Tournament while the Iowa State University was playing. Following this commercial Reinig conducted a random survey of Iowa counties and found the results to be very favorable.

The new advertising campaign emphasizes one of Reinig's main concerns. "It's important to educate people about two-year colleges and how they have changed," said Reinig. She said that 80% of jobs require at least a two-year degree.

"People are beginning to understand the concept of life-

long learning. The best place to do that is in the community college," said Reinig.

Reinig brings years of experience to her position here at DMACC. Her knowledge of journalism has led to yet another positive image reflecting DMACC, an evolving quarterly magazine entitled *Advantage* for DMACC students, faculty, and staff. According to Reinig, the purpose of the magazine is to "celebrate the achievements of students and faculty on all campuses." The

magazine is produced by the Media Marketing office staff and can be found in the Boone Campus library.

Reinig feels her job exhibits a terrific challenge, and she enjoys the new position to build on. "It's exciting to work for higher education; a community college plays an important role in education," said Reinig.

Because of Reinig's vast knowledge in the different fields of journalism, she has a lot to offer DMACC. When asked what qualifications it takes to someday perform her job, she offered this advice, "Read a lot, write a lot, and speak a lot."

Internet: Opening eyes and minds

Mark H. Williams
Bear Facts Staff Writer

The information super highway is on its way to DMACC. By the fall semester, students on all DMACC campuses should have access, if all goes according to plans.

DMACC will then join millions of other students through out the world in a quest for knowledge. Imagine being able to find the latest statistics on the AIDS epidemic, or sports scores, or concert dates for your favorite music group. You can find all this and more on the Internet.

There are two main information servers I have found easy to use: Web Crawler and Yahoo. Web Crawler will locate just about all sites that contain the key word or words that you are looking for. Whereas, Yahoo will locate terms in a slightly more specific way. A brief description of the site appears with the title, and the search word is then highlighted.

Someone is doing a term paper on the movies of Ingmar Bergman, and they don't know where to look. Just enter the name "Bergman, Ingmar" on the line, and press "enter." A list of sites will appear, then pick the one that will most likely have the information you need.

The Web site *voyager* appeared with a list of Bergman movies. I picked *The Seventh Seal*, one of my favorites. From that screen I had the choice of pictures, in depth story line, and even an opportunity to purchase the video. Through other avenues in *voyager*, I was able to read reviews

and critics of his films and learn of his life.

Of course, you can look up any other movie personality and find a plethora of sites for them, some with only a few sites and others with thousands of sites. For example Brad Pitt is listed in 226 sites, while Susan Sarandon is only listed in 36 sites. Some of the sites are listed because the name is mentioned there, but no real information is given.

The problem of where to look may not be a major problem as you look up famous people, but think about the problem when looking up information on AIDS. There are 10,357 home pages listed in Web Crawler under "AIDS." Which one you go to may be a difficult choice. One good site to look at is *The World-Wide Web Virtual library: AIDS*, at <http://www.actwin.com/aids/v1.html>. This is a basic jumping page to some very good informational sites. Also, any of the Center for Disease Control, or CDC sites are informative. Warning, some of the information is blunt and to the point.

The World Health Organization has a total of 918 sites. Covering almost any ailment you can think of, or would want to know about, from cancer, to pediatric dentistry, to toxic chemicals and the effects on humans. The Internet is a major tool for today's medical student or career person.

My mother was diagnosed with Alzheimer Disease about 8 years ago. If my family had only had access to the web at that time, my family would have known what to expect, or at least who to talk to. Today

there are over 496 home pages dealing with this devastating disease.

If you are at a loss of where to look, and you do not want to spend all day looking, I would suggest buying a "net" guide. The only problem is that they run between \$40 and \$50, and by the time they are published, they are dated.

If you want to look into the possibility of getting tickets for a California Angels baseball game, you can order your tickets over the Internet. Most major league teams, in all sports, have a Home Page on the Net. Of course, you will have to have your credit card ready. You can order many different things from the Net: magazines, clothes, household goods, even a new car if you have the money and know what you want.

One of the reasons that some people are afraid of the "net," is that, some people are afraid of the sites that contain, what some people view as, pornography or sexually explicit material. These sites do exist, and they can be found, but maybe that's the risk of education.

The Web is far too valuable of an educational tool not to have access to it. To know that in 1994 there were 1,025,073 reported AIDS cases in the world, and of those 401,789 where in the USA alone, is important information.

Of course, just knowing that the Malaysian elephants are being tracked by Satellite, is kind of cool. What would we, as students do without the knowledge on the Internet?



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Campus Recreation / Intramural are tentatively budgeted for \$4,000 this year. This amount will be used for the purchase, upkeep, and replacement of recreational equipment. Intramural sports and campus recreational activities are also funded through this department. These activities are available to all students of the Boone campus.

Clubs consist of: Nursing Students United (Nursing department students), Phi Beta Lambda (Business students), Recreation Club (host activities and competitions in the rec. area), Rotaract (affiliated with the Rotary club of America), Rezoomers (returning older students who have been away from a school environment for a period of time). The money given is intended for organizational expenses and to promote the student body as a whole. It may be used to promote and represent DMACC in state and national events, when ever possible. These groups are tentatively budgeted for a total of \$2,500.

Athletics portion of the budget is \$10,000. These funds are administered by the athletic director, Dick Smith. Men's and women's basketball, men's baseball, and women's softball are a part of this department. The funds are to be used for transportation, meals, lodging, equipment, officiating, insurance, scholarships, advertising, recruiting, rent, and postage expenses.

The Student Action Board, according to SAB member, Angela Cherryholmes, "is developed and organized to benefit the student body . . .

they interact with the local community in the promoting of DMACC as a positive influence." Some of the special events that they have sponsored are; a fall mixer, Christmas dance, Homecoming dance, and an annual Pig Roast. Other social activities and events are also cosponsored by SAB. They have been tentatively budgeted for \$5,000.

One of the accomplishments that Cherryholmes is most proud of is the AIDS awareness day that was held in January, she is hoping that it will become an annual event. She is also proud of the effort given at Christmas time, with the donations that were received for the food pantry.

The Bear Facts newspaper is allocated \$600. These funds are to be used for equipment, materials, and printing of the student newspaper. The newspaper makes an effort to keep the students and faculty informed on events and happenings affecting them.

The Drama department has been allocated \$600. All productions presented by the drama department are partially funded through the activities fees. The expenses include royalties, scripts, costumes, rentals, props, and any equipment replacement.

Tutor services will receive \$900. This amount is to be used for extending the availability of the tutorial services. This service is available for all students who may be needing extra help in a particular subject. It is available in many different areas of study.

Creative Writing will be allocated \$400. This organization helps to promote interesting and effective writing through various activities.

Cheerleading at this time does not receive any funds. The reason is that DMACC does not, at this time, have a squad. In the event that one should be established, funds would be available for their use.

Any group or organization needing additional funding needs to make their requests to SAB who can allocate more funds, if available, through out the school year.

This is just a brief overview of one of the many monetary affects that students at DMACC are confronted with yearly. This same procedure occurs at each of the DMACC campuses.

It may seem that, at times, you are asked for more of your money and are receiving less, but you are getting the most benefit for your money.



Gov. Terry Branstad honored DMACC student leaders at a luncheon held on the Ankeny Campus. Those honored from right to left are: Mark Williams, Chris Abbott, Greg White, Branstad, Audrey Burgs, and Angela Cherryholmes.

DMACC FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE
Spring - 1996

Monday, May 6, 1996 (Monday/ Wednesday/Friday or more classes)

Class Time	Exam 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.
4:40 p.m. - 5:35 p.m.	3:30 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7, 1996 (Tuesday/Thursday classes)

Class Time	Exam 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.
4:00 p.m. - 5:25 p.m.	2:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8, 1996 (Monday/ Wednesday/Friday or more classes)

Class Time	Exam 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.

Thursday, May 9, 1996 (Tuesday/Thursday classes)

Class Time	Exam 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.

DMACC EVENING FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

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

Last Monday night classes	May 6
Last Tuesday night classes	April 30
Last Wednesday night classes	May 1
Last Thursday night classes	May 2
Last Monday/Wednesday night classes	May 6
Last Tuesday/Thursday night classes	May 7

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Open House to honor Santage
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Cory Williams
Bear Facts Staff Writer

This will be JoAnn Santage's last year at DMACC. Santage is leaving because her husband was transferred to Council Bluffs by the Union Pacific Railroad. Santage will be moving to Treynor, 15 miles east of Council Bluffs in June or July.

Santage has been teaching at DMACC for eight and a half years and taught at Boone High prior to that. Before her teaching career, she stayed home and took care of her daughters.

When Santage moves to Treynor, she would like to teach at the Iowa Western Community College, Council Bluffs High School, or at an alternative high school.

Santage has enjoyed her years at DMAAC. She also has enjoyed the variety of students she has taught and helped. Santage said, "It's hard to leave a job you love."

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