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DMACC Boone Campus open house September 28

By Patrice Harson
Bear Facts Staff

What students, faculty and staff now refer to as DMACC Boone Campus came into existence in 1969 when the overseers of Boone Junior College insightfully joined the Des Moines Area Community College system.

Since the switchover, the DMACC Boone Campus has nearly tripled its enrollment while continuing to offer its patrons an affordable tuition. Iowa residents attend DMACC for just \$63.40 per credit but nearly 10% of the Boone Campus students come from out of state while another 10% travel to DMACC from abroad.

Around the same time that Boone Junior College gave birth to the DMACC Boone Campus, another institution benefiting many collegian clientele came into existence. The Boone Campus Foundation, representing many local businesses, gives DMACC Boone Campus students the opportunity to gain additional funds needed to cover tuition costs through scholarships.

Like Boone Campus, the Boone Campus Foundation has also grown considerably in the last three decades. According to DMACC Foundation secretary Cheryl Spencer, 120 Boone Campus Foundation scholarships totaling \$27,989.80 were awarded to 116 Boone Campus students this fall--that's a \$9,010.40 increase over last fall.

To celebrate their 30 years of association and combined success, the DMACC Boone Campus, the Boone Campus Employees Association and the Boone Campus Foundation are teaming up with the Greater Boone Area Cham-



ber of Commerce to sponsor an open house Tuesday, September 28, beginning at 5 p.m. in the L.W. Courter Center.

"We hope a lot of students, colleagues from other educational institutions such as Iowa State University, Boone, Ogden and Ames High Schools (to name a few) as well as parents and other community members attend the open house," said Boone Campus counselor George Silberhorn.

According to Silberhorn, Boone Campus department heads representing all campus departments--Communications/Humanities, Computer Science/Math/Science, Management Support Systems/Business Administra-

tion/Management, Nursing, Civil Engineering, Academic Achievement Center, and Social Sciences/Art Music--will be available to answer questions. Guided tours of the campus will be offered along with refreshments.

DMACC Boone Campus Executive Dean Kriss Philips said, "Our last open house was four years ago when we expanded our campus to include the L.W. Courter Center, new computer labs and five new classrooms.

Philips continued, "To me, it's an exciting time for this campus to show off to the community what we've accomplished over the last 30 years and what we're currently doing."

College 101

Brenda Johnson
Bear Facts Staff

Welcome back DMACC students! For those of you that have been here before, it must be nice to get back to the familiar faces around campus. However, if you are new to DMACC, Boone, or college in general, you may be a little overwhelmed with all the changes.

Over the past couple of weeks, you may have walked into the wrong room for fear of looking like an idiot if you double-checked your schedule. If you only went to class on Thursday because your schedule said TR, you probably figured out, much like Scott Cue, DMACC freshman, that TR means Tuesday and Thursday.

If you have not yet picked up a student handbook, there are a few things you should know. The last day to drop a course this semester is November 8, which is about two weeks after midterms. The Academic Achievement Center provides free tutoring and help with assignments. It is located on the first floor by the bookstore. All students at DMACC have their own e-mail account. They may access this in the computer lab off of the library or the computer classrooms throughout the building. If you have any trouble with your e-mail the man to talk to is Ron Erickson located in room

You may have decided Sunday night that you should have done your homework Friday afternoon. Or perhaps Friday morning at your 8 a.m. Class you figured out that you shouldn't have drunk so much Thursday night. Over the next semester you will learn these things and many other basic survival tips of college. For those of you that already know, then you're one-step ahead. Have a great semester!

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NEWS FROM THE BOONE CAMPUS

The Editorially Independent Voice of the DMACC Boone Campus

September 15, 1999

Phi Beta Lambda in full swing for fall

DMACC Boone--The Omicron Zeta Chapter of Phi Beta Lambda, DMACC's professional business organization, picked up several new members this fall, and according to Nancy Thomas, 1998-99 PBL president; Marie Dostal, 1998-99 PBL vice-president; and PBL member Nikki Scott, the club has wasted no time in getting involved with their campus community.

The Boone Campus division of Future Business Leaders of America got some good exercise Friday while participating in the county's *Adopt-A-Highway* project. Keeping a small stretch of land east of Boone free of litter is just one of PBL's community service projects.

On Saturday, the group got another good workout while carrying banners in Boone's annual Pufferbilly Days Parade. From both horseback and by foot, the group delighted parade-goers by handing out candy and pencils along the route.

PBL is currently making plans to attend the PBL State Fall Leadership Conference to be held October 8 through 9 at the DMACC-Urban Campus. While attending the conference, the club will stay overnight at the Holiday Inn in downtown Des Moines.

In an article written for the *Bear*

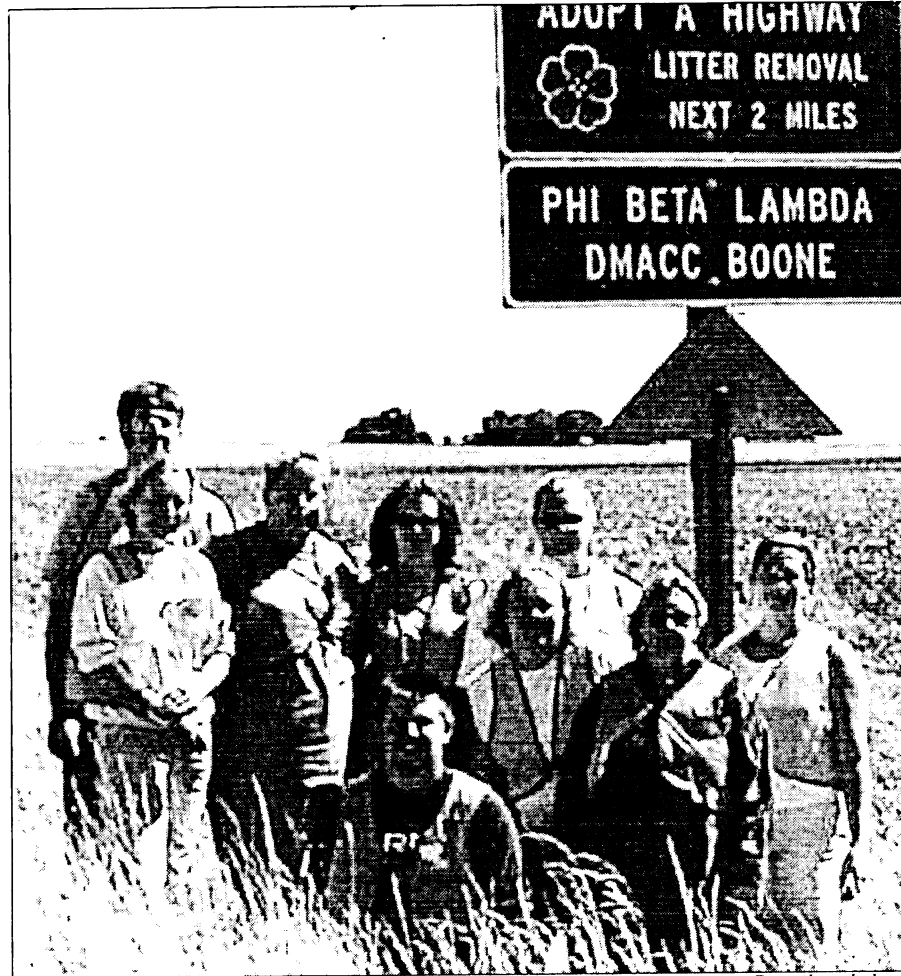
Facts last spring, two-year PBL veteran Tanya Smuck said, "Phi Beta Lambda has been a great asset to me. Not only does (being a member of PBL) look good on a resume, it also helped me personally."

Coming to DMACC's Boone Campus was a big step for Smuck. "Was I going to know anyone? Would I fit in? Would I be able to find someone to relate with?" were just a few of Smuck's concerns, and "Yes!" was Smuck's eventual answer to all of her initial questions.

Smuck continued, "I have been able to develop friendships that have meant a lot to me...PBL gave me confidence that I now can carry through into my career. To anyone who thinks about joining PBL, do it! It will be one of the best choices you make."

PBL's first official meeting of the semester is Friday, September 17, from 12:20 to 1:15 p.m. in Room 205. Current PBL members Thomas, Dostal and Scott invite any Boone Campus students interested in learning more about PBL to attend.

For more information regarding PBL, contact Boone Campus PBL adviser Linda Plueger in Room 201.



Contributed photo

PBL members completed their first service project last week: (from l. to r., front row) Jeremy Samples, Elainea Davis, Nancy Thomas, (middle row) Lynn Dutcher, Audra Price, Kylie Boon, Amie Hull, (back row) Mark Potter.

Rezoomers Club off to a good start

DMACC Boone—Six members attended the first meeting of the DMACC Boone Campus Rezoomers Club, an informal organization for adult returning students, on Wednesday, September 1, in the Lloyd Courter Center.

Maggie Stone, who serves as the club's sponsor as well as coordinator for the Displaced Homemakers/Single Parent Project located on the Boone Campus, said, "Joining the Rezoomers Club is a great way to get acquainted with others who may be juggling kids, a job and school. It's an especially good way to make friends if you're a new student on campus."

"I encourage all students who have been out of the school setting for two to twenty years or more to join the Rezoomers Club," continued Stone.

The next meeting of the Rezoomers Club is Tuesday, September 28, in the

L.W. Courter Center.

Upcoming Rezoomers Club events will include—

- ◆ **Tuesday, October 19**--Jinny Silberhorn, Director of the Boone Campus Academic Achievement Center, to speak on *Test Anxiety*.
- ◆ **Saturday, December 11**—*Free Family Day*. Club members are invited to bring their families to a DMACC Bear basketball game. The club-sponsored event will include free admission to the December 11 game, free pizza and a tour of the Boone campus.

According to Stone, a presentation on *Stress Management* is also in the works for the fall semester.

For additional information about the Rezoomers Club contact Maggie Stone in Room 124.

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LOCAL NEWS

September 15, 1999

Super Nationals return to BooneBy Mandy Olson
Bear Facts Staff

This year you didn't see Harold Haggeman, DMACC Boone Campus custodian, mopping the halls of DMACC during Super Nationals week. He took the week as vacation time and stayed in a RV at the racetrack for the first time ever.

Every September, racers, their pit crews and race fans rush to Boone Speedway for Super Nationals. At this big race event, there are five car classes: Modifieds, Late Models, Sprint Cars, Stock Cars, and Hobby Stocks.

This fall marked the 17th annual anniversary of Super Nationals. This year's highlights will be televised on a national cable channel later on in September. This event hasn't been televised since 1996.

I.M.C.A. President Kathy Root, according to the official I.M.C.A. web site, said, "We're excited about having Super Nationals on television."

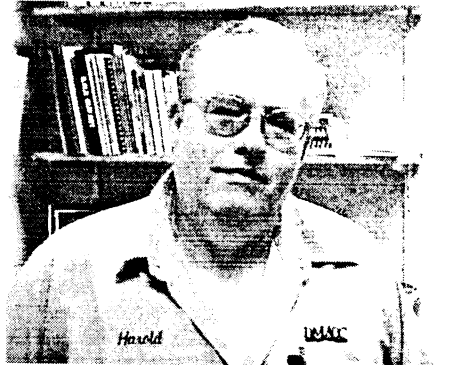
This year the Boone Speedway expected around the same number of drivers as the last couple of years to attend. In 1997 and 1998, the car counts totaled over 608. The drivers came from all over the country to participate in Super Nationals. In the past, there have even been drivers

from Canada and Australia. In addition to Iowa, drivers mailed in entries from more than 15 states.

As far as race fans go, there were plenty. Haggeman, said, "I have been a race fan since I was five years old. I grew up with this stuff." Haggeman used to race his own car at the Webster City track. "Once, I loaned my car to a friend to race in a Fraternity race, and he flipped it and rolled it 12 times."

Although, most of the drivers came from near and far for the Super Nationals, many were from right here in Boone. Scott Davis, modified driver stated, "It takes lots of hard work and lots of good luck to get a car ready for Super Nationals." Davis has attended eight Super Nationals and won two, including last year. (The two wins were in the stock car class. This was his first year as a modified driver at Super Nationals.) Davis, who usually races against approximately 30 modified drivers at Boone Speedway, competed against approximately 145 at the 1999 Super Nationals.

Good Luck finding a hotel room to stay in during the Super Nationals. At the Amerihost Inn, general manager, Jesse Howard, said, "Our rooms had been



Harold Haggeman

booked for six months. Jeff Lawton (Boone Speedway manager) buys them (hotel rooms) early for the officials, and the promoters." Last year, at the Amerihost Inn, there were over 200 racecar drivers. "This year, we had a few rooms available Tuesday through Thursday night," Howard stated. The room rates ranged from the lower eighties to \$140 for a suite.

While the officials and promoters stayed at the hotel, most racers and race fans, much like Haggeman, stayed in RVs. Josh Keller, Bear Facts editor, and Wal-Mart employee said, "We had a lot of fans buying pillows, blankets and munchies for their RVs. During Super Nationals week the main walkway (at Wal-Mart) is filled with everything from pictures kids have drawn of race cars, to displays selling oil and transmission fluid."

First place winners were as follows this year: Jeff Anderson in the Stock Car class, John Louge, in Modifieds, Scott Anderson in Hobby Stock, Jerry Bell in the Sprint Cars and Curt Martin in the Late Models.

So, even though Haggeman's favorite local driver, Kelly Lyons of Boone in the modified class didn't win, you will probably see Haggeman back out at the track next year.

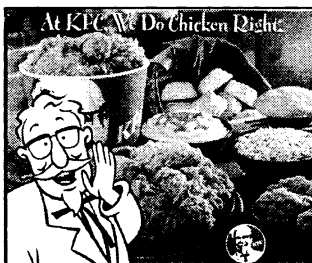
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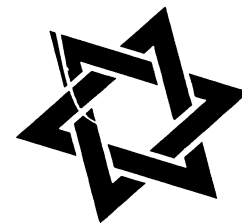
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DMACC Boone Campus Auditorium

Students, Faculty, Staff, and Community Welcome

Volleyball premiers on Boone Campus

Coach Slight: Trying to establish ourselves as a team

By Jay Cue
Bear Facts Staff

New is rarely easy. Since its birth in April, the new DMACC women's volleyball team has had more than a sampling of adversity. From last second recruiting, to scheduling dilemmas, to the intimidation of being the new kid, head coach Lori Slight has had her hands full. How has she been handling her newly found stress? Pure excitement.

To say Coach Slight is pumped about this season would be an understatement. She was officially hired as the first ever DMACC Bear's women's volleyball coach in April. Upon her hiring, she was promptly thrown onto a locomotive with a full head of steam. Many of the opposing schools had spent all winter recruiting, scheduling and preparing for what Slight was only about to begin. There was much to do and a short time to accomplish it all. There were many preparations needed for the upcoming season, which was set to begin in only a few months.

Athletic director Terry Jamieson was also very excited to have the new program at DMACC and helped preparation by supplying the volleyball equipment needed for the new sport. Nets, balls and uniforms were purchased, and lines were placed on the gym floor transforming it from a domain of hoopsters to a realm equipped for digs, spikes, kneepads and pure adrenaline.

Jamieson was the scheduling coordinator. This task was a little more difficult. Because other teams, conference and non-conference, had been scheduling since

winter, the new DMACC team would have to accommodate a half-filled schedule of nearly all away games. Slight, however, was pleased at the job Jamieson had done, and complimented him on the help and cooperation he had shown throughout the shortened off-season.

"[Jamieson] really worked hard to schedule these games," Slight commented. "Without [Jamieson], we wouldn't have a volleyball program here. He's done everything to help accommodate us."

Now that Slight had the equipment and opponents, she needed to fill a roster, a task she'd been working on since her hiring. Slight also took on an assistant coach to aid the budding team in its first year. John Johnson, a thirteen year coaching veteran, accepted the opportunity to give his talent and know-how to help the program. Since Slight herself had never coached at the junior college level, she gratefully accepted Johnson and his five years experience as assistant coach at Iowa Central Community College.

The season was nearing, and when the first practice began August 16, Coach Slight, Assistant Coach Johnson and 10 talented and determined scholarship volleyball players took the court to begin DMACC's inaugural women's volleyball season.

The Team

"To the girls, I think it's intimidating," Slight commented about being the 'new kid on the block.' "I think it is for me, too." DMACC is the eleventh volleyball team in the conference this year. Though a few teams have only begun programs of their own in the past few years, DMACC

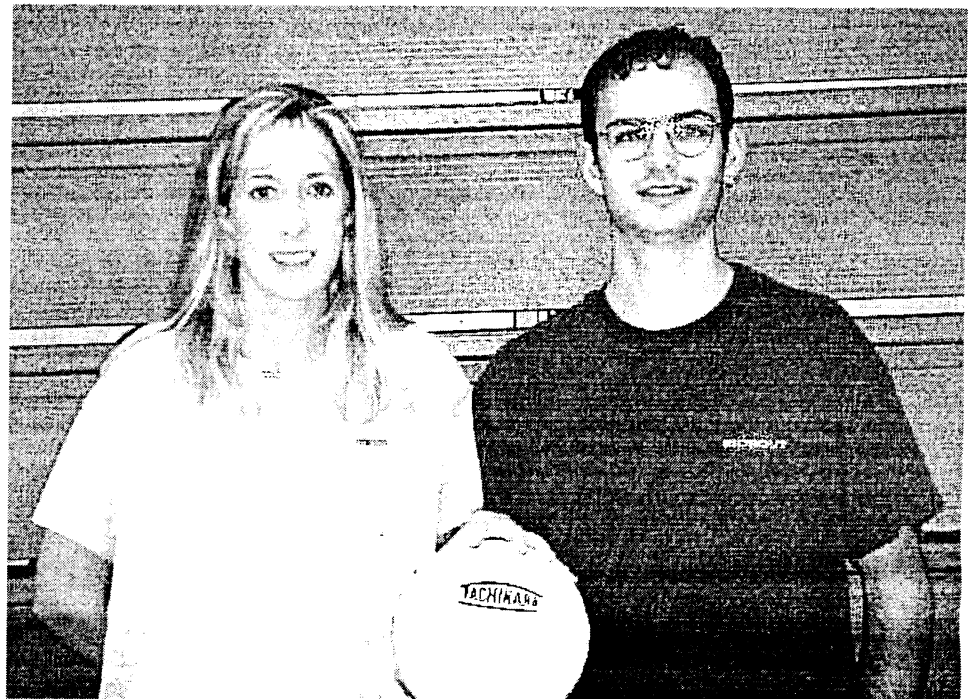


photo by Jay Cue

Head coach Lori Slight and assistant coach John Johnson have been chosen to lead the first ever DMACC women's volleyball team into their inaugural season.

is the only new one for this season. Slight stated that this poses a bit of a problem since neither she nor the women on the team have seen much junior college volleyball first hand.

Slight commented that programs belonging to division I four-year schools generally have the same level of talent, as do Division III junior college teams where scholarships are not allowed. But Division I junior college volleyball had such an extreme range of talent, a new coach simply doesn't know what to expect when stepping onto another team's floor.

This range of talent has been displayed already this season. Indian Hills, a junior college with a strong volleyball reputation, has a complete roster, and victories under its belt. Clinton, on the other hand, was forced to drop their program due to a lack of interest.

Slight is optimistic that Johnson will aid the Bears in this dilemma. Slight pointed out that his experience at the junior college level has given him a good idea of which teams have reputations of having strong programs, and which are the weaker ones. Slight is confident this knowledge will pay off this season.

DMACC's new coach has also shown great confidence in her players. Though many of her players have never played at the collegiate level, she feels the team has what it takes to be successful. Slight also

feels there is no one superstar on the team. She sees an even talent spread among all of the women, something greatly appreciated on a team of DMACC's size.

Jaclyn Sprong, one of the new DMACC Bears, shared in Slight's optimism. Sprong is a sophomore at DMACC who spent last year at ISU where she took a year off of volleyball. When she enrolled at DMACC, she jumped on the opportunity to play again. She, along with the rest of the team, has shown excitement, and a little apprehension.

"It's a new program; anything can happen," Sprong commented. "We're trying to establish ourselves as a new team right now. Whatever happens, happens."

The Season

The Bears have competed in two games so far this season. The first, a 0-3 loss to Indian Hills, showed the team has the potential to compete in the conference on any given night. The second game, a 0-3 loss to Iowa central in the team's first of only two home games, displayed the glitches and errors expected from a first year program.

Despite the 0-2 start, Slight is confident the team will continue to improve. She also encourages students to attend games, especially the students who are unfamiliar with the sport of volleyball.

Two of the biggest attributes to the game of volleyball are the explosive plays

DMACC Volleyball Scores

DMACC 0 Indian Hills 3

6-15 6-15 3-15

DMACC played well in their first game of the season. The team served 82% with Tracy Shaw going 7-7, and Jaclyn Sprong serving 4-4. The team's hitting leader was Victoria Rowley going 12/15 with 9 kills.

DMACC 0 Iowa Central 3

1-15 7-15 6-15

DMACC lacked enough accuracy on their serves and hits to stay with Iowa Central. Serving leaders were Tracy Shaw and Wendy Johnson, each serving 100%. Steph Henderson was 9-10 on hits, and Emily Brooks was 10-13.

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SPORTS

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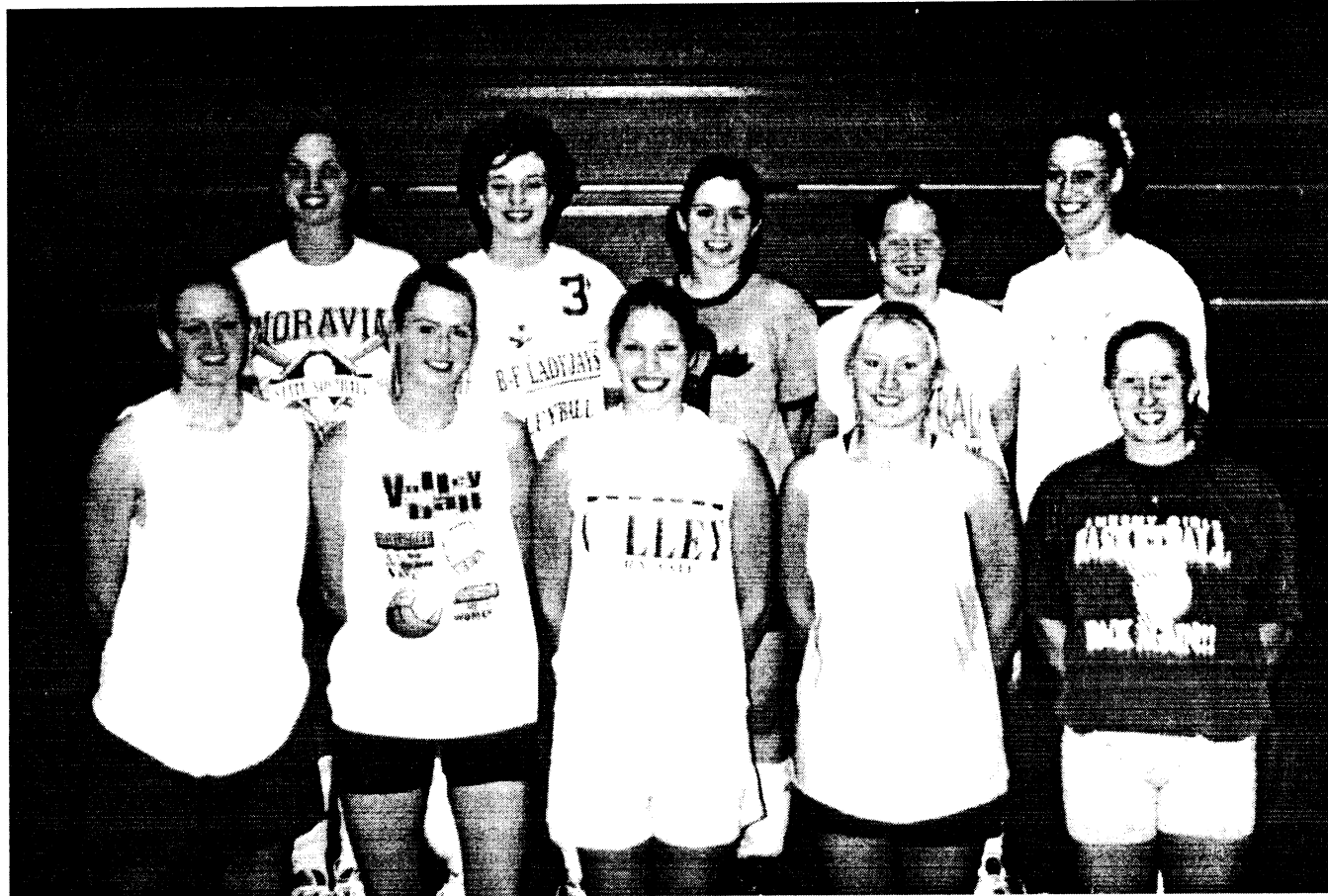


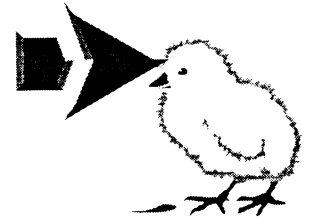
photo by Jay Cue

DMACC Boone Campus 1999 volleyball team includes the following members (front row, l. to r.) Tiffany Young, Stephanie Henderson, Emile Brooks, Leslie Howerton, Wendy Johnson (back row) Victoria Rowley, Tracy Shaw, Jaelyn Sprong, Kari Kirkegaard, and Janie Peters.

Off the wall

By Patrice Harson
Bear Facts Staff

This is your brain...



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1999 Women's Volleyball Schedule

September 22	Waldorf	Away	TBA
September 24-25	IWCB Tournament	Away	TBA
October 13	NIACC	Away	TBA
October 14	Kirkwood	Away	7:00
October 16	Ellsworth	Away	5:00
October 26	SWCC	Away	6:00
October 28	ICCC	Away	6:00
October 30	Iowa Lakes	Home	2:00

and tendencies to rally. Once the ball leaves the server's hand, nearly every head in the crowd is watching and anticipating. Split second timing and reaction is what differentiated the volleyball player from the average Pam, Sue and Mary.

"You are not only trying to outplay your opponent," Slight pointed out, "but also out-smart them."

Because there is no time limit in junior college volleyball, each team has a chance to win the game no matter what the deficit.

Not only is volleyball exciting to follow from game to game, but from season to season as well. No player, coach or fan knows what may develop next. "You're going to see a lot of changes in volley-

ball," Slight commented. "Every year there are different rule changes." Johnson has also seen his share of changes in his years of coaching.

"When I started," he stated, "you could only hit the ball from the waist up. Now you can use your feet."

The Bears have nine games left on their schedule, the last being their only remaining home game. The top eight teams in the conference at the end of the season advance to the conference tournament. With less than half of the amount of games most other conference teams have on their schedule, this task could be difficult. But with enough support and success in the rest of their games, it is not an impossible achievement.

Auditions

for the DMACC Boone Campus fall play
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The Front Row

By Jaret Morlan

This column is designed to inform the reader as to the quality of movies currently playing; what's good, what's not-so-good, and what's a complete waste of film space. Those of you who are new to this column will, of course, notice nothing different since you don't know any better. However, those of you who read this column will notice many changes, which, I hope, are for the better.

Starting this semester, I will be covering at least two movies an issue, sometimes more, where as I usually covered only one. Secondly, I will be posting a "HOT RENTALS" list about once a month to keep you updated as to what is good in video stores. The biggest change, however, is the ratings system itself.

Looking through past issues I've concluded that my original system was too vague and didn't provide the reader with a clear idea of the films' quality. So, I will be converting to the traditional (though cliché) star system. The highest rating a film can get is that of four stars and the lowest is a flat out BOMB.

I look forward to a semester of quality films and being able to inform you of them. I would like, in this first issue, to go over what I thought were some of the best films this summer.

American Pie ★★☆☆ (R)

Dir. Paul Weitz; Eugene Levy, Jason Biggs, Chris Klein, Thomas Ian Nicholas, Natasha Lyonne, Tara Reid, Mena Suvari, Eddi Kaye Thomas

This witty, though occasionally off-color, comedy about the sexual frustration of teenagers is frighteningly accurate and consistently side splitting. The story is about four high school friends who make a pact to lose their virginity by the time of their senior prom. This film is well played, sharply funny, and leaves no teenage stereotype untouched. The embarrassing situations and pleasant antics of the four stars leave no room for boredom. It is very worth seeing, but should be shielded from younger viewers.

Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me ★★☆☆ ½ (PG-13)

Dir. M. Jay Roach; Mike Myers, Heather Graham, Seth Green, Michael York, Rob Lowe, Robert Wagner

In the sequel to the ever popular *Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery*, Dr. Evil goes back in time to steal Austin Powers' Mojo, which is always Austin's largest strength. This film, though frequently funny with the same charm of the original, falls short due to the tone it generates. Sure, it's almost as funny as the

original, but only because its all of the same jokes! It also is a bit on the disgusting part at times. Even though its too similar to the first, that happens to also be one of its strengths. These are the gags we fell in love with, why not reiterate them? I suggest this movie to fans of the original only. Others may just be insulted by its campy themes and ridiculous antics. Sci-Fi fans will get a kick out of the subtle yet charming parodies.

Disney's Tarzan ★★☆☆ ½ (G)

Dir. Chris Buck and Kevin Lima; Voices of Glen Close, Minnie Driver, Brian Blessed, Rosie O'Donnell, Wayne Knight, Tony Goldwyn, Lance Henriksen, Nigel Hawthorne

Arguably the best Disney movie since *The Lion King*, this fast paced animated feature is about the second most filmed literature character in history, Tarzan. It follows his life from being orphaned to his acceptance into the ape family to his meeting Jane. This is quite possibly the best animation ever done by the Disney corporation. It's bright, beautiful and flowing. Each actor's voice is perfectly cast and the story, though familiar, never tires. Phil Collins wrote, composed, and performed all the music, which happened to prove a vital element to the film. One complaint; the movie was mis-rated. It should have been PG or PG-13. This is due to one scene, the demise of the movie's villain. It's not a bad thing by any means, I would just hate to have to explain it to a five year old.

Runaway Bride ★★☆☆ (PG)

Dir. Garry Marshall; Richard Gere, Julia Roberts, Joan Cusack, Rita Wilson, Hector Elizondo, Laurie Metcalf

Roberts plays a woman who has a history of running from the altar every time she attempts to get married. Gere is the reporter writing a feature on her who finds himself slowly falling for her. Very well acted and very charming, this film ranks up there on top of the romantic comedy list. This actor/director team has once again struck gold (their last project was *Pretty Woman* in '90) It is great to see Gere in a comedic role for once and he and Roberts have a chemistry comparable to Hepburn and Tracy. It's very funny, and very heartwarming and a great movie to watch in the company of a significant other.

The Blair Witch Project ★★☆☆ (R)

Dir. Daniel Myrick and Eduardo Sanchez; Heather Donahue, Michael C. Williams, Joshua Leonard

This low budget independent film is arguably the best film of the summer. It is very original, very real, and the scariest movie since *The Exorcist*. The story is about three film students who go into the woods to film a documentary and disappeared mysteriously. Three years later, their footage is found and that is what is seen in the film. What is so appealing, charming, and scary about this film, is it's seen as if you're looking through a cam-corder. One minor warning--it is filmed by a cam-corder, therefore it has that home video bouncy feeling. This can cause head-aches, eye irritation, or motion sickness. But if you can stand it, it's worth it!



Terry Shropshire

Acoustic man plays for Boone Campus

Chad Nelson

Bear Facts Staff

If you're a true music lover, then hopefully, you caught the one-man acoustical blues show performed by Terry Shropshire. The performance was held at the Courter Center on September 8, 1999.

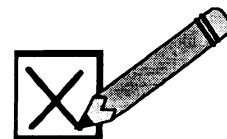
Shropshire, an Albert Lea, MN native, has been performing music most of his life in bands. However, during the past three years, he has concentrated on his solo career. His music consists of blues, standards (popular, jazz, and country), and his own originals which he is promoting on his second CD entitled *All I Ever Wanted*.

Music is Shropshire's life and full time job. Whether playing for hundreds of people in a downtown club in Minneapolis/St. Paul, or for a crowd of students and faculty at DMACC, he is always appreciated. "People always receive my best however large or small the crowd is. I just love playing," says Shropshire.

Terry Jamieson, the Athletic/Social director for the DMACC, booked Shropshire a couple of months before classes started. "I thought the students would like something different on campus, like a musician. If the students like him, we can do things like this more often," says Jamieson.

If you did see the show, enjoyed it and would like more information on Terry Shropshire's music, or on how to order CDs, he can be reached through his Web page (shrop@deskmedia.com). His next big performance will be held at the Radisson Hotel downtown St. Paul, MN on October 14-17, 1999. There he will be one of the showcase attractions.

Vote



Student Activities Council Election

Tuesday, September 21
8 a.m. to NoonStudents:
Get Involved in
Your School!

If you are a DMACC student interested in joining any of the clubs or activities DMACC has to offer, here is list of those with the people you will need to contact.

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Student Paper---Jan LaVille	433-5022
Drama Club----Kay Mueller	433-5094
Nursing Students	
United-----Connie Booth	433-5070
Student Activity	
Council (SAC)-Terry Jamieson	433-5030
Phi Beta	
Lambda-----Linda Plueger	433-5080
Fellowship of	
Christian	
Athletes-----Larry Schroeder	433-5024
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Rezoomers	
Club-----Maggie Stone	433-5037

BEAR FACTS

FEATURES

The Editorially Independent Voice of the DMACC Boone Campus

September 15, 1999

New civil engineering program on Boone Campus

By Scott Cue
Bear Facts Staff

One of the new faces in the halls of DMACC this fall belongs to Steve Nelsen, Instructor for the civil engineering program. This is the first year for the program here at DMACC and one of only three in the state and first for central Iowa.

Nelsen, lives in Jefferson, with his wife Marsha, and three boys, Joshua, Caleb, and Zachariah. After attending Denison high school, he moved on to a tech school in Arizona. Following that he took a job with the State of Arizona as an engineer technician then moved back to Ames, where he worked for the Department of Transportation, as a design technician.

Nelsen helped improve the structure of roads and highways. He designed, inspected and tested materials that would provide better and softer roads.

When most people hear about the new program, they are unsure of what it is. The Civil Engineering Tech (CET) field has a wide range of jobs. There are office jobs in Denison that mainly consist of computer-aided design. Then on the other side, the construction workers and

the project managers spend much of their time in the field.

The CET program will provide a student a well-rounded education in civil engineering. It is a two-year program that has a paid internship in between the first and second year.

Nelsen said "We have about 30 students in the program this semester, and with about 250 technicians needed in Iowa, job placement is 100%."



Steve Nelsen

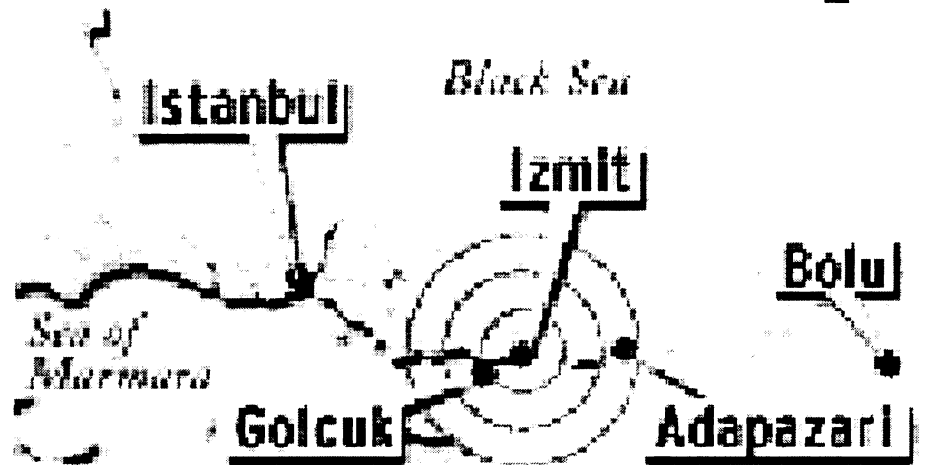
Library adds a touch of class

Zach Evans
Bear Facts Staff

As the new school year begins, much of the school looks the same. Many veteran students remark that nothing seems to change except the library. Needless to say, the new look of the library wasn't a surprise to many students, but most of the students were in for a pleasant surprise at the new face behind the desk.



David Buffington



Earthquakes ravish Turkey

Josh Keller
Managing editor

August 17, 1999 has become a day that not many people shall soon forget. It was the day that Mother Nature made her presence known. In the Northwestern region of Turkey more than 25,000 apartment blocks were either damaged or destroyed leaving an estimated 600,000 Turks without homes. The latest death toll states that some 14,022 people died, totaling more than the population of Boone. An additional 27,164 people were injured.

Even after the initial earthquake the

Turks worries were far from over. On Aug. 31 tremors measuring 5.2 on the Richter scale swept the northwestern part of the country, destroying those buildings that had been damaged by the original quake.

The land is scarred and the people are scared. Huddled masses have vacated the ruined cities they once called home. Weeks later tens of thousands of people still live in tent cities, far away from buildings that could collapse during the next tremor.

The destruction is extensive and it will be a long while before it is safe for the Turks to go back home. The earthquake left behind damages that have been estimated at \$10 billion. The Turkish government is currently seeking a bond backed by the US that would go towards financing building shelter for those that have lost their homes.

A prayer goes out to all those that died or lost loved ones during Mother Nature's fury. Any student or staff member wishing to help those that lost so much can send contributions by mail to TAAC-Earthquake Relief Fund PO Box 404 Monterey, CA 93942-0404 Or by calling the Red Cross at 1-800-HFIPNOW



Kriss Philips

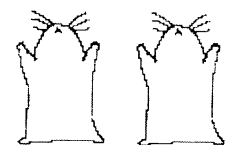
Credit hours up

As of 8 a.m. September 14, 1999, the number of students enrolled at DMACC Boone campus is 1127 students. Those students are taking combined 11,218 credit hours.

Enrollment is down slightly from last fall. However, even though there are fewer students, they are taking more credit hours. In the fall of 1998, there were 1137 students taking 11,044 credit hours.

"The students appear to have a serious attitude about their studies," Boone Campus Executive Dean Kriss Philips explains. He adds, "We've gotten off to an excellent start. There have been very few problems, and I predict another great year is in store."

HAMSTERS



PURLOINED from
the Psych Department!
Dr. Martino expects



GRILLING
Soon

Story to follow in next issue
of the *Bear Facts*

Wanted: *Intelligent, hard-working students to apply for the Student Action Council. May be either full-time or part-time student. No age requirement and no experience needed. Flexible working hours. Apply to Terry Jamieson.*

Zach Evans*Bear Facts Staff*

"I don't know what more I can do!" Terry Jamieson, adviser to the Student Action Council, or SAC, said frustratedly. "It's hard for me to believe the lack of interest we've had in the SAC," said Jamieson.

The Student Action Council is a group of students who plan and oversee many of the activities on campus. They also decide how to use some of the activity money from student admissions. Last year, the SAC sponsored a pizza feed, and the return of DMACC's homecoming, among other things.

Both full-time and part-time students can be members of the SAC. The only requirement of SAC members is that they apply. A forum with the candidates will be held on Sept. 20, and the actual election will take place Sept. 21. The deadline for application is today, Sept. 15. Make sure that you get involved with your student government and your school.

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Phi Theta Kappa

Community College
Honor Society

Sept. 21
12:45 p.m.
Courter Center

Spilled Creativity

Welcome back, Boone Campus, to a new school year and a new column in the *Bear Facts*. This column is a little different than most, however, because you, as students, will be the writers.

Spilled Creativity is a column for your own works: poetry, short stories, photography, paintings, etc. (*Bear Facts* will photograph sculptures and paintings/works of art, and scan any photography entries.)

In order for this column to work, however, students need to submit their works. Students can either drop entries off in the *Bear Facts* office (Room 210), in Jan LaVille's office (Room 212), talk to any of the *Bear Facts* staff members, or e-mail written entries as an attachment to livvy24@hotmail.com.

As we are often limited on space in each issue, we ask that your entries are kept under two pages, double-spaced. Anything longer may be segmented into

a multi-issue series.

Students are asked to submit as many entries as they wish, but, again, due to space don't be offended if every entry does not go to print.

Please contact Olivia Hoff with any questions at (515) 432-9565 or livvy24@hotmail.com.

Ode to a Brick by Olivia Hoff

To be a brick
In the walls
Of this classroom
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