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Blinded by the light

College is difficult, but even more so when you go into it with your eyes closed. Actually, this experiment was the brainstorm of Pat Thieben, whose Psychology class was learning about trustworthiness. Patti Heaps, left, led her unsuspecting "victim": Kathy Steffenson, right into our photographer's trap.
Opinion

This is your newspaper

STUDENTS, FACULTY and STAFF,

Welcome back to all returning students, greetings to all new students and I hope that you have settled in and that promises to be another great year at DMACC! This first issue of Bear Facts should help better acquaint you with the school. In the following months, it will have regular features such as sports, intramurals, campus calendar, rec. club news, and opinion page. Although Bear Facts is put together by the college has five special spaces for the handicapped with at least five handicapped vehicles and when even one violator parks in these areas it makes a handicapped person more dependent on others while the violator serves his or her own lazy needs.

There are two ways to possibly solve this condition—

First, there should be stricter laws governing this and enforced by every shop, school, or city handing out fines the same as they would for any other violation with the chance of tow-away fines. This still may not be strong enough.

The second condition is to educate these and all people as they do drunk drivers or reckless drivers. Only by education will these people know and understand how hard it is for the handicapped individuals to get even a few yards. PLEASE respect the handicapped as they respect you.

Respect reserved parking

By JANE KOENIG

Have you ever wanted to go to work, shopping, or even to school and find the only parking place was in the last row, far corner of a lot?

For the strong healthy individual this may not be a problem, but how do the people with handicaps walk or wheel a wheelchair that distance in all types of weather. We the handicapped don't. The handicapped people stay home or did until recent years when this need for easy access to buildings became more apparent. The government has helped make it possible for the handicapped to get out more without help by passing a law designating special parking areas close to entrances of buildings. This helps until someone able to do the walking decides it is easier to park in a handicapped space. The application required

Each student who plans to earn an Associate in Arts Degree, Associate in Science Degree or Program Diploma MUST file a "Graduation Application" with the Student Records Office which the student expects to complete by midterm of the term preceding the term in which they expect to complete graduation requirements. A student will be considered a candidate for graduation only upon proper completion and filing of the "Graduation Application" form.

While a student must complete requirements for graduation during any term, commencement exercises will be held only at the end of spring term.

Prospective FALL graduates-MUST be received by September 30

Prospective SPRING graduates-MUST be received by October 25

Be sure and stop

Please observe and obey the stop sign on the north side of the school when leaving the parking lot. It was put there for a purpose. Thank you.

Transcript information

TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS-Transcript requests left in the office before noon may be picked up after 3 p.m. that same day. Any requests received after noon will be available for pick up after 9 a.m. the following day. Also, the information requested on the RIGHT side of the request form must be filled in completely—If a student is requesting a copy for himself or herself, please note that it is a STUDENT COPY.

The Bear Facts

THE BEAR FACTS is the official student publication of the Boone Campus of the Des Moines Area Community College. The staff welcomes suggestions and contributions, which should be submitted to the editor. The newsletter is published nine times a year and is distributed free to the students, staff and friends of the school.

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Welcome from Dean

In my opinion Boone Campus has begun Fall term very successfully. Everyone has adjusted to campus life with a minimum of confusion. I encourage each one to take your school work very seriously because your studies this year will have a definite effect on your future education and or vocational choice. Also, I sincerely hope that everyone has an active and fulfilling social life. Good Luck!

Kriss W. Phillips
Boone Campus Dean

Hog roast out?

By JANE KOENIG

With the change from quarters to semesters this year there is a possibility the weather will be against a spring hog roast.

Spring semester ends May 4, 1984, and the week before is scheduled for finals. The roast is usually two weeks before the term ends, but this will run into ball tournaments and then Good Friday; which will put it up to the first part of April and schedules for the unpredictable Iowa weather argues for some sort of change.

It has been suggested the students could go with a Fall hog roast in late October this year or have it inside in the early spring -April. Also the students could join with the Ankeny campus next fall with a central location between both campuses.

The Student Senate will be elected Oct. 5 and they are seeking comment from students and staff about the roast.

They offer the following possible solutions and questions. Comments should go to a Student Senate member by Oct. 5.

1. Join the Ankeny Campus next fall
2. Have a hog roast in late October of this year.
3. Have a hog roast inside next spring?
4. Where should it be held
5. Time of day or evening when it should be held
6. Do you want the Sober Chauffeur (a service begun last year to provide an abstinate driver for safe transportation of party goers)
7. Isn't the activity fee collected to pay for events such as this If it isn't held where will the money go

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The student selects the tutor from a list of qualified individuals and the student and tutor set up their own schedule for instruction.

Career help is offered


Choiceing between degrees

Many students have heard the terms Associate in Science Degree (A.S.), and Associate of Arts Degree (A.A.), but how many actually know the difference between the two? Both the A.S. degree and the A.A. degree require 64 credit hours in order to receive a degree. The difference between the two degrees lies in core requirements.

The core requirements lie in four areas: communications, social sciences, math and sciences, and the humanities.

Eight credit hours are required in communications for both degrees. The A.A. degree requires composition I, II, and speech. The A.S. degree requires composition I, speech, and one additional course of one's choice.

Eight credit hours are also required for both degrees in social sciences. The A.A. degree requires a student to complete one course from three specific groups, and a fourth course, if needed, may be selected from any group.

The A.S. degree has no specific requirements as long as they are social science classes.

The third area of core requirements is mathematics. The A.A. degree requires eight credit hours in math and science. It requires one laboratory course and two years of high school algebra or at least one math course numbered 100 or above. The A.S. degree requires five credit hours in any math or science class.

The fourth area of core requirements is the humanities. The A.A. degree requires eight credit hours, while an A.S. degree requires four credit hours in humanities.

The A.A. degree and the A.S. degree both require two credit hours in physical education with the exception of the individual 25 years of age or older.

In total the A.A. degree has 40 core requirements, and the A.S. degree has 25 core requirements.

Both degrees are transferable to four year colleges.
Pufferbilly Days were active

By COLETTE GUNNICK

The DMACC Recreation Club was very active in Pufferbilly Days, an annual celebration honoring Boone's railroad history. Pufferbilly Days were held Sept. 9-11. The recreation Club sponsored and worked on four events during the weekend. The events included a bingo tent, sno-cone machine, canoe races and the building of a DMACC float which participated in Saturday's parade.

The bingo tent served as a shelter from the rain and sun for those participating in the activities. It also gave the celebrants a chance to rest their feet and listen to the live music of the street bands while obtaining a chance to win a prize in bingo. The tent was staffed by students from Boone and Ankeny. This is the third year the club has sponsored the bingo tent at Pufferbilly Days.

The sno-cone machine was another project. Proceeds from the bingo tent and the sno-cone machine will go to the club's trip to Kansas City early in October.

The recreation club was also responsible for the canoe races. A total of 27 canoes participated in the races on Saturday. The races were divided into three categories - women, men and mixed category.

A combined effort of 20 people spent a total of 30 hours working on the DMACC float of the Pufferbilly Day Parade.

The float's theme was "Ridin' the Rails for a Brighter Future at DMACC." The float consisted of two hay racks. The first rack had a rainbow made of crepe paper flowers. Students sat on hay bales on the first rack. The second rack was the performance area for the band "Sweettooth" which performed songs along the parade route.

Tutors available for troubling topics

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Rec Club to Ely

Each summer for the past nine years a group of recreation students have traveled to Ely, Minn., the great north country in Minnesota, to enjoy the beauty of the boundary waters.

In the past years one trip was made up month, but due to the large number wanting to go two trips were made last summer. A total of 16 people took the voyage which consisted of four days of canoeing, camping, fishing and enjoying the outdoors.

The trip is in conjunction with the outdoor recreation class which teaches the students how to live and enjoy the outdoors.

This trip is an educational experience for all people involved. According to Bill Alley, chairperson of the Recreation program, "It's a great opportunity for all students to learn more about their surroundings, peers and beauty of nature."

Activities around campus

By PATTI BENDER

Are you tired of sitting around with nothing to do? For all you sport nuts, check out the YMCA located at 608 Carroll St. The "Y" has weight equipment, gyms, an indoor swimming pool and lots of other recreational activities. Also, be sure to check with a local high school, the Boone Campus DMACC, or Iowa State University for upcoming events.

Ogden, located eight miles west of Boone, also offers a few activities. During the winter months, the indoor pool at the Ogden High School is open on Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1-4 p.m. Admission is $1 for adults and 50 cents for students. The gym is also open during these hours and the cost is 50 cents.

The Spinning Wheels, the roller skating rink located in Ogden is open for both public skating and private parties. If you need more information call 215-2434.

Ames has many things to offer. Check out the C.Y. Stephens Auditorium and the Hilton Coliseum for upcoming events.

For all you new students who aren't familiar with the Boone area, be sure to check out the posters and announcements posted around the school.

Kansas City here we come

By COLETTE GUNNICK

The DMACC Recreation Club will take off for Kansas City for the National Recreation and Park Associations Annual Congress from Oct.1 through Oct. 5. Approximately 10,000 people will attend the congress, with an expected 55 participants from the Boone and Ankeny recreation club.

The conference will include various workshops and seminars in all aspects of recreation. The workshops include topics in therapeutic recreations, urban recreation, and park recreation. Many other areas will also be offered as workshops or seminars.

At last year's conference one clinic was held focusing on youth coaches. They dealt with the concept of stressing winning or learning. They talked of a coaches clinic which would certify coaches in first aid, umpiring and other areas.

Roxann Dittr, a second year recreation student who attended last year's conference said it is a great opportunity to meet important people in recreation who someday might be your boss. She said you meet the people at a personal level rather than a professional basis.

In Bill Alley, Recreation Club sponsor, stated, "It is an excellent opportunity for the students to meet influential people in the field of recreation, as well as learn about current issues and trends in the field."