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Audit Findings Released

by GUY MECKER

Special state audit findings released recently linked the top financial officer at DMACC, Eugene Snyder, with the misappropriation of nearly $55,000 in college money over the past four years.

The audit says 854.719 "belonging to the college had been misappropriated. The "DMACC funds " were withdrawn in cash, personal checks or cashier's checks and deposited to Eugene Snyder's personal bank accounts."

College President Joe Borgen recommended that Snyder's contract be terminated after the news. The school's board of directors was to act on the recommendation Tuesday, Dec. 10, if Snyder had not asked for a hearing.

Snyder was suspended with pay Oct. 11, when word of the missing money was publicized.

Copies of the audit have been sent to the Polk County attorney, the Iowa attorney general and the Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation.

Assistant County Attorney Fred Gay said his office would decide whether Snyder will be charged.

The audit said the misappropriation began in early August, 1981 when Deloitte, Haskins & Sells, a certified public accounting firm, sent a $1,500 bill to the college in care of Snyder. The bill "was altered to read $6,500 and submitted to DMACC's business office for payment," according to the audit.

"A check was prepared by DMACC and returned to Mr. Snyder, who was to forward the payment to the accounting firm. The check was deposited to a bank account opened by Mr. Snyder," the audit states.

Previous audits did not discover the missing money because "I think it's the kind of activity that is very difficult to detect. The money is not expected and not part of our accounting system," Borgen said.

Kasey Kiplinger, deputy state auditor, said the audit did not find out how Snyder spent the money. They also found "no indication" that other officials were involved, he said.

Over 250 Attend Open House

by GUY MECKER

Boone Campus held its fourth annual open house and new teachers' reception Monday, Nov. 18, with over 250 attending the special event.

This year's open house reception was quite different from previous receptions because it combined a welcome of new employees, with the honoring of scholarship recipients. It also allowed the scholarship sponsors to meet the recipients. There were over 20 scholarship recipients attending.

Dean Kriss Phillips, Boone Campus, said, "I could not have been more pleased with community turnout and the cooperation from Boone Campus employees in this professionally conducted open house."

The scholarship recipients and donors, along with staff members, first met in the auditorium to listen to brief comments from various business people and organizations that have been associated with Boone Campus. Guests were then given a tour of the building. The evening ended with the scholarship recipients and sponsors meeting each other and enjoying refreshments in the Campus Center lounge.

DMACC officials attending the open house included Joseph Borgen, DMACC president; Jerry Moskus, Cary Israel, and Ann Schodde, vice presidents; Ken Shibata, Carroll Campus dean; and Phillips.

Also in attendance were ambassadors of the Boone Chamber of Commerce, welcoming people to Boone.

The open house was co-sponsored by the Boone Campus Foundation, Boone Chamber of Commerce, and the Boone Campus Employees Association.

The Time Is Right!

by TERRI FAIRCHILD

A new clock system arrived at Boone Campus Tuesday, Nov. 19.

The system was installed by Simplex Time Recorder Company of Des Moines.

The new clock system is very complex. All the clocks in the building are controlled by a digital master clock that resets itself every 12 hours, and subsequently sets all the other clocks in the building to the correct time.

The clocks were needed due to damage of the old system earlier in the semester by a storm.

Russ Sandy, left, Howard Stutzman and Earl Senholz present a scholarship to Lynn Lawson during the Boone Campus open house, Monday, Nov. 18. Many other students were honored at the event.

Mr. and Mrs. Arne Hard, at right, are visiting during open house reception, Nov. 18.

Merry Christmas from The Bear Facts Staff
What Are Your Christmas Plans?

by DAVE PHIPPS

What are you doing over Christmas break? This seems to be a popular question on campus right now.

Susan Miller: Moving to Maine and saying goodbye to all my friends.

Sabra Borich: Spending time with my family and practicing my gorilla dunk.

Brian Murken: Going to see my grandparents.

Troy Oversstreet: Working and hunting.

Kevin Young: Working and hunting.

Kellie Phipps: Spending time with my family and playing in the snow.

Jon Musfeldt: Spending time with my family and girlfriend.

Lora Ahrens: Going on a rat patrol with Kellie.

Dan Coder: Playing basketball and going hunting.

Dee Harvey: Going shopping and making blizzards.

Mary Smalley: Working, partying, and loafing.

Shawn Miers: Hunting and partying.

Merry Christmas

CAMPUS VIEW

by PAT NEPERENY

If there was only one thing you could have for Christmas, what would it be?

Anthony DeLaCruz: My picture in the paper.

Dee Harvey: I'll never tell!

Lora Ahrens: A baby colt.

Brooke Kelley: To win the Iowa lottery.

Kathy Hanson: A red Mercedes convertible.
Notes from The Dean

by KRIS PHILIPS

The Boone Campus basketball season has opened in the Boone Campus gymnasium. The next home game of the season will be Saturday, Dec. 14, at 6:30 p.m. with Iowa Lakes.

I fully anticipate an exciting basketball season this year. The Lady Bears and the Bears need all of our encouragement and support to help them have a rewarding and successful basketball season.

We plan to continue with our past practices of encouraging our Boone Campus employees and their families and students to attend all home ball games.

I hope to see you in the gym!!

I may need to again consider canceling school at Boone Campus because of inclement weather.

Oftentimes, this decision is a difficult and confusing one to make. There are times that it will be necessary to deviate from the closing of the Ankeny Campus. When in my best judgment these times exist, I will take the appropriate action.

I plan to arrive at this decision no later than 5:30 a.m. if the conditions in the early morning hours warrant.

I will notify the local radio station, KWBG, 1590 AM, immediately upon my decision. Then I will notify Delbert Peter and Donna King.

As time does not permit me to notify everyone, the most logical way for you to learn of our school closing would be to listen to KWBG. Other stations that will be notified are KCIM, Carroll; KEZT-FM, Ames and KDLS, Perry and Jefferson.

If the weather conditions during the school day warrant an early dismissal, I will make that decision, notify the staff, and notify the radio stations as soon as possible.

School cancellation for evening school will be considered separately from school cancellation during the daytime as weather conditions may improve during the day, and classes may be held at night when they have been canceled during the daytime.

A decision to cancel evening classes will be made no later than 4:30 p.m.

D. Macc Bear entertains the crowd at the first home basketball game against Marshalltown, Monday, Nov. 18.
Speakers and Trips for Bus. Class

by GUY MEEKER

Does Introduction to Business sound interesting? Donna Bildner's fall semester Introduction to Business class attempts to make business more than a textbook subject. The class explores current topics in two ways, including field trips and speakers.

The class took a field trip to the DeKalb Seed Corn processing plant. Here they were given a tour of the operations and shown how quality control is used.

Another trip was taken to the Fareway Warehouse, Boone. The idea was to show the use of the "middleman" in the business world, according to Bildner.

All field trips and guest speakers are coordinated by the students. They make all the arrangements, except transportation.

The class has had speakers ranging from a loan officer giving tips on first time borrowing, to Iowa Sen. Jack Nygren giving a firsthand account on serving on the Iowa Commerce Commission.

Because many speakers would probably be asked to repeat their appearance, the class will not offer the same format next semester, but will return to it again in the fall of 1986, Bildner says.

George Silberhorn, director of student services, mingles with the Boone Campus open house reception crowd.

Use Caution on Winter Driving

It's best to stay home when winter storms are imminent. But if travel is unavoidable, here are some suggestions from AAA Iowa that increase your chances for a safe trip.

Plan primary and alternate routes for the trip. Let friends or relatives know where you are going, when you are leaving, when you plan to arrive, and the routes you will take. Monitor road and weather reports.

Take storms seriously. Seek off-road shelter immediately when ice hits or when snow becomes deep on the roadway or restricts your vision.

If you become trapped in a storm, AAA Iowa urges you and your passengers to stay in the vehicle. Exposure to the elements could be fatal. Run the engine and heater just enough to keep from getting unbearably cold. Keep a window slightly open and keep snow away from the tailpipe to allow exhaust gases to dissipate. These precautions will reduce the possibility of carbon monoxide poisoning. Keep moving inside the car; clap your hands and periodically flex your muscles. It's important to stay active and awake.
Bah! Humbug!

by SHANNON SODER

Well, boys and girls, the Christmas season is upon us and the shopping days are running out quickly.

It’s time to dig the Christmas tree out of the attic and try to assemble it in the living room. Sure, the color-coded branches make it easier, but when are they going to start putting paint on that doesn’t fade or chip entirely away?

Once the tree is erected though, it’s all downhill.

That is, until you attempt to untangle the light strings and replace the bulbs that are burned out or broken off in the sockets. After that, it’s easy. There’s nothing hard about hanging styrofoam gingerbread men or scented, plastic candy canes. The tinsel is a little tricky, depending on which kind you use. If you’re smart, you’ll use the icicle type. That way you can just grab a fistful, step back, take careful aim and let it fly. The string tinsel, or garland, is another story and you’ll best have a ladder and a first aid kit ready.

Hanging the stockings by the fireplace is no big deal, … unless you don’t have a fireplace. In that case, a microwave oven will have to suffice. If you don’t have a microwave, you can just hang your stocking where the oven would look nice, and then ask Santa for one!

Presents are always nice, too. What to get and who to get it for? Wrapping presents is a pain, too. Is there any law that says those corners have to be even, or that you have to use Scotch or transparent tape? What’s wrong with throwing the present in a plain old grocery sack, circling it a couple of times with electrical tape, and writing Merry Christmas on it with a black marker?

And just how do you wrap a ceramic frog paperweight, anyway? Better yet, how do you politely thank somebody for giving you a ceramic frog paperweight?

“Oh! Thank you! It’s what I’ve always wanted!!” Translated, it all boils down to “What is this ugly piece of rubbish?”

Of course, if they’re careful about taking off the tape, they can always use the grocery sack … for something.

There is a much brighter side to Christmas, but don’t talk to me about it.

Ho! Ho! Hum!

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Cold Engine Remedies

Even though you have your motor vehicle perfectly maintained, there’s still a chance that it won’t start on a bitterly cold Iowa morning. Here are some common, everyday things from AAA Iowa you can do to increase chances of getting your vehicle’s engine started, even if you don’t have a garage:

- Park heading south; or park on the south side of a building, using the building as a windbreak.
- When the engine is warm, cover the hood with a tarp or blanket.

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Slam Corner
by MARC WOLEVER

Well, Husker fans, how long has it been since your awesome offense has been shut down? Nebraska wasn’t even in that game. It was a “Sooners Sooner” show all afternoon.

Hawk fans, your team proved to everyone that their Big Red neighbors take the back door to the Hawks in 1985-86. The Hawks clinched their hopes for the Rose Bowl with an impressive win over the Golden Gophers from Minnesota.

We can’t leave the Cyclones fans out, with their upset victory over Oklahoma State. (Maybe the Huskers should ask the Cyclones how to handle people from Oklahoma.)

The Hawks are Rose Bowl bound and the Huskers are off the ever popular Fiesta Bowl. Boy! I can’t decide which game would be better to watch.

Well, at any rate, the Huskers better take their offense inside for a warm jump start . . .

DMACC - Boone Campus freshmen from left: Dan Scott, Gordon Anderson, and Kirk Vinchattle recently competed in the North American Natural Bodybuilding Championships held in Minneapolis, Minn. Scott placed first in the medium class, Vinchattle placed third, and Anderson placed fifth in the tall class. Scott and Anderson plan on competing in the same contest next year. Vinchattle placed third, and Anderson placed fifth in the tall class.

Lady Bears Faring Well
by MARC WOLEVER

The Lady Bears stood at 1-1 following their first two games this season.

The Lady Bears stomped Marshalltown, 59-51, in the opener at home, Nov. 18.

Coach Dick Criner commented, “We played well but we need to focus on some key things in upcoming practices including utilizing our defense and becoming more consistent shooters.”

In the second game, the Lady Bears fell to Mason City, 61-47, there.

Team leaders following the first two bouts were Julie Nieland, 15.5 points per game; Deanna Hoch, 14; and Kelly Hartzler, 12.

Lady Bears pictures will appear in the next issue of The Bear Facts

Safe Winter Driving

Safe winter driving requires planning, caution, and concentration, according to AAA Iowa.

Maintaining a longer than normal following distance will allow drivers more time to handle hazardous situations. Starting smoothly and stopping gently will allow drivers to maintain more control of the vehicle. To slow or stop on slippery pavement, pump the brakes lightly or downshift if your vehicle’s manufacturer recommends it. Begin braking much earlier than you would on dry pavement. Some safety experts recommend shifting to neutral or depressing the clutch pedal to cut power to the drive wheels. The maneuver should be practiced in an off-street area before it is used in traffic.

When approaching an incline, check whether the vehicles ahead of you are having traction problems. Leave room so you can maintain momentum by accelerating gradually.

Don’t be fooled by warming temperatures. When it’s 32”, stopping distances on ice are twice as great as those when the temperature is zero. Be alert for icy patches in shaded highway areas. And remember, bridges and overpasses freeze before roads do because of the cold air passing beneath them.

When parking, leave yourself an out. If the snow is heavy, maneuver in and out of the space a few times to make tracks.
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Teacher Feature

Kelly enjoys atmosphere at Boone Campus

by GUY MEEKER

This month's featured teacher, Bruce Kelly, has worked at Boone Campus for two and a half years.

Kelly has taught American history and political science classes here since he started teaching part-time in the fall of 1983. He commutes from his Des Moines home every day.

Kelly admits that the drive from Des Moines can be tedious in the winter, but boasts that since he began here, he has only missed one class due to road conditions.

Kelly received his BA in history from Kearney State College in Kearney, Neb. He then went on to receive an MA in political science at ISU. He is currently taking more classes at ISU in economics three days per week for "professional advancement."

Kelly has a six-year-old son and likes to get involved in politics during the election years.

Kelly commented that he enjoys Boone Campus because of the "casual atmosphere."

News Briefs

Registration
As of November 20, Rich Finnestad, coordinator of student services, reported 364 students or 60% of the current enrollment were registered for the spring semester.

Registration will continue through January 10, 1980.

Campus Number
A wrong telephone number has been released on several occasions for the Boone Campus, according to Dean Kriss Philips.

Please note the correct listing is (515) 432-7203.

DMACC Final Exam Schedule

Fall Semester

Thursday, December 12 (Tuesday/Thursday classes)

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EVENING/SATURDAY classes will have their finals the last night/day of class.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS
Wishing you the best that the season has to offer you and yours!