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Read at Your Own Risk!

The DMACC - Boone Campus Bear Facts staff today presents a comical and zany look at life on Boone Campus, in observance of April Fool's Day!

We've included such fictional news stories as a new uniform required to be worn by students, to a look at a new sports complex, to a very interesting teacher feature. You'll also want to take a look at the letters to the editor column. The articles are designed to give you a little laugh or chuckle in what seems like, at times, a cold, cruel world.

We have used some names of people you will recognize in the stories. Please, do not be offended!

So, with this brief introduction now behind you, go ahead... read at your own risk!

Boone Bear Seen
The Boone Bear, for which the official school mascot was named, was recently sighted by a group of Boone Campus students while they were picnicking near Ledges State Park, south of Boone. Although the students managed to get a few pictures of Boone Bear, who was last seen 50 years ago, it wasn't long before he again disappeared into the thickly wooded area. The students commented Boone Bear did look mighty strong, and decided the bear was an excellent choice as school mascot.

Mandatory Dress Code is Enacted For Students Here
by MAJUEL ARMSTEAD
Staff Writer

The administration of DMACC - Boone Campus met earlier this month to determine if its students should conform to a standard dress code. After careful deliberation, it was decided that all DMACC students must wear a specified uniform. There will be three uniforms from which to choose.

Males are required to wear gray slacks, navy jackets with a DMACC insignia on the right breast pocket, a white shirt and a burgundy tie. A pair of white socks to match the shirt is also a must. All males must also wear either brown or burgundy loafers.

Females must wear gray kneelength skirts, white shirts with burgundy bow ties, navy jackets with DMACC insignia and white hosiery. Females must also wear either brown or burgundy loafers. (Insertion of pennies is optional.) During the winter months, females may add gray narrow-legged slacks to their attire. They can either choose to wear the slacks separately or under the skirt.

The administration decided the mandatory dress code will improve DMACC's image, even though it feels the dress code would not go over well with the students. But the administration decided to enact the mandatory dress code in spite of the students' negative stand.

Philips Announces DMACC is Now 4-Year Institution
by BRAD DAGGER
Staff Writer

DMACC - Boone Campus will be turned into a four-year university for the 1987-88 school year, according to Dean Kriss Phillips. It will cost around $30 million to remodel the school, and the money will come from the revenue gained from previous Boone Campus sporting events.

Bear Facts to Become Daily
by ANDY NELSON
Staff Writer

The Bear Facts campus newspaper, now a monthly publication, will soon be converted to a daily paper, beginning April 1.

Jill Burkhart, advisor of Bear Facts, says, "There is just too much news around the campus to squeeze into a monthly paper. Our highly qualified staff of reporters and photographers works too darn hard to have articles cut because of the lack of space."

Because of the constant work that will be involved in a daily issue, the school has agreed to purchase a printing press and the necessary computer typesetting equipment to do the work for the staff.

Due to the large investment, the paper will cost 50c for Monday through Saturday issues and $1 for a special Sunday issue, containing color comics and want ads!

The staff is very proud of the paper's growing popularity over the last year and thanks students for their support.

Have a SAFE and happy April Fool's Day!
New Classes At Boone Campus

by BRAD DAGGER
Staff Writer

There will be many new classes offered for the 1987-1988 school year. Since DMACC in Boone will then be a four-year university, it was decided by the board to add some new classes to the present curriculum.

Some of the new physical education classes will be body building for women, backgammon and advanced backgammon, Nerf tennis, ping pong, log rolling and ice skating.

These classes will all be held in the new coliseum to be built in June.

Some other classes to be offered are: laser technology in the $15 million science center, marine biology, hydrotherapeutic conditioning, study of invertebrates, study of invertebrates, I and II, advanced journalism with internships at The Des Moines Register, photography of yuppies.

Novel writing, presidential speaking (taught by Kay Mueller), how to be a governor, Plane Hijacking 1 and 2, study of sand particles under a microscope, and psychology of psychotics.

In addition to these new classes, the accounting, English and business departments will all be enlarged to provide more advanced programs.

No More Smoking

In a memo released by campus officials, it was announced there will be no more smoking on Boone Campus. All smoking must take place outside the buildings. The custodians will be monitoring the situation and issuing $20 fines for those who break the new rule.

Here's a History of April Fool's Day

by MAJUEL ARMSTEAD
Staff Writer

Many years ago when the new year began in the spring, there was a celebration known as a “Feast of Fools,” the time of the New Year. This observance originated in France after the adaption of a reformed calendar by Charles IX in 1564.

This change in the calendar confused many people, but after a time, it led to the fun of exchanging antics and false greetings for the first of the year.

April begins on the same day of the zodiac sign of the fish, so the French call it “Fooling the April Fish Day.” Up until that time, the New Year festivities began on March 21 and ended April 1.

In English-speaking countries, men, women and children play ridiculous, but harmless pranks on friends and family alike on April Fool’s Day. The victim of the prank is called an April fool.

There have been many funny circumstances to which people have been exposed on this fun-filled day.

In 1860, several hundred Londoners received invitations to the “Annual Ceremony of Washing the Lions” at the Tower of London. When the people arrived in droves, there was no ceremony. It was April 1.

On April 1 in Scotland, one of the favorite jokes was called “hunting the gawk,” which sent some poor fool on a wild goose chase for a nonexistent gawk. The person who fell for this prank was called a gawk, or cuckoo.

In the U.S., pranks such as putting a bucket of water over the door and waiting for someone to open the door, to leaving a phone message for a friend asking him to call Mr. Lyon, are pulled. (By the way, Mr. Lyon resides at the city zoo.)

April Fool’s Day is meant to be fun. So celebrate this day with good, clean fun! April Fools!

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 newspaper is published nine times a year and is distributed free to the students, staff and friends of the school.

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Lisa Mescher was one of the last Boone Campus students to enjoy the student lounge. As an addition to the recently approved remodeling project, it was decided the lounge would be closed to make room for more classes. The pop and candy machines were also removed. Vending machines containing nutritious treats such as fruit, nuts and milk, are now in the hallways.
Cafeteria Now Open
24 Hours a Day

by MAJUEL ARMSTEAD
Staff Writer

Did you forget to have your breakfast before coming to class this morning? Well, don't worry about it. You can have your breakfast right here at the Boone Campus cafeteria, now open 24 hours per day. You can start your day with a bagel, toast or croissant with your coffee and then go to class.

Lee Strain and Irene Kunce operate the Boone Campus cafeteria in the Campus Center. They will not only serve you breakfast, but lunch, supper and midnight snacks as well. The food is very nutritious and all prepared in the cafeteria. Besides the basic beverages of coffee, tea and juice, the menu ranges from English muffins to nachos. The lunch foods usually consist of submarine and croissant sandwiches and various soups. Fruit and fresh vegetables such as carrot and celery sticks are also sometimes available.

Strain, manager of the cafeteria, plans the menu, shops for the groceries and prepares the food. She said, "The students generally like the food, but there are some that you just can't please. Everyone loves French fries and the deep-fried food items."

Kunce, an assistant, commented, "The students do seem to like the food, but we still get complaints that maybe the bread is too dry or we don't have enough variety."

The food prices range from five cents to 25 cents.

Letter to the Editor—
Hearst Comments on Campus Newspaper

Dear Bear Facts staff:

This is the best newspaper I've ever had the privilege to read. I commend you. The choice of story subjects is outstanding and the in-depth reporting shows that your writers spend lots of time digging out the facts. The only criticism I have is with the name of your publication, The Bear Facts! I mean, come on, get real! That's the type of name used for a student-produced paper. This is obviously the work of professional writers. I have yet to meet a student who can contribute this caliber of writing.

Let's see if you can find a more distinguished name for such a fine publication!

Best wishes,
William Randolph Hearst

Cheerleaders in Magazine

The DMACC - Boone Campus cheerleaders will appear in the May issue of Mademoiselle magazine, according to a press release by company officials. The release said, "The girls were chosen from over 2,000 other cheer squads for their poise and beauty." Congratulations to the campus cheer squad!

Snow Storm Cancels Daytona Spring Break Trip

Eleven students left Boone Friday, March 20 at noon and arrived at the Des Moines airport to discover that because of heavy snowfall, all flights in and out of the southeastern states, including Florida, were canceled. Most of Florida received almost six inches of snow Friday. Because of this unfortunate turn of events, plans were canceled as new arrangements should be made to reschedule this trip. Plans to reschedule this trip are being discussed, and details will be given when a new time is determined.

Twister Strikes Boone Campus

by ANDY NELSON
Staff Writer

Late last Saturday night, disaster struck DMACC - Boone Campus. At approximately 11:30 p.m., a massive tornado touched down just north of the main building and headed south causing thousands of dollars of damages to the gymnasium and main building.

Bud Schwartz, custodian, was in the building at the time doing some late night cleanup. Schwartz said he was on the second floor and saw the twister touch down. Bud luckily escaped with minor injuries.

Crews from all over the Boone area were on the scene Sunday morning to help clear the area. Schwartz stated, "I will work day and night to get this place back to normal before classes start up again Wednesday, April 1."

What you need on a rainy day.

by ERIC NELSON

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Boone Bears Win Juco Title at Nationals

by SHERYL TAM
Staff Writer

Classes were canceled today and all of the students assembled in the gym to honor the DMACC Bears men’s basketball team when they returned home after winning the National Juco Basketball Tournament. This is the first time ever that a team from Iowa has won the tournament.

The final games were played in Kansas City. Teams representing the 16 regions in the U.S. were playing in the week-long event. The Boone Bears were the Region 13 champs and worked their way through the single-elimination tournament with very impressive wins in all of their games. The championship caps off an undefeated season for the local team.

Boone faced a much taller team from San Jose, Calif., in the finals. The well-honed skills, lightning-quick speed, and excellent conditioning of the Bears really shone through as the Bears continued to thrill their fans.

Leading scorer for Boone was Steve Jorgensen with 32 points, a career high. Jesse Ybarra, who scored only 10 points, had 16 rebounds and 24 assists. Bryce Schaben, the 6’7” center, put in 13 points and pulled down 13 rebounds. Dan Lollrman and Tom Kennedy each scored 15 points, and John Holbrook and Tim Kloewer put in 9 and 7 respectively. The Bears were perfect from the free-throw line, hitting 17 charity shots.

The game was close until the mid-point of the second half when Kennedy picked off a cross-court pass and went the length of the floor for a superb slam dunk. There were many spectacular plays in the game as the Bears continued to thrill their fans.

Also as a first for the tourney, the entire Boone team was named as the all-NJC tournament team, in a unanimous vote. Larry Hughes, coach of the championship team, was named National Juco Coach of the Year, and had this to say about his team. “This is the best bunch of young men I’ve ever had the privilege to coach. It has been a truly amazing year.”

When the team returned to Boone last night, they were literally mobbed by enthusiastic fans who had been following the progress of the Bears throughout the season.

There will be another celebration tonight when the Student Action Board hosts an open house at the Boone Campus. Everyone is invited, and it is hoped that many people will be on hand to congratulate this group of fine, young athletes.

Playing under A Dome

by SHERYL TAM
Staff Writer

In an unexpected move at the DMACC board meeting last night, the members voted, by a 7-2 margin, to purchase the land east of the Boone Campus. The proposed use for this land is to construct a sports complex complete with a dome.

The dome will be made of plexiglass and will allow for year-round play. The board members felt the successes of the baseball and softball teams could be even better if they were able to play a more full schedule. Also included in the complex would be volleyball and soccer facilities. With the addition of these programs, more students could become involved in athletics.

The funding for this project will come partially from state-appropriated monies and money donated to DMACC by an anonymous person. One stipulation of the endowment was that the funds be used for the promotion of athletics here.

Details for the complex have not worked out completely at this time, but the board members were enthusiastic about the decision.

When called this morning for his reaction to the vote, Harold Johnson, athletic director, said, “We are all very excited about the decision. Even though a completion date has not been set, we hope the project can get underway this year. We are more centrally located than Golden, Colo., and it’s time for a change anyway.”

SUPPORT THE BEARS!

Faculty Wrestling Begins Here

by SHAWN DUGAN
Staff Writer

This will mark the first year Boone will be sponsoring a faculty wrestling team. Boone Campus will be wrestling a lot of high caliber faculty teams such as Iowa, Iowa State, and UNI.

George Silberhorn and Lee “Monster” McNair were both state champions for their high school teams. They will provide leadership for the team.

Sunny Powers and Kay Muelken have also had some rough wrestling experience. They will be a positive addition to the team.

Good luck in upcoming meets to the “Grapplin’ Faculty Bears!”

Lady Bears Softball Team Plays "Snow"ball in Season Opener

by SHERYL TAM
Staff Writer

The Lady Bears’ softball season got off to a strange start. Just as the first game was about to begin, it started snowing. Since the opposing team had to drive all the way from Council Bluffs to play, it was decided to go ahead with the game.

What started as a few flakes, soon became a massive blizzard. In the second inning, the umpires decided to use a bright, orange ball so the players could see it. Most of the ground balls stopped just past the pitcher so Debbie Busch, shortstop, positioned herself there and made many easy throws to first for the put-outs.

Football Team Posts Win

by BRAD DAGGER
Staff Writer

The Boone Campus football team recently opened the season with an easy victory over Ellsworth, 45-7. A total of 589 yards on offense helped the Bears to victory.

Led by Sabra Borich and Paula Schneider, the Bears scored their last three touchdowns in the last 30 seconds to win handily.

The next contest for the Bears is April 5 when Hayden Fry brings his Iowa Hawkeyes to DMACC for a scrimmage.

Paula Schneider, left, and Sabra Borich are shown after the Boone Campus football team’s recent win over Ellsworth College. (Bear Facts photo.

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