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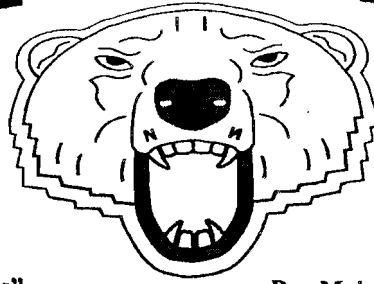
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# BEAR FACTS



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Nancy Woods (Photo by Patrice Harson)

## Woods receives DMACC Distinguished Teacher Award

By Patrice Harson  
Bear Facts Staff

"Enthusiastic, knowledgeable, 'Phun,' tough, fair, caring, innovative," are specifying qualities frequently formulated by students, faculty and staff when speaking of Nancy Woods, the 1997 recipient of the DMACC Distinguished Teacher Award.

Instructors from all five DMACC campuses are considered when determining presentation of this award given for commitment, dedication and excellence.

Woods began her DMACC instruction on the Ankeny Campus in 1985 where she taught physics and math part-time for two years. Woods is currently in her 11th year as mathematics and physics instructor at the DMACC Boone Campus.

**"Nancy makes math and physics come to life for her students." --Kriss Philips**

"Nancy has always been a good teacher, but now she's developed into an excellent instructor," said Kriss Philips, Executive Dean of the DMACC Boone Campus. "Nancy makes math and physics come to life for her students."

Woods received her bachelor's degrees

in science and the liberal arts from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and her master's degrees in math and High Energy Particle Physics from Iowa State University.

While obtaining her bachelor's degrees at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, Woods taught physics laboratories and physics recitation sections, commonly referred to as "resuscitation" classes by overwhelmed physics students experiencing the need to be revived from doing homework, taking quizzes and "catching up."

This introduction to teaching the world of physics seems applicable to Woods' life now. Woods is currently working on her doctorate in curriculum and instruction from Iowa State University and said that proving competence and ability continues beyond initial employment.

**"No matter how long I teach, I continue to be tested, and to be successful, good communication is a priority."**

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## Boone Campus Sets Credit hour Record

By Moses Lueth  
Beaf Facts Staff

The new semester is here at DMACC. Boone Campus Several changes have occurred since the previous semester.

The number of credit hours is a record of 11,000 hours being taken. The number of students enrolled is also a near record of approximately 1100 students. These numbers are tentative due to fluctuations with drops and adds. "The parking lot has never been this full, this has been the busiest start on campus history. There has minimal trouble with confusion among the students, I believe that is due to the cooperation of the students, faculty, and staff," said Dean Kriss Philips.

Due to the increase in student enrollment, additional parking has been added in the southeast corner of the campus. Also lights were installed in the front parking lot to better illuminate for night students and faculty for safety reasons.

The drama department will also have new lighting system installed. "We have been working for the last 13 years to update the lighting system, I am very pleased that we have finally got new system," said Kay Mueller head of drama department. The old lighting system in the auditorium was put in 1968. According to Mueller, the addition of front lights and side lights and all new dimmers, will have an increased effect in lighting the faces of the thespians as opposed to just overhead lights. The front lights have been installed, the side lights are in the process of being installed. In addition to the new lights, there will also be a computerized light board that will make light directing more simple.

The office technology department also received a needed face lift in computer class rooms 218 and 215. Both 218 and 215 were rewired, 215 was painted and new desks installed, thus enabling the teacher to have room to assist students in need of help. Previously in room 218, if one computer went down, the rest would also go down. Now with the rewiring, one computer can go down, and the others will remain stable. Every four years an individual lab gets updated, this year was the year for lab room 218 to get updated.

There are now 21 new gateway 2000 pentium 200 mmx in lab 218 with a laser printer "The machines before were slow, this speeds things up tremendously," said Pat Thieben head of Office technology.

With all these changes it will be an exciting future for DMACC, Boone Campus.

## DMACC chooses Italy

By Melinda Gorman  
Bear Facts Staff



Each year DMACC chooses a country to learn about and celebrate. For 1997-98 Italy has been chosen, and more specifically, the Veneto Region of northeast Italy, in honor of Iowa's sister state.

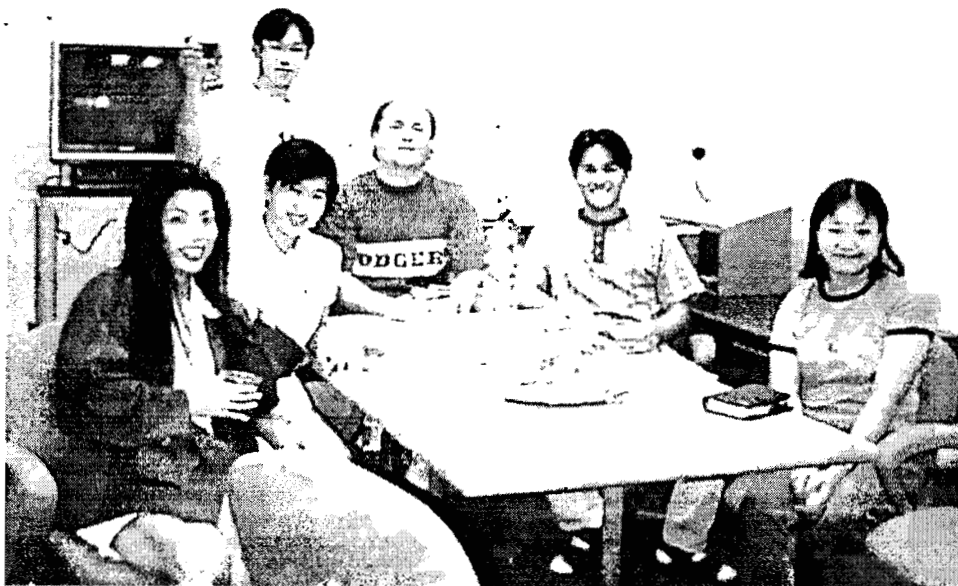
Throughout the year DMACC will invite guest speakers and performers, who will present Italian history, food, music, fashion, art and religion to audiences of faculty, students, and the community.

The Year of Italy kicked off with a fund-raiser on September 8, called A Taste of Italy. Twelve Des Moines restaurants contributed Italian foods. Tickets were available for \$50 and the proceeds will fund DMACC's Year of Italy events.

Kriss Phillips, Dean at the Boone Campus, said, "There was a large variety of food; some I didn't recognize. My wife and I enjoyed it very much."

The first speaker for the Year of Italy on the Boone campus this fall will be Father John Gorman, October 8, at 10:10 am. He will be speaking on the Granger Experiment, which was an economic undertaking of Italian Americans during the depression. Hosts of his visit are DMACC's Instructors Lee McNair and Marguerite Kelley.

The events will culminate during the week of April 6-9 with Italy week. This a week of concentrated information about Italy through speakers, food, and culture.



International Club hosted a reception to welcome students. From left to right Yuko Brown, Ka-Kei Leong, Sic-Min, Hendro Kiswoto, Jerry Hidayat, and Fanny Kiswoto.

## Cross-enrollment with ISU off to good start

By Lorraine Powell  
Bear Facts Staff

This fall began the first cross-enrollment registration between the DMACC Boone Campus and Iowa State University. If a full-time student at DMACC (taking 12 credits), has completed at least 12 semester hours of transferable course work, and has at least a 2.0 GPA, he or she can take one class at ISU without paying tuition fees. Iowa State students can do the same thing at DMACC.

George Silberhorn, DMACC academic counselor, reported that out of the 50 possible positions open to DMACC students, 10 have been applied for at the Boone Campus. Of these 10, 7 are still pending and 3 students are now taking ISU classes. All 50 of the available positions open to all DMACC campuses were taken up by ISU students.

Silberhorn stated that one problem that was faced by DMACC students was the difference in starting registration dates. ISU began classes one week earlier

than DMACC, therefore, DMACC students at ISU faced classes that were already filled.

However, for the coming spring semester, DMACC students will get their schedules at the same time as ISU students.

Silberhorn said that the cross-enrollment program is considered a success even though only 10 so far from Boone DMACC have taken advantage of it. He said "It has given DMACC students an opportunity they never had before. It must be remembered this is only the first time that this opportunity has existed at the Boone campus."

Anyone interested in the cross-enrollment registration for this spring semester should be aware that a Cross-Enrollment Program Application and Registration Form must be filled out prior to registration and appropriate approvals secured. It will be done on a first-come first-serve basis.

Exercise your right to vote

## Students Action Board elections coming soon

All students interested in running or nominating students for the Student Action Board must have papers filed by September 19, according to Terry Jamieson, Student Services Director.

Student Action Board allows students to be directly involved in the use of SAB money, organization of activities, and student government. It is just one of the many things that students can get involved with at DMACC.

Elections will take place Thursday, Oct. 2 starting at 8 am and ending 1 pm on Friday, Oct. 3

## Center Receives Grant

By Andrea Fester  
Bear Facts Staff

Iowa New Choices, the Displaced Homemakers Center located in Room 124 on the first floor of the Boone DMACC campus, provides assistance to those directly affected by divorce, separation, and spouse disablement or the death of a spouse, including single pregnant women and single parents.

Assisted by coordinator Maggie Stone, the Displaced Homemakers Center can help prepare adults for the work force through education, counseling, training and support, as well as assisting with child care costs and transportation expenses for students enrolled at least half-time at DMACC if you are financially eligible.

Recently, the Displaced Homemakers Center was graced with a \$500 grant from the American Business Women's Association in memory of Joyce Nichols, a Boone resident who had worked for the Work force Development Center in Boone for several years until her death from an automobile accident last year. Her family decided to make a donation in Nichols' memory to the ABWA of which she was a member, and the Association in turn presented the Displaced Homemakers Center at DMACC with the Joyce Nichols Memorial Grant to be used in assisting those who qualify with the funds that will cover financial needs that are not met in other ways.

Upon receiving the grant, coordinator Stone said, "I am very grateful for the generosity of the ABWA and the Nichols family, and the grant will certainly be an asset to those in need."



(Photo by Patrice Harson)

## Jim Ross Lightfoot

Pufferbilly "Politician"--Former GOP congressman Jim Ross Lightfoot made an appearance in the annual Boone Pufferbilly Parade Sept. 6. Lightfoot said, "Community colleges have been grossly underutilized. We have the people with the expertise and the facilities. There are \$14 to \$15 per hour jobs in technology and agriculture, and utilizing our community colleges is going to be a big part of our agenda."

Lightfoot said his primary thrust will be to improve Iowa's economic climate with a well-trained work force.

## First day at DMACC

By Brent West  
Bear Facts Staff

The transition from high school to college, or going back to school after years away can be a very scary or rewarding experience.

Three first-year students on the DMACC Boone Campus survived their first day.

Monica Henning commented, "The first day was very interesting, but I was disappointed with the lack of parking lot space."

Katie Kirkegaard said, "The first day was interesting, a complete change from high school."

"The first day at DMACC was interesting," said Yount Ki, "I made a lot of new friends. I think it is going to be an excellent year here at DMACC."

College is a way for students coming right out of high school to explore themselves, for adults to gain better knowledge for their future career goals or for some people to make a difference in today's society.

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**Dottie Ausborn**, a sophomore athlete at DMACC, dons her bear suit to march in the annual Pufferbilly Days parade held Sept. 6. The unseasonable heat was met "head-on" by our campus mascot, who is enrolled in DMACC's Pre-Chiropractic Program

**PBL members attend National Leadership Conference**

By Lorraine Powell  
Bear Facts Staff

The National Leadership Conference for Phi Beta Lambda was held in Los Angeles, California this past July. Two Boone DMACC students, Amy Richards, PBL State Vice-President, and Staci Tolen, PBL member, attended.

They were involved in business competitive events and also served as campaign managers for the newly elected National Regional Vice-President from Iowa, Randy Brooks.

The Conference was spread over a 4-day period and was topped off by an extra day touring Disneyland. Forty-five students and advisers attended. Several regional awards were received. The glass display case outside Room 215 has pictures and information from the Conference.

PBL at the DMACC Boone Campus has about 23 members at present. There is always a desire for new membership. Any students at DMACC that are taking at least one class in business, computer science or office technology are eligible to join.

Meetings are held once a month in Room 129 at 12:20 P.M. on Wednesday. The meetings provide opportunity for participating in service projects, fund raising activities, and training in leadership skills.

On September 24, PBL members will be involved in "Adopt-a-highway" as one

of this year's community service projects. It involves picking up trash on a 2-mile section of Highway 17.

PBL adviser, Pat Thoben, gives the following special message to prospective members. "Men, this is not a sorority. Leadership skills are for everyone."



Staci Tolen and Amy Richards, DMACC students, visit Disneyland while attending the Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference.

**Off the wall**

- **Room 219 will be open on Saturdays** from 9 a.m. to Noon for anyone interested in using the computers for course work. **No food or drink in computer labs or classrooms.**
- **Student Action Board Election Voting Days** will be Thursday, Oct. 2, 8 a.m through Friday, Oct. 3, 1 p.m.
- **Additional Boone Campus parking** has been made available. It is in the east field, east of the gymnasium. The area is marked off where to park.
- **Lost & Found.** See Vicki at the Business/Financial Aid window.
- **Congratulations to the new Phi Beta Lambda Officers--**  
President--Chris Swanson  
Vice President--Cristia Breon  
Secretary--Danielle Maddsen  
Treasurer--Amy Richards  
Parliamentarians--Teresa Clark-Espinoza and Denise Schmidt  
Historians--Pam Carter and Eric Colvin
- **Conversation Partners for International Students,** Practice English with an American student in an informal setting. No Charge Flexible Times. Contact the Academic Achievement Center.
- **Brain Bowl,** Thursday, Oct. 2 at 7 p.m.
- **DMACC Boone Campus Library and Computer Lab Hours--**Mon. through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **The DMACC Building is a Tobacco-Free Environment. Please, no tobacco in any form.**
- **Library closed?** You may return material in the book drop in the wall, south of the library doors.
- **A University of Iowa Admissions Representative,** Sandra Gonzolez-Torres, will visit the DMACC Boone Campus Friday, Sept. 26, 9 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.
- **Need Tutoring in a class?** Come to the Academic Achievement Center! Free! **AAC Hours--**Monday - Thursday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday - 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **The DMACC Boone Campus Rotract Club** will be recruiting interested students Wednesday and Thursday, Sept 17 and 18, from a table at the south end of the Courter Center. Stop by and ask questions and obtain informational literature. Rotract Club meets Friday, Sept. 19 at 11:10 a.m. in Room 110.
- **Computer lab full?** Come to the Academic Achievement Center. Computers can be reserved.
- **Sand Volleyball!** Thursday at 4:30 p.m. **Badminton** on Wednesday and Thursday each week at Noon in the DMACC Boone Campus gymnasium. **Golf Tournament,** Sept. 27 at Noon, Don Williams Course. You pay your green fee. 2 Person Best Shot

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## Smith goes full-time

By Andrea Fester  
Bear Facts Staff

Brad Smith, who began his first teaching experience at the DMACC Boone and Ankeny campuses last spring, is now teaching full-time at the DMACC Boone campus.

He is in charge of instructing Principals of Accounting I & II, Intermediate Accounting I & II, Cost Accounting, Income Tax, Managerial Accounting for Microcomputers, and Financial Accounting for Microcomputers.

Smith, an ISU graduate, currently resides in Des Moines with his wife, Marlene, a daughter who is also a student at DMACC, and a son who is in middle school. Smith spends his spare time working around the house, enjoying outings with his family, reading or watching football games on television.

Smith finds DMACC to be a tremendous place to work. "I've been a stock-



**Brad Smith**

broker, a CPA, and I've been in the military. All of these occupations were rewarding but none come close to the rewards of teaching at the college level."

Smith continued, "The students and staff here at the Boone Campus are exceptional and I always feel like I am among friends."

## Nancy Woods.....from page 1

teach, I continue to be tested, and to be successful, good communication is a priority."

There's a poster in Woods' classroom that pictures Albert Einstein and displays his words, "Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds."

Woods said some instructors walk into a classroom considering themselves the gods of that area and wonder how their students got along in life without knowing what they know, especially when the subject is so clear to them.

"It's my job," Woods said, "to teach."

"Occasionally, there is only one student who doesn't understand," continued Woods, "but when more students express their confusion, I appreciate their honesty and can adjust the rate of knowledge flow."

Woods instructs through collaborative projects and in-class problems so that students can gauge each other's progress, assist one another, or, perhaps, more readily admit, "we don't understand."

"There is strength in numbers," said Woods.

Since childhood, Woods has enjoyed a strong capacity for manipulating numbers, but it was an energetic high school physics instructor that inspired her continued mathematical development.

Being a student all her life, Woods endorses the utilization of alternative forms of development through visualizations such as computer projects, laser disks, videos and interactive activities in class. According to Woods, anything to relieve the sedating affect of invariable lectures is a plus.

Woods said, "The more physical senses a student involves in the learning stages, the more retention of materials that student has."

"This hands-on instruction requires less memorization on the student's part because through the active learning process, the student now *understands* the material."

Woods is currently writing a test bank, an ancillary for instructors, for McGraw-Hill. She has a March 31 deadline and said that writing + course work + family + job responsibilities can sometimes = overwhelming!

As a student, Woods understands her students own legitimate need to make minor adjustments to their schedules, whether that means getting their questions answered outside of class or taking a test at a different time.

**"Students need to take responsibility for their own learning."**

Woods said, "When a student just comes to class unprepared, that's different. Students need to take responsibility for their own learning."

"But when everything is piling up," Woods added, "don't wait for the ax to fall. If feeling overwhelmed, talk to someone. Don't fear to admit that you don't know something. That is the biggest inhibitor to successful learning."

"When students say, 'I just don't know what you're talking about,' that's when I can help."

This advice comes from a mother of six, and Woods claims that number could increase...someday. But in the meantime, her four sons, two daughters and husband, David, give her ample opportunity to partake of her favorite leisure activity, photography.

Woods is accustomed to having abundant numbers of youth around her. Last July, 31 Classical Physics I and Survey of Physical Science students from the DMACC Boone Campus traveled with Woods to Des Moines to study the rides at the Adventureland Amusement Park.

Woods said, "It was the first summer we've had two full physics sections at the DMACC Boone Campus."

Woods would like to see DMACC build additional course offerings on the Boone Campus; however, she realizes this may require hiring more full-time math faculty.

"We have a quality physics program and a fine caliber of physics students on the DMACC Boone Campus," Woods said. "All of our math classes provide students with a stable bridge that has improved DMACC's reputation."

## DMACC Photography Contest 1997-98 Italy Year

### Contest Rules

1. Limit four entries per contestant.
2. Entries must be delivered together with a completed and signed entry form.
3. Print must be at least 8x10 inches and no larger than 11x14 inches. Only prints are acceptable! Fill out and attach one entry form to the upper right hand corner. Additional forms may be duplicated.
4. Do not attach any materials except for the label on the back.
5. All entries must be mounted NOT framed. There should be no hooks or wires attached
6. The photographer's name and picture title should not appear on the front of the entry.
7. Entries must arrive at the Des Moines Area Community College photography studio by March 21st.
8. Although entries will be handled with care, Des Moines Area Community college is not responsible for damages.
9. Each photo must have been taken by the photographer. It must be original, unpublished, the property of the contestant, and not be entered currently in any other contests.
10. Des Moines Area Community College reserves the right to reproduce in any form the work submitted.
11. Results will be posted by the morning of March 28th.
12. Photographs may be picked up at the Des Moines Area Community College photography studio April 13th, 15th, and 16th.

- Division A - Black and White Class**
- A. People
  - B. Places

- C. Things
- D. Contest Theme: Architecture

### Division B - Color Class

1. People
  2. Places
  3. Things
4. Contest Theme: Architecture  
--Photo entries in all divisions and classes must pertain to Italian and Italian-American subject matter.  
Contact Curtis B. Stahr  
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## Coffee, anyone?

By Patrice Harson  
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When faced with the many challenges of their academic realm, college students sometimes require a more calming atmosphere.

The Whitman House, 705 Story Street in Boone, is such a place. Students can escape with friends for an hour or two of light conversation, rejuvenating background music, Italian soda or Raspberry-Almond Coffee, Giant Ravioli Stuffed with Ricotta Cheese and Marinara Sauce, homemade fudge made with real cream and butter, old-fashioned malts and shakes and a host of other unique entrees that have the power to reintroduce presence of mind.

Owner Naomi Norris said, "We'd love to have students feel at home at Whitman House, buy a cup of coffee, hang out with their friends, study, play checkers or chess and enjoy our homelike atmosphere.

"Relaxing at Whitman House is like being in someone's living room, someone you like," continued Norris. If students patronize The Whitman House, say on one particular night a week, Norris says she'll be more than happy to raise the sound decibel a notch or two to fit their style.

Creating an atmosphere that was old-fashioned but not feminine, one that would attract both men and women, was a

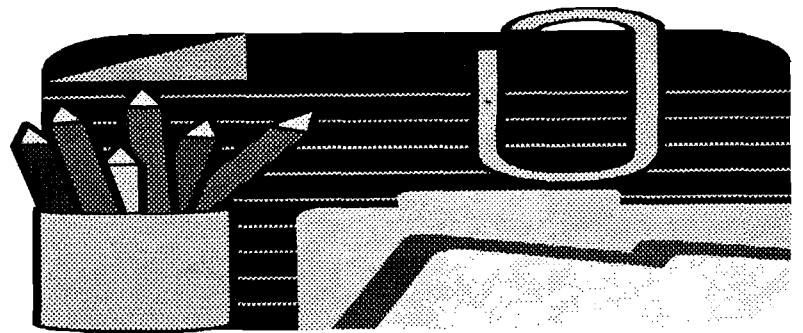
priority for Norris. The refurbished wood floors, balcony and original tin ceiling outline antique buffets and dressers, domestic quilts from different parts of the world, and couches reminiscent of the ones seen on the popular television sitcom, "Friends."

Norris understands that college friends can't always afford the high prices set in some coffee houses, so she tries to keep her charges lower than city prices.

"Purchasing a value meal is fun from time to time, but we offer a different choice," Norris said. "The food we serve is healthy--nothing deep-fried here--and customers can get our specialty coffees a little cheaper."

Norris, along with her husband, Rob, moved to Boone from Chicago because as a young mom she thought it was important to stay home with her child and, financially, she could not afford to do that in the city. Since her parents live in Boone and the housing is "affordable for a young family," the Norris' quit their jobs and left Chicago with \$5,000 in their pockets.

Norris said, "The \$5,000 was used for a down payment on our new home, and now I have the coffee house and Rob 'rehab' old houses for resale. We split the child care; he does the books and I do the people part."



## Melinda's Musings

Welcome back into the world of formal education. It is like stepping through a portal into another world. Today, class, we are going to take a survey. In some classes surveys are taken on the first day and in this, our first issue of the semester, it seems appropriate.

How many parents said about or to your children, "I'll be so glad when school starts and you go back"? Do you see my hand raised? My hand is raised. That last week I think I said it so often, even I got tired of hearing it.

Okay, time to show the other side of the coin. How many students said to their friends, "I'll be so glad when school starts so I can get away from my parents for awhile"? Com'on admit it.

We embark on the summer with so much enthusiasm and so many plans. But, by the end of the few months together, no matter how much we care for each other, we need a break.

I wonder how home schooling parents work through the need for a break from their children? Or is it that we need the break because we know we'll get it?

Well anyway, welcome to your break.

Norris says this arrangement works well for them, and added that there's always a way to accomplish what you want. The Norris' could have easily spent over \$100,000 in equipment and decor to build The Whitman House up, but Norris said, "If you just use your head and think eco-

nomically, there's always an affordable way to finance your own business."

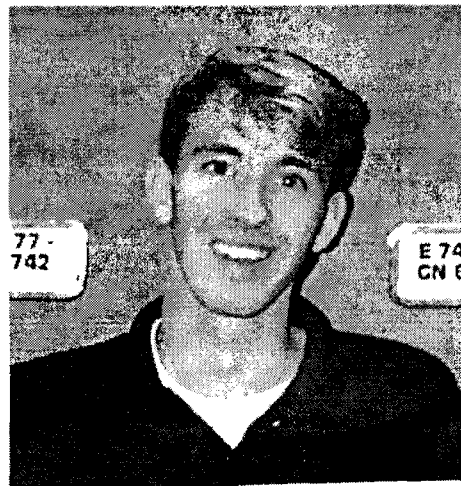
"Two things Chicago does well are pizza and cheesecakes," said Norris. "You can get the pizza somewhere else, but the cheesecakes are now at The Whitman House in Boone."

# Talk Back

## What did you think of the media coverage of the Princess Di tragedy?



**Lisa Kahookele-Instructor**  
"I'm not surprised by the amount of coverage Di has received, and how it has continued past the funeral, but it also intrigues me that Mother Teresa has received a fraction of the coverage and she died around the same time."



**David Morris, freshman**  
"They are doing a good job of covering the news, but they are over doing it. Everytime you flip on the television it is Princess Di."



**Ana Ybarra Rojas, sophomore**  
"All major networks are being hypocritical, saying that the media should not be involved, yet they continually broadcast the same material over and over."



**John Temple-freshman**  
"Way too much coverage, especially since she is not from the U.S. I heard about it everywhere for a week straight. I got sick of it."



# Horoscope Horror

By Jason Rearick  
Bear Facts Staff

**Aries (March 21-April 19)**

All I can say is, don't try to fly a lot of miles in an airplane that doesn't have wings.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)**

Your old Ford Taurus will give you so much trouble in the morning that the engine will blow up in your face while coming to class. So, just plan to get a ride from someone else.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)**

You will find a mine shaft in the basement of your old house that leads you through a maze of booby traps to One-Eyed Willies' gems and priceless artifacts.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)**

Your doctor will diagnose you with brain cancer, but when you get a second opinion from a Pisces you find out it was just a really bad migraine, so try eating more spices on your meat.

**Leo (July 23- Aug. 22)**

Look forward to meeting a pizza delivery guy named "Fuzzy" Leo. Seriously, just ask for his name. I know I'm right.

**Virgo (Aug 23-Sept. 22)**

Don't name your kid Virgil; it's a stupid name, and all of the kids on the playground will make fun of him. So just to save you time, name the kid Jason. Everyone will think that he is the mack daddy and the daddy mack all rolled into one.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**

Your Libra license has expired. To obtain a new one, you must contact Conan the Librarian in room 123.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)**

Don't sit down and listen to scorpions all day. They are raw and old-fashioned and they are a big pain in the rear.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**

Your terrier will defend you against an intruder by biting the leg off of him while he was rummaging through your refrigerator at 2 a.m. Later, you find out it was your long lost Great Uncle Harry from San Quentin visiting from out of town. So, just a word of advise; always check your messages on your answering machine. It could save a man's leg.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**

This week you will listen to a lot of KORN, or you'll enjoy eating corn on the cob.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**

This week there is a good chance you will drown, so don't even think about going skinny dipping. Though, kiddie pools are okay.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)**

Try a lot of spices on your sirloin tonight, and they will relieve your migraines. Your match today is a Cancer.

Entertain Your Brain At The Brain Bowl! 😊

## DMACC Boone Campus Theatre Auditions

### "There Goes the Bride"

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See Kay in 132 for more information

## Top ten reasons to tell if you are stuck in the 80's

By Aaron Foster  
Bear Facts Staff

1. You relax by putting your legwarmers on and dancing to the "Footloose" or "Flashdance" soundtrack.
  2. Punky Brewster is your hero!
  3. You consider yourself truly, truly, truly outrageous, much like Jem and the Holograms.
  4. You still have a shoebox full of Garbage Pail Kid cards.
  5. You still use your Snoopy Sno-Cone machine.
  6. You still use your hair crimper before you go out on a hot date.
  - 7 "Goonies" is your favorite movie of all time!
  8. You can still identify any "My Little Pony" solely by its magical markings.
  9. You are still asking, "Where's the beef?"
  10. You still have Michael Jackson's white glove that came with the Jackson 5 LP No this is not the same one O.J. wore
- If you have any comments or ideas please e-mail them to: amf2101@dmacc.cc.ia.us

## Watch out Jeopardy!

By Aaron Foster  
Bear Facts Staff

Headlining the list of fall activities is the annual Brain Bowl and Debate week which will be held Thursday, Oct. 2 in the DMACC Boone Campus auditorium. Each department should declare three participants to represent their department in the Brain Bowl. Faculty members are also eligible to participate. Journalism student Moses Lueth commented that the *Bear Facts Staff* are returning to defend their title. He said, "As journalists we are saturated with information. That is why, once again, we will dominate!" Jamieson explained the Brain Bowl as being a "glorified Jeopardy game." Questions can range from sports and leisure all the way to education and other various topics. Jamieson said that the DMACC Boone Campus is holding the event again because the turnout was good last year and everybody enjoyed it.

Enjoy....

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## Two new sports join DMACC's lineup

By Jason D. Van Arkel  
Bear Facts Staff

The DMACC athletic department added two new sports this year for the spring season.

Athletic Director Terry Jamieson said both men's and women's golf will be offered as varsity sports next semester.

Jamieson said golf will not be offered for credit. He said he hopes to change

that, but the process of accrediting the sports may take as long as a year to complete.

Jamieson said he could not estimate how many students would be involved in the golf program because sign-up for these sports does not occur until next semester. Jamieson will coach both the men's and women's teams.



(Photo by Patrice Harson)

DMACC's Boone Campus athletic students kept busy Saturday washing cars to support their sports programs. The students washed 80 cars and raised \$500 to add to their general scholarship fund.

## Best shot to benefit DMACC athletics

By Aaron Foster  
Bear Facts Staff

The athletic department is sponsoring a two-person best shot golf tournament September 27 at Don Williams Golf Course near Pilot Mound. Kim Carlson at 233-0221; Michelle Olson at 432-6145 or Jamie Stowe at 292-8863.

The entry fee is \$15 per person. All proceeds go to DMACC athletics. To register or for more information call Terry Jamieson at 432-7203 or 433-0318; also be a fund-raiser event.

## From fly fishing to self defense-- Athletic department increases offerings

By Aaron Foster &  
Jason D. Van Arkel  
Bear Facts Staff

The DMACC athletic department is offering a wide variety of intramural sports this fall.

Co-ed football, co-ed sand volleyball, archery, fly fishing, soccer and self-defense classes make up the list of intramurals this month. Football and volleyball players needed to sign up by Friday, Sept. 12. The activities began on Monday, Sept. 15. "So far, the sign-up for these two intramural activities has been pretty good,"

said Athletic Director Terry Jamieson.

Students interested in archery, fly fishing, or the self-defense classes need to contact Jamieson. The self-defense classes are being held at no charge to students. They meet on Sept. 23 and 25 at 7 p.m.

Sign-up for soccer takes place in the main office. Until enough students sign up to form permanent teams, those who have signed up will meet Mondays at 4:30 p.m. to practice.

The athletic department also posts intramural information in the Courter Center on a regular basis.

**IOWA vs. IOWA STATE**  
**Saturday, September 20**  
**2:30 P.M.**



(Photo courtesy of Mo Kelley, Iowa High School Athletic Association & Bob Person) John Smith was selected as an inductee to the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches' Hall of fame in February.

## Smith inducted into Hall of Fame

By Aaron Foster  
Bear Facts Staff

In early February, longtime DMACC Baseball Coach John Smith was honored as an inductee in the Iowa High School Baseball Coaches' Hall of Fame, at the Annual Iowa High School Baseball Coaches Association Clinic in Cedar Rapids.

Smith has coached baseball at DMACC for 22 years and has an overall record of 613-373. Some 40 of his former players were drafted by major league teams.

Originally from South Dakota, Smith's teams have been consistently successful with appearances in several state, regional, and national tournaments. At the Iowa High School Boys Basketball Tournament in March, Smith was also honored as Father Craig Collison of the IHSBCA presented him with his Hall of Fame plaque.

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# World Mourns

## A Rose for England

By Scott Kovach  
For Bear Facts Staff

You have already heard about how she was chased into the tunnel. The twisted wreckage of her armor-plated Mercedes. The crazed photographers on motorcycles--the "Po-pa-what-zits?" All of these stories are beginning to wax redundant. Old news, right?

Somehow, the American people continue to pound a bloody stamp of "Guilty!" upon the foreheads of the seven photographers. A couple tabloids make a feeble gesture by refusing the pictures. We condemn the media that killed Diana--but only too late.

Anyone who has ever snatched a copy of a supermarket tabloid off the rack is guilty. Your demand for dirt on celebrities will supply you with more of the same. The dirt that they found is now covering the grave of our Princess.

The "English Rose" had a sweet scent of scandal about her. There can be no doubt: the risqué tabloids that played a part in her death were also the suppliers of rumor and sensationalism that kept her legend alive. About Diana it might be said, "Those who live by the media, die by the media."

Indeed, it is proper to gaze upon a rose--even to smell it. However, there should be no doubt in anyone's mind concerning the propriety of crushing and trampling the fairest of flowers in the royal garden.

## Waiting for miracles

By Patrice Harson  
For Bear Facts Staff

There is no doubt in Calcutta of the holiness of Mother Teresa.

Around the world, the poor and the sick, the comfortable and the proud were humbled at the end by the Nobel Peace Prize-winning nun's 51 years of service to humanity.

At the age of 36, Mother Teresa vowed her commitment to serve the poorest of the poor. Her ministrations continue to offer us lessons in compassion, in humility and in multicultural unity that, if we could fully comprehend, would end our misguided search for supernatural sensation.

Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, the Vatican's authority on doctrine, said a week ago Tuesday that to name her a saint the Church must be convinced Mother Teresa has performed miracles.

Mother Teresa didn't waste precious time waiting for miracles. She tirelessly utilized the resources available to her, and this selfless woman who had nothing...gave everything.

Ave, Teresa, gratia plena.

## Requiem for a Princess

By Jason D. Van Arkel  
Bear Facts Staff

As you read this, more than 10 days will have passed since Diana, Princess of Wales, was laid to rest. Not many people that I know stayed up all night to watch the funeral, as I did. Those who slept missed out on a once-in-a-lifetime live event. The pageantry, the images, the unprecedented breaking of protocol by the monarchy, and the estimated audience of two billion people worldwide unified in their grief and mourning--all for a single woman who, although stripped of her official royal title, had truly become, in her own words, "a queen of people's hearts."

Some in America have expressed disgust at the immense coverage of Diana's death and funeral, comparing it with the O.J. Simpson trial. Those people miss the point entirely. Diana's life embodied this

line from the movie *Braveheart*: "Your position exists to provide those people with freedom." Instead of playing the role of a stuffy British monarch, she used her position in life to help those in suffering overcome their obstacles--not just in England, but worldwide. It was truly appropriate that her coffin was followed not by 500 soldiers, but by 500 people involved in her various charitable causes.

At the funeral service, Elton John performed a moving revision of *Candle in the Wind*. Although the rewritten lyrics made an excellent tribute, my own last respects for the princess come from the original chorus:

"I would have liked to have known you, but I was just a kid. Your candle burned out long before your legend ever did..."



## Daily Grind

By Moses Lueth  
Bear Facts Staff

Dear Dr. Mo,

I have this problem, I have this phobia of corn. I have lived in Iowa all my life and whenever I see corn, horrible thoughts come to mind. The corn talks to me, it tells me to do bad things. It tells me to park in handicapped spots and to steal salt-n-pepper shakers from restaurants. I thought, hey, I'll take some classes at DMACC to get my mind off the corn.

My first day, I heard some whispers, I looked out the window. Dear God! Corn was everywhere! As if I was in a trance, I walked out of class into the field. I thought I would face my greatest fear, so I rolled around in the corn, I danced with it. I love the corn.

I guess my real problem is I can't keep a job and my family has disowned me. I don't understand. I am getting married to my love. Her name is Cornyessa Stalks. I can't wait to detassle her! Anyway, what should I do? *All-bummed-out-in-the-cornfield.*

Dear-all-Bummed-out-in-the-cornfield,

As I can see you are deeply troubled, but in situations such as yours, you have to make the best of it. I suggest you tell your family all the benefits of being married into the corn family, you will always have popcorn, corn on the cob, and provide the world with nutrition. Also does your family know that ethanol is made from corn? It's all about the lifetime guarantee of free gas! Do not worry, when your family realizes all the sweetness of corn, they will come around.

Dr. Mo wishes to encourage others to write about their concerns and thank Ghost Writer for assisting in the writing. Cheerio.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

We would like to bring it to the student's attention that the front parking lot is for staff and visitor parking only, so students, please do not park in the front lot. We have opened up more parking in the southwest corner of the east field. If we find that it isn't large enough, we will expand it to meet our parking needs.

I would like to thank you all for the cooperation you have expressed this early in the semester. If we will all follow the rules, it can make our college experience a pleasant one.

Thank you,  
Gary Johnson  
Supervisor, Buildings & Grounds  
Boone Campus

## TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES

By Lorraine Powell  
Bear Facts Staff

I have learned things in many different ways but my best teacher has seemed to be learning by my own mistakes. A good friend of mine once told me, "The first time you mess up, it's a mistake but one that provides a learning opportunity. The second time you mess up on the same thing, it's a stupid mistake and one that you may very well have to pay for."

I seem to have been one of life's students that had to find out for myself why it was wrong or why it was stupid. The one good thing about this kind of learning, however, is that it usually stays in my memory for a long time afterwards.

I look back on the many experiences I went through in my fifty-one years of living (and dying) and face the fact that I have had lots of learning opportunities and I have made lots of stupid mistakes. But it was only when I would admit to myself it was wrong that I could come up with alternatives for my "mistakes" that made things better.

Another thing I have found out is that when "pay-back time" comes due, nobody is usually there but me to take the consequences. And without doubt, pay-back time does come to all of us at some time in our lives.

The tragedy occurs if and when we make that first and second stupid mistake and never get caught. Because without getting caught, and without having to face the consequences of our own behavior, we might try to justify to ourselves why it was right. And by justifying something wrong, it makes it easier the next time, to do something even worse.

The moral of the story: "Use mistakes as learning opportunities and try not to make the same mistake twice."