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# Bear Facts

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"The Voice of Boone Campus"

## Spring registration begins Nov. 20

By Jamie Lowe  
Bear Facts Staff

The DMACC Spring schedule is now available. The spring semester won't begin until Tuesday, January 16, 1996, but scheduling for the term will begin very soon.

### Full Time Students

For those students returning in the Career Education Programs registration will begin on Monday, November 20 and go through Wednesday, November 22. Full-time student registration will begin on Monday, November 27 and run through Friday, December 1 for

those students returning in the Liberal Arts, Arts & Sciences and General Education fields.

### Part Time Students

Part-time students begin registration on Tuesday, November 28. This process is by telephone and will be done on Tuesday the 28 and Wednesday the 29 of November from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. It will then resume on Monday, December 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Part-time students may also register by fax beginning Tuesday, December 12, to 515-432-6311 for the Boone Campus.

### New Students

New part-time students may

begin registration on Tuesday, December 12 by fax, phone, walk-in, or mail. The Boone campus fax number is 515-432-6311. Full time students who wish to enter the Career Education Programs may register on Monday, December 4 and Tuesday, December 5. For those students entering the General Education or Arts & Sciences programs the registration is from Wednesday, December 6 to Friday, December 8.

### Student Fees

Total payment is due on Wednesday, January 10, 1996. Total per credit cost is \$54.40.

Tuition accounts for \$48 and the other \$6.40 is for service fees. The cost is \$96.00 per credit hour for non-resident students. There is a \$30 convenience fee for television courses and a \$25 late registration fee if registration is six or more days after classes begin.

Pre-registration can be done at anytime. Just go in and visit with a counselor.

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## Nigerian speakers in economics class

By Jamie Lowe  
Bear Facts Staff

Today, November 8, Inuss Bright (I.B.) Bello-Iman and Pita Ogaba Abgese spoke on the Boone Campus at 9:00 a.m. to Gary Stasko's economics class about the "Transition to Democracy in Nigeria."

I.B. Bello-Iman is a Research Professor at the Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research (NISER). He received his Master in Philosophy for Political Science in Ibanden Nigeria. He then went on to Leeds in the United Kingdom and received his Ph.D. in Political Science. He has since received a Post Doctoral Diploma in Public Finance from the University of Birmingham in the United Kingdom.

Pita Ogaba Abgese is currently a professor at the University of Northern Iowa. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from the Ahmadu Bello University in Zaria, Nigeria. He graduated from this institution with first class honors. He then went on to Keller Graduate School of Management in Chicago, Illinois where he received his Master in Business Administration. He also has a Graduate Certificate in African Studies from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. He also received his Master of Arts Degree and Ph.D. from Northwestern University.



nationwide and became known as the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout.

Each year 20% of all smokers use this day to participate in the Smokeout. It is expected that over 10 million people will participate in 1995. Many of those who participate get involved through their community, business, or school Smokeout programs.

For the teenagers and children in society the Smokeout day represents a time where they are able to work toward a better, healthier, smoke-free environment. For the smokers it is a day to prove to themselves that they can quit. Nonsmokers may get involved by adopting a family member, friend, or co-worker

and help them to quit for the Smokeout day.

Connie Booth, Nursing Instructor, stated, "The Nursing Students United and Rotoract will have "Adopt a Smoker" materials available in the Courter Center the week of the Smokeout."

This event will take place the week of November 13. These organizations will sign up students and pass out kits to recognize the event. The names of all the participants who plan to "Quit for a Day" will be displayed in the Courter Center.



\*If you are depressed or have physical symptoms which might be related to smoking, discuss these with your physician.

By Jamie Lowe  
Bear Facts Staff

Thursday, November 16, is the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout. This day is to be set aside for all smokers and nonsmokers to commit to a smoke-free society for everyone, but most importantly for children.

The first Smokeout took place in 1971 in Randolph, Massachusetts. It then caught on in Minnesota before spreading to California in 1976. It was first called the Smokeout and then evolved to D-Day (Don't Smoke Day). In California it was renamed the Great American Smokeout and finally it spread

# GARs not mailed this term

By Jamie Lowe  
Bear Facts Staff

The Graduation Analysis Report (GAR) will not be sent out this semester due to a computer complication. DMACC is switching over to a new computer system and is unable to generate these reports. This semester's classes are on the new Banner System, but all other course work is on the old MSG system.

If you will be graduating in the spring or summer semester, you will have to go in and visit with a counselor to see where you stand in the course work category. The first thing that must be done is to schedule an appointment. Once you see a coun-

selor they will have to calculate what classes may still be needed.

This will take a two step process. First your old classes must be pulled up off of the MSG system and then this semester schedule must be obtained from the Banner system. The counselor will then have to figure the two together by hand to see exactly what courses still need to be taken.

The new reports will no longer be called GARS. Under the new system they will be known as the Degree Audit. As soon as the new system is up and running the graduation analysis reports will again be on one system.

According to Lisa Wise who works in the Graduation Office at

the Ankeny Campus, "The new system will hopefully be functional by the Summer of 1996. The program is being written by Banner and DMACC is suppose to preview it in November. The planned release to the College will be in March or April. By September of 1996 we hope to be generating the Degree Audit reports for students."

The most important thing that can be done is to get in touch with a counselor. Some of the curriculums have been changes and it may be to your advantage to find out what has occurred. If you work with a counselor there will be no need to make assumptions and jeopardize your chances of graduating on time.

## By George

### Getting creative!

By midterm instructors, advisors, friends, and family have offered suggestions relative to finding the truth about your skills as a learner and how to set goals to improve them. You've been given advice for time management, making your memory skills more effective, further developing of reading skills, developing better note-taking techniques, and how to be successful in completing exams.

The point of all this is not just to have knowledge, but to be original in creating new knowledge in an imaginative fashion. Innovative, creative thinking is a powerful beginning for critical thinking. Creativity expands your awareness and opens doors to new points of view. Generating a variety of answers or points of view to a question before beginning critical thinking can be a powerful experience.

The "Aha!" experience is central to all this. It's a burst of creative energy, the sudden arrival of a new idea, a neon starburst in your mind. It's the emergence of a new and significant pattern, something previously undetected, an unusual combination of familiar elements. It's exhilarating!

It doesn't always result in winning the Nobel Prize. The "Aha!" inspiration might come from virtually any experience. A nursing student might notice that a patient has a symptom everyone else missed; an accounting student might find a tax break others in the class missed; an instructor might

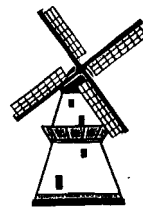
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## Correction

The nursing story in the last issue was written by the students who went on the field trip, not the instructor who accompanied them, as previously printed.

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## Rotaract Club News

By Ken Clark  
Rotaract Acting Publicist 1

Rotaract Club is off and running once again this semester with fresh ideas and fresh faces. For those who are curious about what Rotaract is, we are an international organization whose primary function is the enhancement of international communication through service functions. The functions, members and atmosphere are all friendly and fun. Membership dues are tailored to the very-strapped, student budget, so if you are interested in joining, please contact Joanne Johnson or Lee McNair on campus.

In the past, Rotaract has participated in activities such as serving for the Rotary Steak Fry in October and setting up and serving for the recent Boone Campus Dinner Theater. In the future we will be working fervently on donations for the Lighthouse Project, which is just getting off the ground in Boone, to assist homeless women and children. Look for the donation boxes and flyers in the hallways. We are also participating in the Great American Smokeout on November 16 and the Red Cross Blood Drive on November 29.

Rotaract Club is currently compiling nominations for officers: president, Joanne Johnson; vice-president, Patty Olson; secretary/treasurer, Kristine Doss; publicist 1, Ken Clark; publicist 2, Lynnette Linderblood; historian, Debbie Keller.



Kristine Doss and Lynnette Linderblood help out at dinner theater.

### Rotaract Calendar of Events

11/14 Rotaract Meeting 12:15-1:15, RM 203  
11/16 Chili Supper & Potluck (children welcome)  
11/16 Great American Smokeout  
11/29 Red Cross Blood Drive  
12/4 Lighthouse Program Open House

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# What does Thanksgiving mean to you?

By Jamie Lowe  
Bear Facts Staff

Thanksgiving will soon be upon us! We all know the traditional stories, but are they really true? It seems as if Native Americans are usually seen as savages, but take on the traits of "normal" people when Thanksgiving Day rolls around.

In *PTA Today*, the article Helping Children Respect Differences stated, "Make sure celebrations . . . do not reinforce stereotypes. For instance don't allow programs to make caricatures out of Native Americans, showing them only in Indian garb at Thanksgiving. Instead, see that their legends, artwork, and other facets of their culture are integrated into the whole curriculum." This statement reminds us that even the little things can set into a person's mind. What is being taught in school and in society greatly influences the minds that are absorbing the information. Do we want people to be taught incorrectly anymore?

Many only know of Native Americans through the Thanksgiving stories and don't realize how many struggles the Native Americans have been through. They had their land taken away and were forced to live on reservations when they many have been some of the first people to inhabit this continent. If the Native Americans decided not to move onto reservations they were forced to conform to living as the immigrants did. This just touches the "tip of the iceberg" when it comes to the struggles of these people.

We have all learned many stereotypes that have clouded our vision. We stereotype many things and at times don't even realize we are doing it. A good example of this recently came about during the World Series. There were articles all over the newspaper discussing how the Native Americans felt about the two teams that were playing. A very good point was brought up by Deron Ward, an environmental specialist and school board chairman at Meskwaki

Settlement near Tama, in the *Des Moines Register* article, Indian leaders want respect. He stated, "People in other countries who are watching the game see the chop and they think Indians still do it. Even in the city they think we live in teepees." Maybe we all need to be a little more open-minded and look past the stereotyping that we have learned.

The main question to address may also be how should people be taught about the way our country was settled? According to the article *Whose America?* in *Time*, "Instead of teaching that Columbus discovered the New World, multiculturalists stress that America was already inhabited and ask whether European explorers would be blamed for despoiling a continent." Is it right to credit Columbus with discovering the "New World" when there were already people here? Today in schools and in society there are many different things being taught and what is right?

It all comes down to one simple fact and that is, "Thanksgiving would be discussed not only as a feast day for whites but as a less joyous occasion for Native Americans," as stated in the *Time* article. This is a suggested reform to schools that could help to break some of the barriers that have been formed. Who really knows what

is right or wrong? It may be best to teach all sides of the matter.

With this holiday upon us and the Christmas season not too far behind it is time to try and stop being so bias in our opinions toward every human on this earth. It may also be a good idea to stop passing judgment on everyone in this world and start seeing people for who they really are. When it comes down to it, we are all made of flesh and bones. There are two facts to all of our lives and that is our birth and our death. We are only here for a short period of time and why fell those moments with hatred and ignorance. Doesn't it take the same effort to be nice to a person as it would be mean or show hatred?

## Vittles with Vern and Virginia

Vern's all-time favorite restaurant in the entire world is The Grove Cafe on east Main Street in Ames. It's not necessarily the food, but the atmosphere that draws people there. If you want to catch up on the latest in ISU sports or Ames politics, The Grove is the place to go. Its regular customers knew days in advance that Jim Walden was resigning. Johnny Orr is a regular (He comes in between 7:00 and 7:15 a.m.) as well as a myriad of politically-influential Amesites.

A Grove pancake is a must. Vern and Virginia both highly recommend it. The batter is unique (but secret) and makes a delicious, large cake. There have even been scientific analyses done to determine the ingredients, but no one has come close.

Another unique feature about Grove pancakes is that Jim Stone, the co-owner, has artistic talents and creates pancakes-by-design. He even fashioned a Winnie-the-Pooh pancake for Virginia. He has been known to make Disney and Looney Tune characters, as well as a sundry of other creatures.

The coffee is the best around according to Vern. Other breakfast items include omelettes and the usual down-home breakfast fare. Lunch selections are the typical sandwiches found in most Midwestern eating establishments. Vern highly recommends the meatloaf sandwich. Virginia says that Vern eats too many meatloaf sandwiches!!

Words of warning about The Grove. Do not go there on Saturday mornings because the entire city of Ames will be there with you. Seating is quite limited with seven booths and nine counter stools. Virginia took karate lessons just to be able to get a seat!! The food tends to be on the greasy side, so forget the daily weight-watching when you go there. Size prevents a non-smoking section although the air is clean most of the time.

Service is fast and friendly. Your coffee cup will always be full. Business hours are 5 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and 5 to 11 a.m. on Saturday. Prices are modestly high, but the experience is worth it. Rating: ☺☺☺☺



## Horoscopes

By Anna and Audrey  
Astrologists to the Ordinary



**Aries** (March 21-April 19) Drinking too much wine with your Thanksgiving meal could be disastrous. Passing out on the floor after the game is not the best way to impress your love interest.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) Gobbling your way through the holiday dinner will not raise your stock with the in-laws. Keep your eye on Grandma and those delicious bourbon balls.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21) Having two of everything is not always necessary. Your expanding waist line is a dead give away for your double-dipping habits.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22) Be careful with your comments on your cousin's creamed crab cakes. Be grateful that she even contributed to this holiday feast.

**Leo** (July 22-Aug 22) You may be the King of the castle, but belching and farting are not seen as complimentary to the cook in this country. Look for a more subtle way to show your approval.

**Virgo** (Aug 23-Sept 22) Your family has a history of overindulgence during the holiday season. Taking instruction in CPR looks like a good bet.

**Libra** (Sept 23-Oct 23) Your dilemma will soon be over. Serve Stove Top instead of potatoes.

**Scorpio** (Oct 24-Nov 21) Remember that Christmas is right around the corner. Use caution in your remarks to potential gift givers.

**Sagittarius** (Nov 22-Dec 21) Volunteering your time to help serve the needy this Thanksgiving is worthwhile. You may find love on line at the local soup kitchen.

**Capricorn** (Dec 22-Jan 19) Ducking out on dinner to spend Thanksgiving Day at Prairie Meadows will not bring financial independence. Gambler's Anonymous meets twice a week in Ames.

**Aquarius** (Jan 20-Feb 18) All your holiday guests know you have a reputation for watering down the booze. Don't be so cheap. Break out the good stuff for a change this year.

**Pisces** (Feb 19-Mar 20) The rest of your family is tired of fish. Okay, maybe you can sneak a few oysters in the stuffing, but please don't think you can get away with serving sashimi again.

## From where I sit

By Audrey Burgs  
Bear Facts Staff

Numbers and letters are like white shoes and black panty hose. They simply do not go together. Numbers are for counting. Letters are for spelling. I understand the words as well as the numbers, but I do not believe that they should even touch each other in the same sentence.

Back in junior high, Miss Drey tried to convince me that I would someday find algebra useful. At the beginning of this semester, I heard my algebra instructor say something similar. He stated that the problem solving techniques that we were learning now would come in handy later. I didn't believe him either, because in my case, it is already later. I don't need algebra now any more than I did more than twenty years ago.

I plan to teach English or write part-time after I finish my degree, so from where I sit, taking any math class is simply a mechanism to make me suffer. I can figure percentages, reduce recipes, and determine how much paint to buy to redo a room. I can get out a payroll, measure for new carpet, and choose the best interest rate on a credit card. I do my own taxes. I count money better than a bank teller. So I ask you, why should I have to suffer through an eight o'clock algebra class?

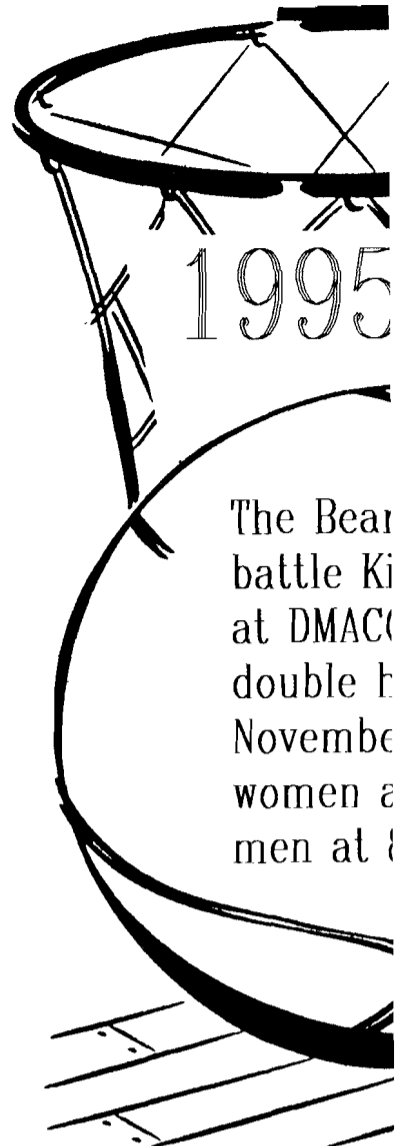
I would rather take a good old-fashioned butt whipping than be forced to figure out the value of X. I don't care about square roots, factors, or polynomials. I just need to make sure my paycheck is correct. I am content to let engineers, statisticians, and scientists have domain over algebraic formulas. I'll be satisfied to work my wizardry with words.

Alpha characters are for writing and numerics are for counting. They should never, ever be mixed. That is the cardinal rule of Audrebra. Now, if I can just figure out a way to graduate without taking Finite Math....

Thanksgiving vacation  
begins at 3 p.m. on  
Wednesday, Nov. 22



DMACC-Boone women's basketball team includes; front row from left to right, Malenna Henderson, Diane Schmidt, Jodi Blaha, Nikki Feeney, Emily Pool, Lori Tilley, back row; Angie Kading, Marnie Plath, Carrie Pervier, Pasquel Beauvais, Jessica Paulson, Angie Finkhouser.



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# DMACC women Bears eager to start season

By Aaron Wright  
Bear Facts Sports Writer

It's another season for Coach Dick Criner and his Bears in his fourteen year. During his career, he has been able to compile a 200-230 record. With nine new players and three returning, Coach Criner hopes to improve on the 3-18 record that was displayed from last year.

### In the post

Coach Criner does have seven girls at 5-7 or above. Carrie Pervier, 5-10 center, will clog up the lane by her aggressive rebounding and block shot capabilities. Angie Kading, 5-8 out of Adair-Casey, will interchange between the four and five positions this year. "Last year Kading averaged 12 ppg, 10 rpg, which will help us out a lot," added Julie Cronin, assisting Coach Criner.

The small forward role is the most-filled role on the roster this year. Diane Schmitt, Jessica Paulsen and Pasquel Beauvais all will compete. "They are all excellent shooters who can fill it up. I feel very confident with each and every girl. I think there has been a lot of potential," says Coach Criner.

### On the perimeter

Nikki Feeney brings back her 10 ppg, 10 apg average for her sophomore campaign. The 5-5 guard is a graduate of Boone. Lori Tilley, 5-6, and Angie "Hoops" Frankhouser also comes in as talented point guards. Frankhouser's deadly crossovers can easily blow past the average guard, and her quick speed will be useful in pushing the ball up the court. Emily Pool hails from North Mahaska High School in New Sharon, Iowa. "Averaging 17.9 ppg and 4.7 spg, she will have to step-up and play a bigger role on the team this year," said Coach Cronin.

"She is a hard worker," added Coach Criner. She brings her off guard talents to the Bears this upcoming season. Mellena Henderson, 5-8, is a tall guard for the line up this season. With her height, she will be able to rebound over much smaller guards and also muscle her way into the paint for a better percentage shot.

Esther Rude and Jodie Blaha come from Hoover and Boone respectively. Their talents will be used frequently and often. With the influx of guards who can handle the ball, DMACC

will be able to develop a solid rotation for this season

### The good

A new influx of players come to Boone to build a force to contend with. The team will display it's quickness to get by most other teams. Assistant Coach Cronin brings experience to these young Bears. She will be able to show them things that she has learned from her playing days at Iowa State University.

### The bad

A lack of interior rebounding is what is hurting. It will be hard for DMACC to contend on the boards against taller forwards and centers. A lot of freshmen will have to step up immediately and play.

### Final analysis

The future is bright over the rainbow. DMACC will simply have to out smart opponents. "With a young team, the Bears have lots of room for growth. This team is determined to get better everyday and the girls are always giving 110%," added Coach Cronin. Outletting the ball and pushing it up the court will be key. Team chemistry will play a key role in the final say.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Nov. 13 (M)	Kirkwood C.C.	H	6:00
17 (F)	ICCC-Ft. Dodge		
	Tournament	Ft. D.	
18 (S)	ICCC-Ft. Dodge		
	Tournament	Ft. D.	
20 (M)	ICCC-Ft. Dodge	H	6:00
30 (R)	William Penn J.V.	A	6:00
Dec. 2 (S)	Marshalltown C.C.	H	6:00
4 (M)	Ellsworth C.C.	A	6:00
6 (W)	SWCC-Creston	H	6:00
9 (S)	NIACC-Mason City	A	6:00
13 (W)	Central College J.V.	H	5:00
16 (S)	Waldorf	H	2:00
Jan. 10 (W)	Kirkwood C.C.	A	6:00
13 (S)	Iowa Lakes C.C.	H	2:00
17 (W)	Waldorf	A	6:00
20 (S)	Ellsworth C.C.	H	6:00
22 (M)	Marshalltown C.C.	A	6:00
24 (W)	Simpson J.V.	A	5:00
27 (S)	Wartburg J.V.	H	2:00
29 (M)	Central College J.V.	A	7:00
31 (W)	Simpson J.V.	H	5:00
Feb. 3 (S)	Iowa Lakes C.C.	A	5:00
7 (W)	SWCC-Creston	A	6:00
12 (M)	Wartburg J.V.	A	7:00
14 (W)	William Penn J.V.	H	6:00
16 (F)	Graceland J.V.	A	7:00
21 (W)	ICCC-Ft. Dodge	A	5:30
24 (S)	NIACC-Mason City	H	2:00



# DMACC men's season opens Saturday

By Julie Ann Cronin  
Bear Facts Sports Writer

DMACC-Boone is hoping for a full 360 degree turn from last years dizmo 8-22 team. In the beginning of the season, they started off with 15 players, but due to academics and other conflict, they finished only with 8. Coach Russ Jones feels that the outlook is very different this year. Working hard on the recruitment trail, Coach Jones grabbed the best recruitment class in Iowa JUCO. With and influx of transfers and walk-ons to help aid the cause, could this be the year that the roar come out of the Bears?

#### In the center

Chris Larson is the lone returnee down low. The aggressive 6-7, 215-pound sophomore forward averaged 13.0 points while shooting close to 60% from the field. He also led the conference in rebounding with a 11.3 per game average. Graduation and redshirts hit DMACC. Mike Sprecher who is 6-5, takes his 16.0 points, 10.0 rebounds, 1.4 blocks with him to Grand View College. Coach Jones will now turn to Aaron "KooL A" Wright. Wright, 6-7, 185-pound, is not a

true post player. He was recruited as a small forward, but due to lack of size and depth, he will now interchange between the four and three.

At the small forward role will be Sharod Williams, Noel McLaughin and Matt Otten. Williams, 6-5, 185-pound, hails from Brooklyn Tech H.S. in Brooklyn, New York. He brings with him his 19.0 points, 9.0 rebounds average. McLaughin is a transfer from Creston. He was a starting guard at Ballard High where he chipped in 17.0 points per game his senior year. Otten is a wide body athlete from Harwarden, Iowa. He has excellent moves inside also.

#### Perimeter

Sophomore Malcom Holman is looking to pick up right where he left off from last season. Despite the teams record, Holman was able to pump in 16.5 points and 10.1 assist nightly. DMACC will miss the services off Chad Schlepp this season. Schlepp, 9.0 points, 3.0 rebounds, 5.0 assist, is DMACC's all time steals leader. Here to replace him is David Carson and Seneca Belmont. Carson, who stands at 6-3, hails from our nation capital Washington. He is a pure passer and penetrator. Belmont, 6-1, 165-pound, is from Selbyville, Dela-

ware. Despite his height, he was able to put up: 19.0 points, 8.0 assist, 5.2 rebounds, in high school. Ernestus Drake is another pure penetrator hailing from Springfield, Illinois. With his jumping ability, Drake very easily rebounds over guards his height even taller. Kenyatta Patterson is one of two transfers that Coach Jones was able to grab. The talented 6-3 guard is a three point threat. He will penetrate at any given point. Dax Connely is a returning sophomore who decided to sit out last season. Despite the leave of absence, nothing has changed for this 6-2, 195-pound guard. He's a workhorse inside and out. Very aggressive and possibly DMACC's most hustling person. He is also a starter in baseball. Kieth Papin and Darrell Young hail from the motor city of Detroit. These Cass Tech graduates add depth and size. Both are three point threats. Nokeo Samosmith is from Ames High. The tiny 5-6 walk-on is a pocket grabber in stealing the ball. He very quick.

#### The good

This year Jones grabbed the best recruits pound for pound. DMACC will be very similar to New Mexico State last year, short but very athletic. The Bears will

be able to dominate a lot of there players with high scoring offense and full court press.

#### The bad

DMACC has only two returnees in Larson and Holman. The post is very thin. Wright being the tallest recruit and player, certainly doesn't have good size at 185. With so much offensive power and weapons, it's hard to find minutes for everyone. There's just not enough balls to go around.

#### Final analysis

The Bears has all what it takes to succeed, it's a matter of putting the pieces of the puzzle together. Look for a big change around record wise. This year will be a title contention year.

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#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

	Opponent	Site	Time
11 (S)	IWCC-Clarinda	H	7:00
13 (M)	Kirkwood C C	H	8:00
17 (F)	Indian Hills Tourney (vs. Marshalltown C C)	Ottumwa	6:00
18 (S)	Indian Hills Tourney (vs. Indian Hills)	Ottumwa	8:00
20 (M)	ICCC-Fort Dodge	H	8:00
25 (S)	Carl Sandburg C C	A	2:00
26 (Su)	Spoon River C C	A	3:00
2 (S)	Marshalltown C C	H	8:00
4 (M)	Ellsworth C.C.	A	8:00
6 (W)	SWCC-Creston	H	8:00
9 (S)	NIACC-Mason City	A	8:00
13 (W)	Indian Hills C.C.	H	7:00
16 (S)	Waldorf	H	4:00
5 (F)	BEAR CLASSIC Marshalltown vs. Waubensee	Boone	6:00
	John Wood vs. DMACC-Boone	Boone	6:00
6 (S)	BEAR CLASSIC Marshalltown vs. John Wood	Boone	6:00
	Waubensee vs. DMACC-Boone	Boone	8:00
10 (W)	Kirkwood C.C.	A	8:00
13 (S)	Iowa Lakes C.C.	H	4:00
17 (W)	Waldorf	A	8:00
20 (S)	Ellsworth C.C.	H	8:00
22 (M)	Marshalltown C.C.	A	8:00
24 (W)	Clinton C.C.	A	7:00
27 (S)	IWCC-Council Bluffs	H	4:00
29 (M)	IWCC-Clarinda	A	7:00
31 (W)	Clinton C.C.	H	7:00
3 (S)	Iowa Lakes C.C.	A	7:00
7 (W)	SWCC-Creston	A	8:00
14 (W)	William Penn J.V.	H	8:00
17 (S)	IWCC-Council Bluffs	A	2:00
21 (W)	ICCC-Fort Dodge	A	7:30
24 (S)	NIACC-Mason City	H	4:00



The 1995-96 men's basketball squad front row from left to right ; Seneca Belmont, Keith Papin, Dax Connely, Ernestus Drake, Malcom Holman, Nokeo Samosmith, back row; David Carson, Sharod Williams, Matt Otten, Aaron Wright, Chris Larson, Noel McLaughin, Kenyatta Patterson, Darrell Young.

# People behind books, computers help DMACC function

Text by Robin King  
Photos by Tricia Whitcher



**Ron Erickson**

Ron Erickson has been an employee of the Boone Campus for two years. He is the LAN Equipment Specialist. His hometown is Ames.

Erickson's favorite part of his job is filling out all of the questionnaires. One of the less favorable aspects of his job is intense media scrutiny.

One of his pastimes includes live music, and currently he is enrolled in the course Visual Basic offered at DMACC.

In his opinion, the Boone campus should have Internet access. He feels it would be an asset to the students.



**Karen Messler**

Karen Messler is an evening library clerk, who has been employed here at DMACC for one and one half years. Her favorite part of her job is helping students find material that they need for their papers and projects.

Together with her spouse, Wayne, they have three children. Carrie, 21, is a junior at the University of Northern Iowa. Melanie, 18, is a freshman at Iowa State University. Steven, 16, is a junior at the Boone High School.

Some of her pastimes include gardening, baking, and doing crafts. She likes popcorn, and fall is her most enjoyable time of the year.

One of the most embarrassing moments that she has had was the time she couldn't get out of the bathroom stall. The knobs on the stall doors were new and hard to turn. Since she couldn't get the door open, she ended up having to crawl underneath it to get out.



**Ann Watts**

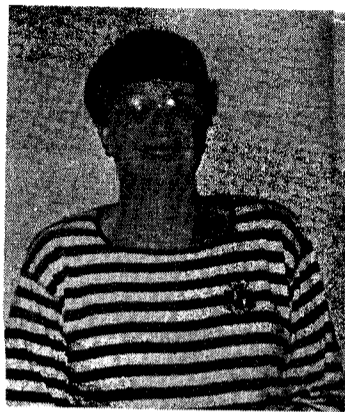
Ann Watts has been a librarian at the Boone campus for one year. Seeing a wide variety of people every day is what makes her job enjoyable. The campus's heart and soul, the library, is her favorite part of the campus.

Together with her spouse, Richard, they have three children: Joshua, 16, Emily 14, and Alex, 10.

Watts would change her inability to understand machinery if she were able to. She hates underachieving at anything.

Snickers and Mr. Pibb are her favorite foods. She loves all the seasons of the year but she does not like the month of January.

Since becoming employed here at DMACC, one of her most embarrassing moments was being kidnapped for her birthday.



**Kathy Kirkegaard**

Kathy Kirkegaard is originally from Orland Park, Illinois. She presently lives in Ogden. She has been employed as a library assistant for five years. Getting to know the students is one part of her job that she enjoys.

Colin, her spouse, is a veterinarian and works for Farmers Hybrid in Des Moines. Christian, their 19 year old son, is in the United States Navy Nuclear Power Program and is currently stationed in New York. Daughters Katie, 16, and Kari, 15, both attend school at Ogden Community High School.

A few of her interests include sewing, crafts, historic costumes, silk flower designs, knitting and of course reading. Her favorite food is lobster tail. The Canadian Goose is her favorite animal.

If Kirkegaard were able to go anywhere in the world for the day, she would go to a remote beach in the Caribbean and do nothing but relax.



**Carol Petersen**

Carol Petersen is the manager of the Campus Bookstore. She has been employed with DMACC for fifteen years. She spent twelve years in Ankeny and the past three years in Boone. Meeting new students as well as seeing familiar faces each semester makes her job enjoyable.

Her spouse, Dave, is the sales manager at Farmer Bocken in Ames. Their oldest son, Bret, and his fiancée, Jill, live in Waterloo. Jon, their middle child, and his bride Leslie reside in Ankeny. The youngest, Shannon, is a recent graduate of Iowa State University.

Some of her pastimes include reading and boating.

If she were to be granted any three wishes, her first would be for good health for her growing family. To have healthy grandchildren would be her second wish and less violence and peace in the world would be her third wish.

No photo available

**Judy Patterson**

Judy Patterson has been employed for six months as a clerk in the Boone Campus Bookstore. She retired from The National Animal Disease Center as a chemist on the Brucellosis Project.

Meeting students and persuing new books are her favorite aspects of the job. Her least favorite part of her job is when the computer crashes or locks up.

Patterson has three sons. Sean resides in Boone, Timothy in Des Moines, and Brian, a student at DMACC also lives in Boone.

She enjoys photography, fishing, genealogy, and reading. Hickory Park is her favorite restaurant and chicken marengo is her favorite food. She enjoyed the movie *Quiet Man*.

If given an opportunity to go anywhere in the world for the day, she would go to Ireland, where she has friends and relatives.

No photo available

**Lori Nystrom**

Lori Nystrom, a clerk in the Campus Bookstore, recently started her job here on the Boone campus. She enjoys helping the students purchase their books.

Her spouse, Curt, works for the Union Pacific Railroad. They have three children: Nick is 13, Brian is 10, and Marci is 5.

She enjoys watching sports, water skiing, and watching movies. *Forest Gump* is her favorite movie while Mel Gibson is tops as her favorite actor. She likes cats, the color blue, the fall season, pizza and The Olive Garden restaurant.

**The Computer Lab in Room 135B will be closed on Thursday, November 9 from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.**

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## DMACC Foundation scholarships available

By Jamie Lowe  
Bear Facts Staff

The DMACC Boone Campus Foundation sponsors scholarships every year. These scholarships are offered for the Fall, Spring, and Summer terms. The average award is \$354 and the awards range from \$50 for books to \$1,000. Approximately 100 to 125 scholarships given away each year. There are 53 civic, financial, and other such community organizations that sponsor these scholarships.

The scholarships are based on a wide range of areas including: financial need, academic eligibility, curriculum, athletic participation, and so on. The foundation has set up guidelines so that as many students as possible can be assisted.

The applications can be handed in year around. Those handed in between the beginning of the semester through December will be considered for the Spring term. If the applicant is in their first year at DMACC their application will be kept on hand for the following year. Those applications turned in by March or April will be considered for the next Fall Semester.

Along with the application a letter "explaining why you feel you're deserving of this award" is also necessary. The letter can state the situation you are in. Some examples of what can be included in the letter are your financial, extra curricular, work, or other such situations that may better explain yourself. You may wish to attach a resume as well to tell a little more about yourself. Letters of Recommendation may also be added if you feel they are necessary.

The Foundation has been established to simplify the application process for students. If this system were not in place the students would be forced to individually apply for each scholarship.

Applications can be obtained from the file in the downstairs hallway right inside the front main door. If there are any questions they may be directed toward Rich Finnestad or the Central Office Staff. This is a great time to get your application in to be considered for a Spring term award.



DMACC student Anna Steele and KRUU D.J. Randy Sierra, pose for photo after recently visiting with the Introduction to Mass Communications class.

## Voice of "Young Country" visits DMACC

By Bear Facts Staff

The Introduction to Mass Communication class welcomed KRUU (98.3) disc jockey Randy Sierra to their class on October 26. Sierra was invited to speak about how he became a D.J. and what his plans were for the future.

KRUU is a well known country station around Boone and 98.3 was originally a Boone station. It has since moved to Des Moines and now shares a studio with KJFY (92.5).

Sierra joined the station not knowing for sure if this was what he wanted to do. He began his radio career on a station in Fort Dodge. It was there that he met many of the other Des Moines D.J's.

Since Sierra has been on the air at KRUU, he has seen many changes in the way radio is handled. For example, some radio stations are using computer systems that allow the disc jockeys to be other places while on the air. They are able to record their shows a week before hand and simply put in the tape when they are not there. That is the reason why you cannot get through to the station over the weekend. No one is there to take your call.

Randy Sierra just started working as the program director for KRUU (98.3), and although his favorite music sound may not be country, he is going to settle with "Young Country" for now in his career.

## Blood Drive scheduled Nov. 29

The Blood Center of Central Iowa is calling all eligible donors to donate at the upcoming DMACC blood drive sponsored by the Nursing Students United. The drive will be held on Wednesday, November 29, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in the Student Center.

The entire process takes about 45 minutes and includes a mini-physical given by a Blood Center nurse. The actual drawing of blood takes from five to seven minutes. To be eligible to donate, donors need to be 17 years of age or older, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in general

good health. Donors should also eat a good meal before donating. If you wish to make an appointment or need more information, please call Connie Booth at 432-7203, ext. 1070. Sign up will be held in the Courter Center on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, November 13, 14, and 15.

Do you know someone who has needed blood during their lifetime? Chances are good that you do. Statistics say that 75% of people have at least one personal acquaintance who has used blood or blood products.

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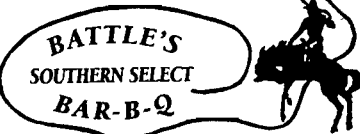
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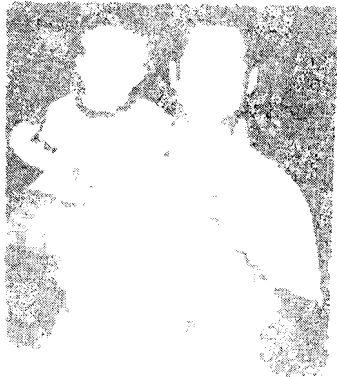
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# Meet the coaches



## Coach Russ Jones

### Personal

Hometown: East Peoria, Illinois  
Reside: Ames, Iowa  
Status: Married to Becky, has one son named Russell Jr.

### Athletics

Overall Record: 12-48  
Last Year Conference: 3-13  
Record at DMACC: 12-48  
Finished: 9th  
Last Season: 8-22  
Years at DMACC: 2

Coach Russ Jones is excited about this season, with having the best JUCO recruitment class, who wouldn't be excited. With studying the game carefully, Jones has tried to recruit the best players to fill the roles needed on the team. "We look for student athletes first. We want our kids to leave here with a since of direction far as the job market is concern," says Jones.

This season is unique for DMACC, they return only two sophomores Malcolm Holman, and Chris Larson. With twelve new faces on the court there is lots of room for growth and development. DMACC will hurt a lot of there opponents with there motion offense and diamond in one press. The Bears open at home on November eleventh at DMACC.

## By George

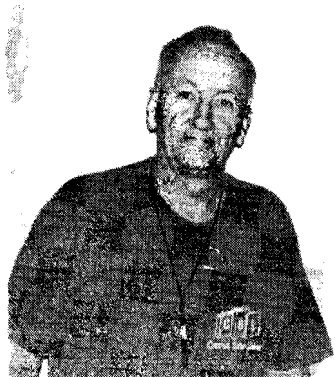
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discover a way to help a student over a particularly difficult problem.

College classes are a natural breeding ground for "Ahas." Research papers, speech assignments, math problems, physics projects, chemistry labs, and even exams can inspire an "Aha!" The experience can make you joyful, alive, energetic, and spontaneous.

Getting the proverbial "creative juices flowing" can be both fun and work. It could be the result of luck or persistence.

It requires spontaneity and step-by-step procedure. Looking for "Aha's!" can be demanding, fun, and energizing. Go for it!



## Coach Dick Criner

By Julie Ann Cronin  
Bear Facts Staff

### Personal

Hometown: Burlington, Iowa  
Reside: Boone, Iowa  
Status: Married to Eyelyn and one son Tim and two daughters Linda and Tina

### Athletics

Overall Record: 200-230  
Last Year Conference: ?  
Record at DMACC: 200-230  
Finished: 8th  
Last Season: 3-18  
Years at DMACC: 14

Coach Dick Criner is very excited about this season. Coming off of last years season being 3-18, Coach Criner took extra time recruiting for this season. With nine new players, there is lots of depth on the Lady Bears bench this year. This recruitment class is the biggest DMACC has had in years. "Our team is a young team, that needs a lot of work yet they have a big heart and a lot of determination to be the best," says Criner.

Things that will make the Lady Bears contend with the other teams in the conference this year is, "Our quickness and our running and gunning the ball, will help us because we will be able to run the teams into the ground," added Criner. With hope of the team to make it to the tournament and be in the top six.

## Creative Writing Club....

# Griffiths to advise

By Julie Ann Cronin  
Bear Facts Staff

Boone Campus will be organizing a creative writing club for all students, faculty and staff. The club advisor will be Martha Griffiths, an English instructor at Boone.

An organizational meeting will be held on November 14, at 12:30 p.m. in the southeast corner of the Courter Center. Topics discussed will be meeting times and dates and also the purpose and structure of the group.

"I want to provide a community atmosphere for writers to write," said Griffiths. The writing club will have all genres of writing such as poetry, short stories and non-fiction.

If you can't make it to the meeting, contact Griffiths at extension 1041 or in her office (124.)

# Conference focuses on gays in the media

By Mark H. Williams  
Contributing Writer

The first Upper Midwest College Journalists conference was held in Minneapolis on November 4, 1995. It was sponsored by the National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association. The day-long conference was attended by 50 college journalists from six surrounding Midwest states.

This conference was designed to help student journalists be more effective in presenting issues concerning the gay community and in helping gay journalists deal with these issues in the work place.

Michelle Ames, the first speaker, is editor-in-chief at the *Minnesota Daily*, which has a circulation of 4,5000 daily papers and a operating budget of \$2.5 million a year. Ames described what it is like to work at the college newspaper, how they decide what stories to run, and how they should be presented. She said her biggest

problem in dealing with gay issues, is in presenting a non-partisan view of the issues. "It is extremely hard," she remarked, "not to take sides on many issues, but that is part of our job. We must present (the issues) fairly and accurately, even if we don't like it."

The afternoon session started with a professional panel focusing on coming out in the work place. The panel consisted of Mark Kasel, a staff writer for the *Twin Cities Lavender Lifestyle*, Chris Badowski, former staff producer of *The Oprah Winfrey Show* and producer at the Fox network in Chicago; John Welsh, reporter at the *St. Cloud Times*, and Jane

Helmke, a special projects producer at KARE-TV in the Twin Cities.

The main thrust of the seminar was that it is a choice whether to "come out" at work or not. Many media jobs do offer a more open and receptive work environment, but there are



## Correction

Jody Newbold's hometown is Boone. She has worked at the campus for five years as part of the

lunch staff. She enjoys being around the students.

Bill, her husband, works for Pacific Railroad. Together they have four children and four grandchildren. In her spare time, she enjoys finishing antique furniture.

Her favorite part of the campus is the Lloyd Courter Center because it has all the windows.

still some companies that would not deal well with a gay employee.

Comments on whether or not to comment on a person's sexual preference in a story came down to whether that piece of information was pertinent to the story or not. In other words, is it necessary to the story? Does the fact that someone is gay add anything to a story on a basketball game?

A discussion followed about getting a job. All on the panel made it clear that they would not discriminate toward or favor anyone who was gay. Caesar Chavez, a writer/producer at WGN-TV in Chicago, said, "One of the most important things in getting a good job, is to get good solid internships, starting in your sophomore year, and to stay in contact with these people."

The day ended with a brief overview of the on-line system at the *Minneapolis Star Tribune*. Next year the conference will be held in Chicago.



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