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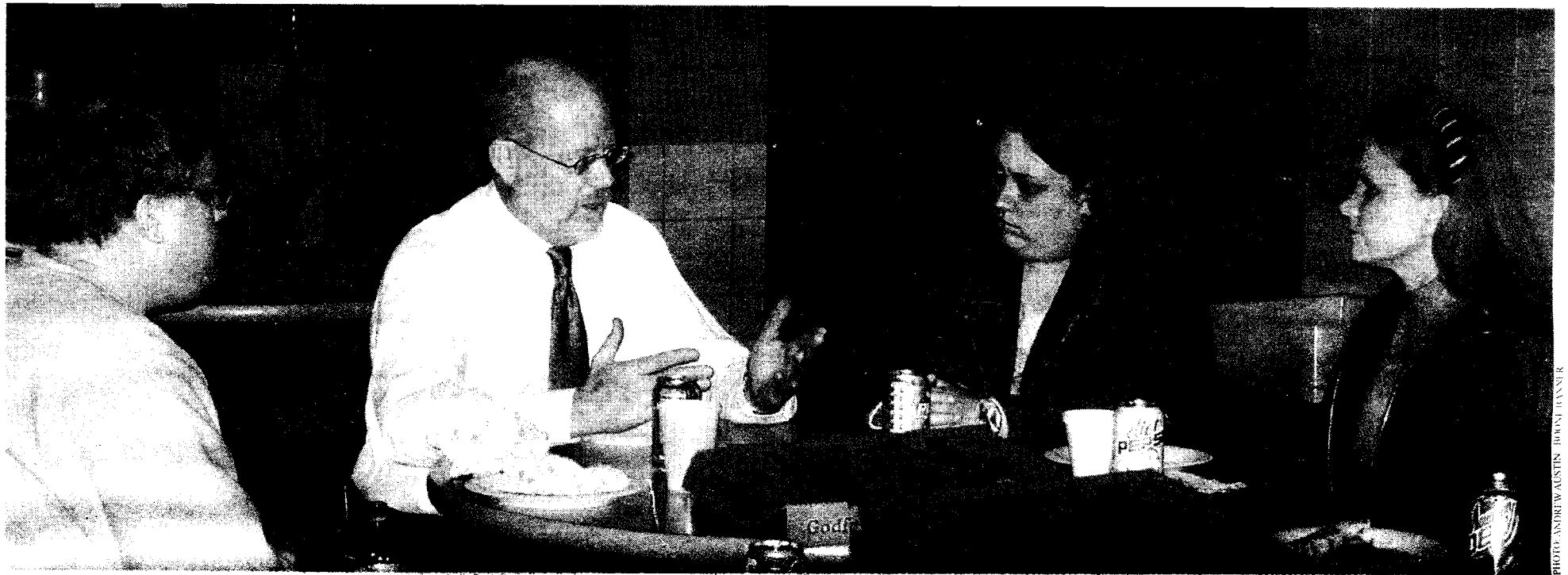
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Des Moines Area Community College

In search of a new provost



Second of five Boone Campus provost applicants, Chris Duree (center), vice president of instruction at Southwestern Community College in Creston, Iowa, tells Glen Mcphail (left) and PBL president Megan Rungee, both Boone Campus students, why he is interested in applying for the position over pizza in an informal setting. Current Boone Campus provost Vivian Brandmeyer will be retiring this summer.

Boone Campus interviews five applicants for new provost this month

By Andrew Austin
Banner Staff Writer

The first two of five candidates to be the new Boone Campus provost, Dr. Don Tomas and Chris Duree, visited with Boone Campus students and faculty members and toured the campus while interviewing for the position.

The Boone Campus Provost Search Committee, responsible for narrowing the selection field, is made up of five members of the Boone Campus faculty and staff, as well as five members from the local community. The committee has selected five potential candidates for the position of Boone Campus Provost.

The five candidates are visiting the Boone Campus as part of their interview process,

and are speaking with campus faculty, community members and DMACC students about their past work and community experience, as well as their qualifications for the position, which is being vacated by current provost Vivian Brandmeyer, who is retiring this summer.

The committee has set up "Pizza with the Provost" meetings with each candidate, which give students who represent major Boone Campus organizations and activities a chance to sit down and speak with each of the candidates in an informal setting, in an effort to get students involved in the selection process.

According to the job announcement published by DMACC, the minimum qualifications for the position include a master's degree and several years of teaching and administrative experience.

However, the Search Committee is also placing a decided emphasis on other qualifications as well, such as experience interacting with and drawing in the local community.

"We want someone who is a strong community person," said Paula Goldsworth, a member of the committee. "We're looking for someone to bring the college to the community, and also the community to the college."

According to Goldsworth, the committee will select two of the five candidates and submit their selections to DMACC President Rob Denson and Kim Linduska, Senior Vice President of Academic Affairs, who will make the final decision.

Dr. Kim Linduska, DMACC executive vice president of Academic Affairs, announced that these five candidates will be brought to

Provost candidates, listed in alphabetical order:

- Lyn Broderson, associate dean of Community and Industrial Technology at Metropolitan Community College in Omaha, Neb.
- Chris Duree, vice president of Instruction at Southwestern Community College in Creston, Iowa.
- Tom Lee, principal at East High School in the Des Moines Independent School District.
- Gary McClanahan, director of Central Campus in the Des Moines Independent School District.
- Don Tomas, associate dean of Instruction at Southwest Texas Junior College in Ulvdale, Tex.

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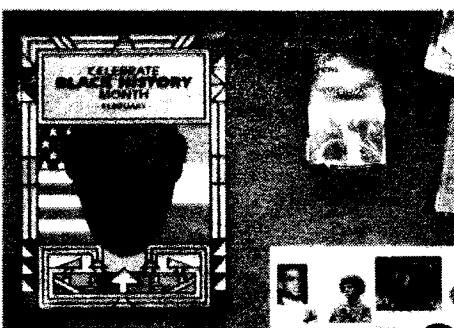
CAMPUS NEWS

PBL selects their Valentine's "guess the number of Hershey's kisses" contest winner



BLACK HISTORY

The Boone Campus celebrates Black History Month with a quiz and library display



YOUR PAGE

New column, Dear Cass, answers questions and offers advice from a student's point of view



FEATURES

Meet Brad Heber, Boone Campus student and musician with an impressive resume



WORLD NEWS

Rice urges 'a new chapter' in U.S.-European relations

By Warren P. Strobel
Knight Ridder Newspapers

PARIS - Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice beseeched Europeans on Tuesday to set aside their caustic dispute with the United States over the war in Iraq and join President Bush's campaign to bring democracy to the Muslim world.

Speaking in the capital of European opposition to the Iraq invasion and other Bush foreign policies, Rice



Rice

told an audience of French academics and government officials: "It is time to turn away from the disagreements of the past. It is time to open a new chapter in our relationship, and a new chapter in our alliance."

It was a refrain she later repeated in meetings with French President Jacques Chirac and Foreign Minister Michel Barnier.

French officials seemed eager

to portray U.S.-French relations as improving. Barnier referred to Rice as "Condi," as if she were a close friend. "The time has come to turn the page, to write a new chapter in relations ... to get off to a new start," Barnier said at a joint news conference.

But there were no signs from the French that they'd do more in Iraq and no promises from American officials that they'd cooperate more with European efforts to negotiate with Iran over that country's nuclear program, talks for which the Bush administration has shown little enthusiasm.

But there were smiles and efforts by Rice's aides to portray her speech as evidence that the United States is serious about better relations before Bush's visit to Europe later this month.

Rice praised the expansion of the European Union, in a reference aides said was intended to show that the United States no longer would pit, in the words of Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, "Old Europe," where opposition to American policy on Iraq was strong, against "new Europe," the former Soviet bloc countries that supported U.S. policy.

"The United States welcomes,

above all, the growing unity of Europe," Rice said in her speech at the Sciences Politiques, the university that trains much of France's elite. "America has everything to gain from having a stronger Europe as a partner in building a safer and better world."

The selection of the Sciences Politiques was calculated to hammer home the idea that Rice was reaching out to opponents. The university is the historic center of French intellectual debate, and her audience consisted of teachers, students and prominent diplomats. Among those attending was former French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing.

Rice's 25-minute speech, which she delivered in lecturelike tones, was met by polite applause. The tone of questions afterward was respectful and nonconfrontational.

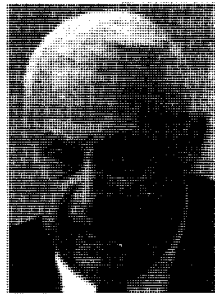
"This is a wonderful institution that fosters ... debate," she told one questioner. "And it is no secret that the United States and France have sometimes disagreed in the past about how to proceed on a common agenda."

Sharon wins approval for withdrawal plan, security barrier route

By Soraya Sarhaddi Nelson and Cliff Churgin
Knight Ridder Newspapers

JERUSALEM - Israel's government on Sunday ratified Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's controversial plans to turn over the Gaza Strip to Palestinians this summer while cutting them off from swaths of the West Bank with a new security barrier route.

It was the first time Israel has decided to remove Jewish settlements from land claimed by the Palestinians for a future state.



Sharon

Palestinian officials were unhappy with the measures, which they view as an attempt by Israeli leaders to draw borders unilaterally. Even the Gaza withdrawal of soldiers and settlers beginning in July, which is welcome in principle, shouldn't be done without linking them to future peace talks and further withdrawals, Palestinian Cabinet Secretary Hassan Abu Libdeh said Sunday evening.

For Sharon, the much-needed political victory was bittersweet. Late Sunday, he described the Gaza withdrawal decision as the "most difficult" in his 60-year of public service.

But, he said Sunday in a televised address to the nation, "I'm convinced that the decision we took is the right one to ensure Israel's future as a Jewish and democratic state."

Once considered the champion of Jewish settlers, the former general is now a traitor to many of them for being the first Israeli leader to cede settlements to the Palestinians.

"It's not an easy day, it's not a happy day," Sharon said at the beginning of his marathon cabinet meeting Sunday. "But it's a critical move for the state of Israel."

In the first vote, ministers endorsed his embattled plan, by a vote of 17-5, to pull back settlers and soldiers from all of the Gaza Strip and four of 120 West Bank settlements. Sharon reinforced the measure by signing an order making it illegal for Israelis to be in the Gaza Strip after July 20. Some 9,000 settlers will be removed over two months and receive up to \$871 million in compensation.

Despite the vote, settler leaders vowed to keep fighting. One of the leaders, Pinchas Wallerstein, called it "the day of judgment."

"This is not the time to rend our garments. We must prevent the implementation of this law with all of our strength," Wallerstein said in a Sunday interview on state-run Israel Radio.

The second cabinet vote Sunday evening, 20-1, set the final route of Israel's controversial separation barrier in the West Bank to include two large settlement blocs near Jeru-

salem. The final segment of the barrier will leave some 7 percent of the West Bank, and some 10,000 Palestinians on the Israeli side. Israeli media reported that Israeli leaders believe the Bush Administration supports the new route.

Sharon said the new alignment balances Israel's security needs and a ruling by Israel's highest court that demanded the barrier be built closer to the pre-1967 border. The Israeli government has said it is building the barrier to prevent Palestinian suicide bombers and gunmen from getting into Israel, but Palestinians, who've lost tens of thousands of acres thus far to the structure, have denounced it as a thinly veiled land grab.

Abu Libdeh said Sunday's vote on the barrier makes it more difficult for Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas to convince his people to trade violence for negotiations.

"The impact will be further confiscation of lands, further suffocation of the people and further disbelief that Israel is serious about peace," he said of the latest approved segment of the 425-mile barrier, which is roughly a third complete.

While Sunday's vote effectively quashed Sharon's political opponents, one potential hurdle remains, a vote in March on the national budget. If he loses, which at this point appears unlikely, Sharon's government would fall and the measures approved Sunday would stall.

Phi Theta Kappa regional convention comes to Boone Campus

By Megan Shadle
Banner Staff Writer

Phi Theta Kappa Regional Convention is taking place this Thursday and Friday, Feb. 24 and 25, on the Boone Campus, with over 125 students from other community colleges around Iowa.

The two-day event, representing 27 chapters, will include a transfer fair, where over 20 colleges from five surrounding states will have booths set up in the L.W. Courter Center, distributing transfer and scholarship information to students.

The convention, in its sixth year (fifth year on the Boone Campus), is co-hosted by Iowa Central Community College's chapter and Tau Phi, the Boone Campus chapter.

The convention will include the presentation of awards earned by outstanding chapters throughout the state, as well as an election for Phi Theta Kappa regional officers.

The event will also include a mini-market, where Phi Theta Kappa will be selling the organization's T-shirts, lanyards and pins, as well as Lance Armstrong's LiveStrong cancer bracelets and other cancer charity bands.

IN BRIEF

Man accused of plotting to assassinate Bush, establish terrorist cell

WASHINGTON - A former high school valedictorian in suburban Virginia was accused Tuesday of plotting to assassinate President Bush and trying to set up an Osama bin Laden terrorist cell in the United States.

Ahmed Omar Abu Ali, 23, made a brief appearance in federal court in Alexandria, Va., and his lawyer, Edward MacMahon, said after a hearing that he would plead not guilty. Abu Ali was transferred to the United States early this week from Saudi Arabia, where he had been held without charges since June 2003.

Bush hails NATO pledge for support in Iraq

BRUSSELS, Belgium - President Bush, on a European tour to heal transatlantic relations bruised badly by his invasion of Iraq, won a unanimous pledge Tuesday from NATO that all 26 member nations will contribute modest, largely symbolic support to help stabilize Iraq.

Bush also sought to quell European concerns that he's itching to take military action against Iran over its nuclear ambitions, calling such fears "simply ridiculous." However, he quickly added: "Having said that, all options are on the table," a line he's often used when asked about dealing with Iran and one that left his ultimate message to Tehran ambiguous.

The president and White House officials were all smiles when NATO officials announced a unanimous pledge to increase the number of trainers of Iraqi security forces and to donate more financially to the mission. U.S. officials hailed the contributions as a sign that the White House and European capitals are putting their differences over Iraq behind them.

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IOWA NEWS

Rotoract needs donations

Jane Martino and Rotoract have a problem with the children of Columbia.

"We have a garage full of equipment that needs to go to Columbia, baseball equipment," said Martino, Boone Campus Rotoract adviser and psychology instructor.

"The kids need this equipment. They don't have it down there. But getting that sent is gonna cost money."



Horn

Rotoract has a history of providing Colombian children with the essential tools of the game. So far this year they've been able to raise \$200 towards shipping the equipment, which was donated by the Y-Camp near Boone.

The uncharitable among us

might ask how it benefits DMACC to use resources providing foreign children with baseball gloves. They need ask no further than Fabian Sotelo, a DMACC student and baseball player from Columbia. "Teams in the league where we played don't have that much equipment, so sometimes we lack the facilities to play," he said. "That was a gift from Rotoract."

Sotelo is proud to be helping the less fortunate back home, as he was once helped. "We're going to take some pictures and bring them back here, to show that it's an international project."

Sotelo, George Crismatt, Boone Campus baseball player and Steve Greenfield, area businessman, are taking care of the equipment, shifting it between garages and basements until sufficient funds can be raised to ship it to Barranquilla, Columbia.

Those wishing to donate funds may contact Martino at ext. 5068 or jhmartino@dmacc.edu.

Transfer fair to be held on Boone Campus

DMACC Boone Campus will be hosting a Transfer Fair.

Your questions will be answered about transfer planning.

Representatives from four-year colleges and universities will be available to visit with.

Colleges from all over Iowa and also several other states invited to attend are: Augus-

tana College, Central College, Coe College, Columbia College, Cornell College, Dakota Wesleyan University, Drake University, Graceland University, Grand View College, Grinnell College, Iowa State University, Iowa Wesleyan College, Mount Mercy College, Peru State College, Simpson College, Truman State University, University of

Dubuque, University of Iowa, University of Northern Iowa, University of Missouri-Rolla, University of South Dakota and Upper Iowa University.

Phi Theta Kappa will sponsor the Transfer Fair which will be held on Friday, Feb. 25 in the L.W. Courter Center on DMACC Boone Campus.

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the DMACC Boone Campus for interviews.

The general public is also invited to meet the finalists during individual receptions held for each candidate. The remaining receptions, held in the L.W. Courter Center, are scheduled as follows:

•Wed., Feb. 23, 11:15 a.m. - noon, Tom Lee.

•Thur., Feb. 24, 4:00-4:45 p.m., Gary McClanahan.

•Mon., Feb. 28, 11:15 a.m. - noon, Lyn Broderson

The new provost is expected to begin July 1, 2005. The new provost will succeed Brandmeyer, who has spent the last 31 years at DMACC, including the last two and a half years as Provost of the DMACC Boone Campus.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Campus News Briefs

Blue Crew

Boone Campus Gym

What: Student dance team performance

When: Feb. 28 BB half-time

Boone Campus Play

Boone Campus Auditorium

What: Drama production of "Don't Mention My Name"

When: Friday, March 4 and Saturday, March 5 at 7 p.m.

Transfer Fair

L.W. Courter Center

What: Phi Theta Kappa College Transfer Fair

When: Friday, Feb. 25 at 9 a.m. - noon

Men's Basketball

Boone Campus Gym

What: Men's Basketball vs. Iowa Central

When: Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m.

What: Men's Basketball vs. Southwestern

When: Wednesday, March 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Women's Basketball

Boone Campus Gym

What: Women's Basketball vs. Iowa Central

When: Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 5:30 p.m.

What: Women's Basketball vs. Iowa Western

When: Monday, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m.

Phi Theta Kappa

Boone Campus Room 225

What: Tau Phi Members Meeting

When: Mondays, 12:30 p.m.

Salon of the Mind

L.W. Courter Center

What: A philosophical discussion group

When: Mondays at 11:30 a.m.

PBL names contest winner



"Guess the number of Hershey's kisses" contest winner Ashley Crouthamel (center) pictured above with PBL members Megan Runge and Kathleen Crouse won Hershey's kisses, stuffed animals and dinner for 2 at Ames' Dublin Bay restaurant. The total number of Hershey kisses in the jar was 200. Crouthamel was one of 44 students who entered the contest.

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Cash awards for creative writing

The Boone Campus will be holding a creative writing contest next month, awarding its winners with cash prizes.

Interested DMACC students who are enrolled in at least one class on the Boone Campus or the Ames High Center during the spring 2005 semester are eligible.

Short fiction stories and poetry entered must not have been previously published or awarded prizes.

Students may submit up to five poems, fiction short stories or a combination of both poems and fiction short stories, for a total of five pieces altogether. Students are not required to submit more than one piece.

To enter, submit entries to either Judy Hauser, in room 132 or Jerrine McCaffrey, in room 125.

Entries will be accepted immediately through noon on Friday, March 18 (last day before spring break). No late entries will be accepted.

Format Requirements:

- All entries need to be typed.
- All entries need to be stapled together with a cover sheet on the front.
- The cover sheet should have the student's name, social secu-

rity number, address, and phone number, along with this italicized statement followed by your signature and date:

I verify that the work I am submitting is original, has been written exclusively by me, and is unpublished. DMACC has my permission to reproduce and distribute these fiction short stories and/or poems.

- No name or any other identification should appear on the submitted poems or short fiction stories.

• In addition to print copy, all entries need to be turned in on a disk that can be read by Microsoft Word. Disks need to be labeled with the entrant's name.

• Print copies of the entries on the disk should be submitted together in one envelope.

Entries will not be accepted if they do not adhere to the above format requirements.

Cash prizes are provided by the DMACC Boone Campus Foundation:

Fiction short story first place: \$25; second place: \$15; third place: \$10.

Poetry first place: \$25; second place: \$15; third place: \$10.

Student athletes lead SAC participation

By Benjamin Bolluyt
Banner Correspondent

Student participation in the Student Activities Council, the Boone Campus student government, has been limited almost exclusively to athletes over the past five years.

This semester's student board is made up of five students, four of which are student athletes, said Ben Conrad, head women's basketball coach and SAC adviser.

"That's something we're trying to change," Conrad said. "It's been my experience that student athletes are the ones who want to get involved."

Part of the reason for the imbalance is that student athletes live on campus, Conrad said. The majority of the residents in the Borgen Square apartments are student athletes, Conrad said.

Conrad, as well as former SAC adviser Lisa Mathes, works in the athletic department at DMACC, and encourages young athletes to participate in the student government.

One reason students might want to be on the board is because of the SAC budget.

This budget allocates funds extracted from students' tuition and fees, and determines how much on-campus student groups and activities receive every year.

This year's budget, determined last year, sets aside the largest percentage of funds for athletics: 44 percent of the entire budget, over \$7,000.

The second largest recipient is the SAC itself.

All Boone Campus students are eligible to become members of SAC.

"If you want to be in SAC," Conrad said, "you've got to go out and get signatures of students to support you being in SAC, because you are representing them."

"We will publicize in the fall, and give everybody the opportunity to get on that board," Conrad said. "We would like more students to be interested in getting on it."

There are six SAC seats available in the fall each year.

"If there aren't any more than six people that want to be involved, there's no point in having an election," Conrad said.

Next year's budget has not yet been decided by the council. Conrad encourages student input in the meantime. Some of this year's funds may still be available to those who are coordinating campus activities.

Currently, there is no future meeting for SAC planned, said Conrad.

SAC budget for 2004-2005

Athletics	44%	\$7,003
SAC	24%	\$3,820
Banner	7%	\$1,114
PBL	7%	\$1,114
PTK	5%	\$796
Rotoract	3%	\$477
Civil Eng.	2%	\$318
Drama	2%	\$318
Nursing	2%	\$318
Intramurals	1%	\$159
Tutoring	1%	\$159
Bear Crew	1%	\$159
Pep Band	1%	\$159

Banner now easy to access online

By Cassandra Peterson
Banner Staff Writer

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in the Fall 2005 to be eligible for this scholarship. No appointment necessary. FAFSA forms and pens will be provided.

DMACC's priority deadline date for the 2005-06 FAFSA is April 1, 2005, so plan to attend one of the times below at your campus for help with your form.

Boone Campus Courter Center - Feb. 28 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

OPINION

Respect, please

One of the most important pieces of advice you receive growing up is to show respect. Children are told to respect their parents, teachers, elders and exhibit tact when dealing with others around you.

Respect is one of the most important things in everyday life. Respect can get you a long way in this world, and not showing respect will most definitely show your fellow man a few character flaws.

It is very important to show respect to those we encounter and hope to be respected back. As young people respecting authority figures, it is insulting when the respect is not returned. Remember, this is the same generation with the idea of respect so close to them, the generation frustrated with people our age and our apparent lack of respect.

Of course, like mom always said, people will only treat you how you allow them to treat you. Up until a few days ago we were almost convinced that this was true.

It is frustrating when we as students and in our case, journalists are not taken seriously.

In an attempt to gather quotes for a piece that was set to appear in the newspaper, we were not shown the respect we had hoped for. The sources seemed to be willing to help when we first explained our position and piece, but when it came time to tie names to opinions, the sources acted like it was a big joke.

As journalists and students trying to do our jobs, it is a slap in the face when we are not taken seriously.

On another note, is it right for us as journalists to be shunned by student organizations? And why are these organizations not willing to post events and meeting times? It is belittling to be told that a meeting is to take place at a certain time, and already be over when we arrive.

It is dumbfounding to be ridiculed and shunned by people who we treat with respect. It makes it difficult to continue being professional, when we are treated as children.

For those of us who want to be professional journalists, it was a reality check to see how people on campus perceived the Banner. Even though the way we were treated was frustrating and belittling, we will still treat you with respect.

Staff editorial by Cassandra Peterson, staff writer and Jenifer Schumacher, News Section Editor



No smoking in the workplace

By Sarah Vasquez
Banner Staff Writer

What would happen if your place of employment no longer allowed you to smoke at work and they even told you couldn't smoke in the privacy of your own home?

If you are applying for any position at the Kalamazoo Valley Community College, smoking is not an option. A hiring policy was put into effect. The policy restricts new employees from using tobacco products, both in and out of the work place.

"Previously hired employees won't be fired for smoking, but part-time workers who smoke will not be allowed to accept full-time positions with the college," said Sandy Bohnet, the college's vice president for human relations.

Policies regarding employee smoking are always controversial, but is it really all that bad? Should places of employment take implement these policies?

Many respect this law, while others feel that they're being discriminated against; as a non-smoker, I feel that not only are the lives of

those who smoke in jeopardy, but so are those who don't.

Also, walking into a building where employees are standing out front burning one down isn't necessarily the most professional atmospheres to enter in to.

One thing we must all realize is that companies are making such non-smoking policies, not to infringe on individuals' rights or burden its employees' freedoms, but rather to cut health insurance costs and to better its employees' health.

World's future relies on political, behavior reform

By Andrew Austin
Banner Staff Writer

Political trends would lead us to believe, for all intensive purposes, that the environment is expendable. The environment, an asset we have been endowed with naturally, has been regarded as something to

invest in only as long it is affordable and politically viable.

The Western world in general, not just the United States, has an unhealthy obsession with fossil fuels and largely disregards the consequences of using these fuels. Canada, Great Britain and most of Europe are seeing reductions in

CO2 emissions, the United States is expected to see year another annual gain.

President Bush's "Clean Skies" bill, the results of four years of tinkering with the Clean Air Act, has been predicted to reduce greenhouse emissions significantly in the first few years of its implemen-

tation. However, the bill fails to target point-source polluters, and therefore only skirts the edge of what the Clean Air Act endeavored to do.

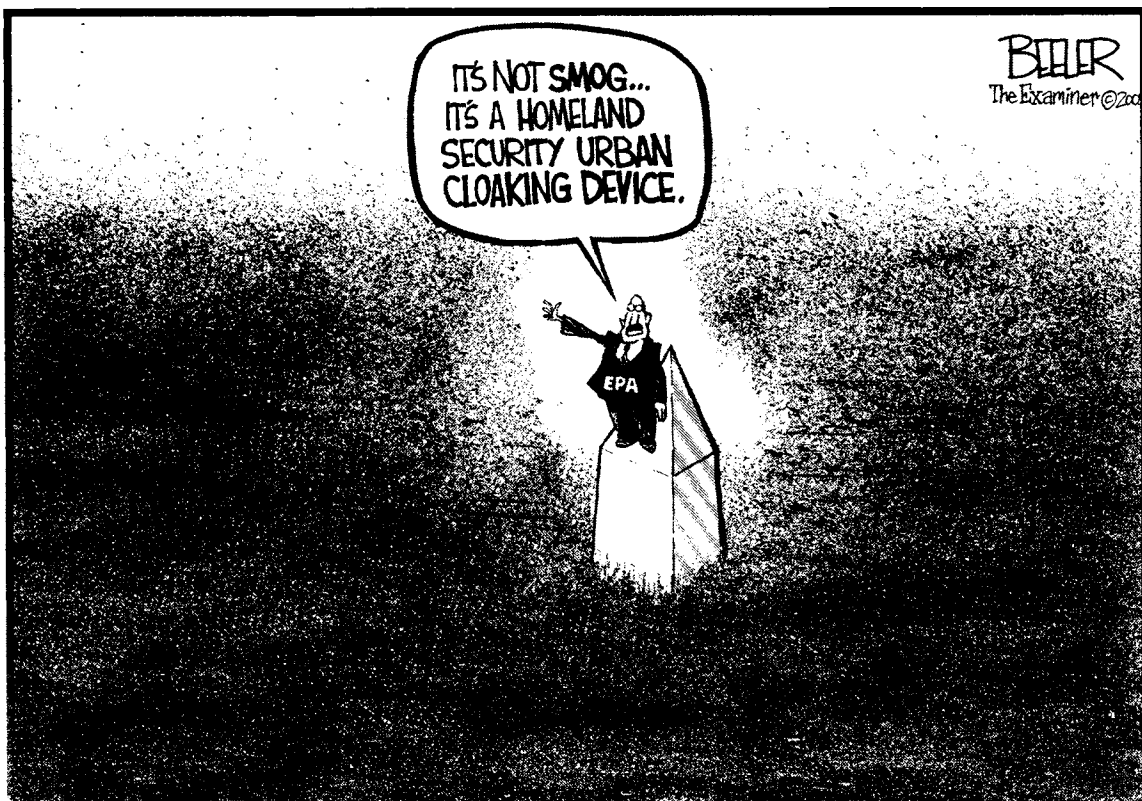
But even new legislation only provides a temporary solution to a problem that will, unless popular behavior is drastically modified, continue to worsen.

With China and India poised on the cusp of industrialization, we should only expect to see fossil fuel

consumption rates and CO2 emissions rise.

The wealthy West should be trying to avoid fossil fuels and move toward clean-burning energies; hydrogen, wind and solar power.

President Bush has pledged several billion dollars in the pursuit of perfecting a fuel cell that is efficient at converting hydrogen into usable energy. However, the president also has his eye on ANWR, and the fossil fuels that can be found beneath it. This duplicity will only hurt us in the future.



We want your views

Send us letters in response to respect on campus by 5 p.m. Monday, March 7, and we will publish them in the next issue.

Let us know how important respect is on-campus and in general.

Do you think that Boone Campus students respect each other? How about instructors?

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Letters must be signed and include your DMACC campus or hometown. Letters should not exceed 250 words.

We want your views

Send us letters in response to smoking on campus by 5 p.m. Monday, March 7, and we will publish them in the next issue.

Do you smoke? Are you a non-smoker?

How do you feel about the Boone Campus' current smoking policies?

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In Need of a Coach

DMACC Volleyball on the lookout

By Ryan Young
Banner Staff Writer

The Bears volleyball team is running without a leader right now. Former head coach Lisa Mathes coached the team for two years, leaving after a successful 2004 season.



Mathes

Posting a 30-15 overall record while going 10-3 in conference, the final loss of the season came in the regional tournament to a tough Kirkwood squad, who ended

up going deep into the Division II national tournament and finishing 5th in the nation.

Moving into the 2005 campaign, the head coach position is wide open, but had a Feb. 18 deadline for applications. Athletic Director Orv Salmon said that he would ideally like to have the position filled by mid-March. Hiring by March would give the incoming coach ample time to get recruiting on the way and assess the returning talent.

The 2005 squad should have a strong returning nucleus, led by last season's co-captain Amanda Meyer. Meyer led the Bears in hitting percentage (0.429%) and assists (8.074 per game) last year.

The Bears are losing a few key members. Freshman Bailey Saal is moving on to Washburn Univer-

sity, while sophomore co-captain McKenzie Knox and sophomore 2nd team All-American Danielle Pegram have finished up their DMACC careers.

With such a visible part of the team leaving, the new head coach will have a few obstacles to clear but by no means will this be a rebuilding year for the Bears; they finished just two spots out of the NJCCA Division II rankings and third in Region XI.

The position is advertised for an educational advisor as well as the volleyball coach. According to a DMACC job announcement, the position is to "provide academic advising, recruitment, assessment...in order to facilitate the personal growth and educational success of students."

Bear Stats

Men's Basketball

Monday, Feb. 14

#6 DMACC.....101
Central J.V.....51 F

Wednesday, Feb. 16

#6 DMACC.....66
Ellsworth Community College.....62 F

Iowa Community College Athletic Conference Standings

Div. II	Conf.		Over.	
	W	L	W	L
Kirkwood CC	9	2	19	6
DMACC	7	2	21	3
Ellsworth CC	9	3	17	10
Iowa Central CC	8	3	17	7
Clinton CC	5	6	11	14
Southwestern CC	3	7	11	13
Iowa Lakes CC	1	10	9	17
NIACC	0	9	3	22

National Junior College Athletic Association Rankings

Div. II	Rank	Record	
		W	L
Brown Muckie College	1	25	1
Mott CC	2	22	2
Cecil CC	3	22	1
Owens CC	4	21	3
Prince George's CC	5	20	3
DMACC	6	19	4
Monroe CC	7	23	3
Lincoln College	8	21	5
Frederick CC	9	22	2
Lackawanna College	10	22	3

Women's Basketball

Wednesday, Feb. 16

#9 DMACC.....71
Ellsworth Community College.....60 F

Saturday, Feb. 19

#9 DMACC.....87
Marshalltown Community College.....63 F

Iowa Community College Athletic Conference Standings

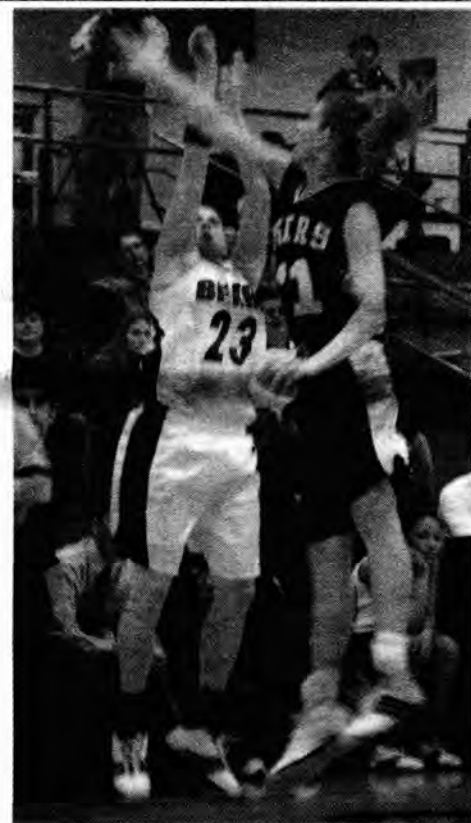
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	W	L	W	L
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DMACC	10	1	21	6
Iowa Lakes CC	8	4	18	9
Iowa Central CC	6	6	12	14
Marshalltown CC	6	7	11	14
NIACC	1	8	17	11
Southwestern CC	3	11	11	17
Ellsworth CC	0	13	8	19

National Junior College Athletic Association Rankings

Div. II	Rank	Record	
		W	L
Kirkwood CC	1	22	5
Monroe CC	2	23	3
Illinois Central	3	19	5
Kellogg CC	4	22	2
Lake Land College	5	19	6
Kankakee CC	6	21	5
Carl Sandburg College	7	23	1
CC of Rhode Island	8	21	3
DMACC	9	19	5
Penn Valley CC	10	17	8



DMACC women defeat Marshalltown 87 to 63 Saturday.



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BLACK HISTORY

Celebrating Black History



Bulletin board display in the Boone Campus library, honoring famous African Americans and African American literature as part of this year's Black History Month on the Boone Campus.

Win a \$20 bookstore certificate for knowing Black History

February is Black History Month, and the DMACC Boone Campus is celebrating with a quiz and drawing for a \$20 gift certificate to the Boone Campus Bookstore.

To enter the drawing, complete the quiz below by matching the important events in African-American history to the correct corresponding answer.

Mark the letter of your answer on the line before each event.

Make sure to add your name and contact information, before clipping out the quiz.

Quizzes should be deposited in the gold contest box, located in the Boone Campus library by noon on March 2, 2005.

One winning entry will be selected from all correct quizzes submitted by the deadline.

The winner's name will be printed in the next issue of the Banner.

Black History Month Quiz

Events

- ___ U.S. Secretary of State during G. W. Bush's first term in office
- ___ Current U.S. Secretary of State
- ___ First African-American appointed a Supreme Court Justice
- ___ Currently the only African-American on the Supreme Court
- ___ First African-American woman astronaut
- ___ First African-American woman to run for U.S. President
- ___ First African-American U.S. Senator
- ___ Year National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) was founded
- ___ Year Malcolm X was murdered
- ___ Year W.E.B. Du Bois was born

Answers

- a. 1965
- b. Colin Powell
- c. Dr. Mae C. Jemison
- d. Condoleezza Rice
- e. Hiram Revels
- f. 1868
- g. Shirley Chisholm
- h. Clarence Thomas
- i. 1909
- j. Thurgood Marshall

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

YOUR PAGE

Dear Cass



Cassandra Peterson

Here's the place where you can anonymously divulge your most secret questions or even let the world know what you're wondering about.

You may be asking yourself ... who will be answering these questions and where do they come from?

Well that'd be me, and to be honest with you: I am not a doctor, I have no degree; I am a student just like you. Of course I do have a few handy professionals who are willing to help me out with this new adventure. I bet you are wondering what kind of questions to ask-

Anything ... shock us with relationship problems; bore us with your study needs; you can even ask advice on what to get your grandmother for her birthday!

Anything and everything, this is your column. Consider this made by students for students!

You can e-mail all questions to: cjpeter3@dmac.edu

Other side of the Courter

"What are your thoughts about the construction on campus?"



"I'm slightly annoyed with the disruption of class time; i.e., the noise, and the filth!"

- Melissa Magin
Boone Campus student



"I really feel it's OK, because these things need to be done ... I think pretty soon it's going to be really nice, but right now it isn't."

- Grace Mugo
Boone Campus student



"It's a very good reason for teachers to cancel class!"

- Jennifer Kruse
Boone Campus student

Horoscopes

By **Linda C. Black**
Tribune Media Services

Today's Birthday (02-23-05). An unusual assignment pays well, and helps you develop the skills that lead to the perfect career for you. Have faith, and take control.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is an 8 - A moment of perfect bliss is marred by a choice you have to make. Will it be caffeinated or decaf? Mocha or latte? You can do this.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - Once you get the deal settled, you'll have more time to relax. Don't do that before the check clears, however. There'll be last-minute complications.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is an 8 - While you're in the mood, learn how to be more practical. You can fix up your place yourself, and save a lot of money.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - It's good to get yourself a treat every once in a while, but don't spend so much that you have to take an extra job to pay for it. Not unless, of course, it's something you really want!

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - You'll have to focus more attention on work for a while. The more you do, the more you make, and that is a good plan.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - You'll be on a neatness rampage for the next couple of days. Be careful not to make a bigger mess than you had when you started.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 7 - The main way to get your creative Muse to show up is to tell a joke. Your sense of humor helps you find the answer to a tough question.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - Conditions are not easy for romance, but it does seem to be that you could get a job that pays more. Is a move required? Only go if you must.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - You're about to be held accountable for every little thing you've said or done in the past few weeks. Stand up for the truth, and you're fine.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 6 - Indulge in something to help you get more exercise while you're in your own home. You'll get a good deal, or maybe find it in your own attic or garage.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 7 - A brilliant insight propels you and your team in the right direction. You may not have had the original idea, but you're the one who makes it happen.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - Accept the applause for a job well done, and then learn to delegate. A chore you find extremely tedious will be fun for someone else.

Ben's Banter



Benjamin Bolluyt

The reign of apathy continues: zero reader submissions. Luckily, I am a creative writer. Also, I can cover subjects here that I haven't studied sufficiently to print in a responsible, "objective" column.

The plasma screen in the Courter Center is finally working, after months of blank silence. Apparently a miscommunication with the maintenance staff resulted in the Mediacom installation guy being kicked out on his keister in the fall. Oops.

But a new deal has been negoti-

ated with Dish Network, and the remote controls have been given to the librarians in accordance with everything right and holy. They guard our brains from infiltration by the likes of students who ask that it be turned to MTV. I wish I was making that up.

I must admit, though, a part of me is saddened by this new activity. It's the part of me that was looking forward to writing an April Fool's Day column entitled, "Plasma Screen Stolen; Nobody Notices."

That's the same part of me that's been writing--er, enjoying--the horoscopes in this paper for the past two issues. I haven't gotten comments about that either, but a couple of people I asked in person didn't seem to understand that they were satire.

Repeat: the horoscopes, until this issue, were a joke. If you want them back, you'll have to ask. This issue's horoscopes are as real as horoscopes can be.

Contrary to tradition thus far, I have a serious subject in mind as well; perhaps this will inspire some reader input.

While looking for quotes about the new TV connection, I met one student who's been in the armed services. First she said she liked the plasma screen, then that she felt it should be higher on the wall, more visible to people all over Courter.

She then recounted a time when she was grateful for an elevated screen in a public institution: 9/11. She recalled the day unfolding before her, and the shock of people watching close by, but said that her training had taught her that such events were inevitable.

She expressed relief that the attack had not been even worse, and certainty that only time separates us from another such event.

Though that day did spark major action elsewhere on the globe, most notably in Afghanistan and Iraq, a close look at our home-

land doesn't seem to reveal much change.

Security precautions on shipping companies and our borders are still dangerously lax in many places. Our everyday lives have been unaffected, unless anyone is still planning their day based on the "Terror Alert Level," the dubious reminder that something dangerous might be happening somewhere.

Here's my question: what if my acquaintance from the armed services is right? What if another attack, from another terrorist group determined to take a shot at the most powerful country in the world, is just around the corner?

What if a day comes to prove that 9/11 was merely the first strike in a war of ideology that requires random American civilians to make the ultimate sacrifice for capitalism, for democracy, and for freedom?

What then?

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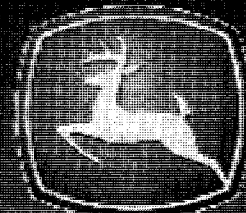


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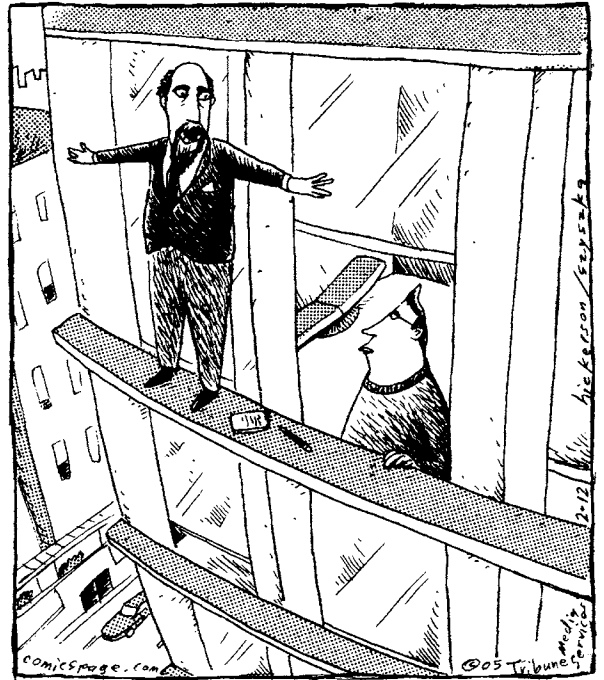


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A College Girl Named Joe

By Aaron Warner



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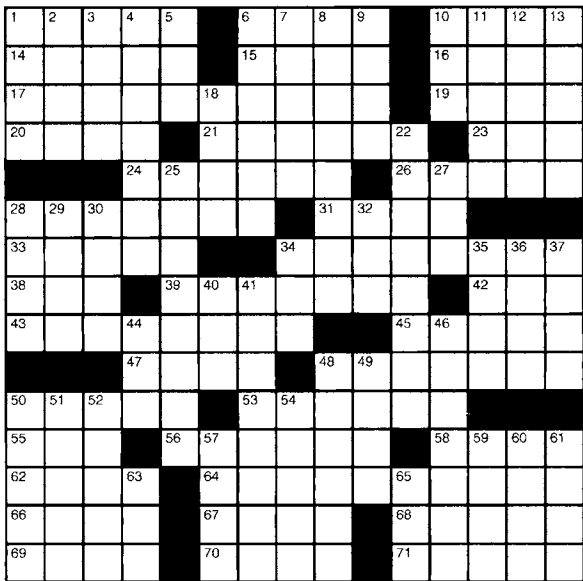
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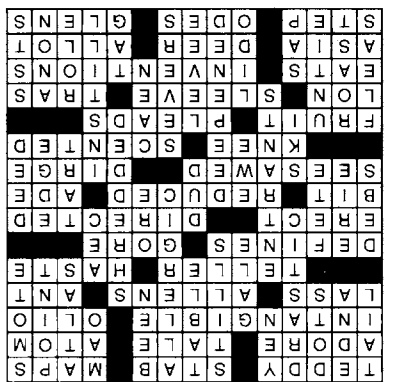
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 - Patella's place
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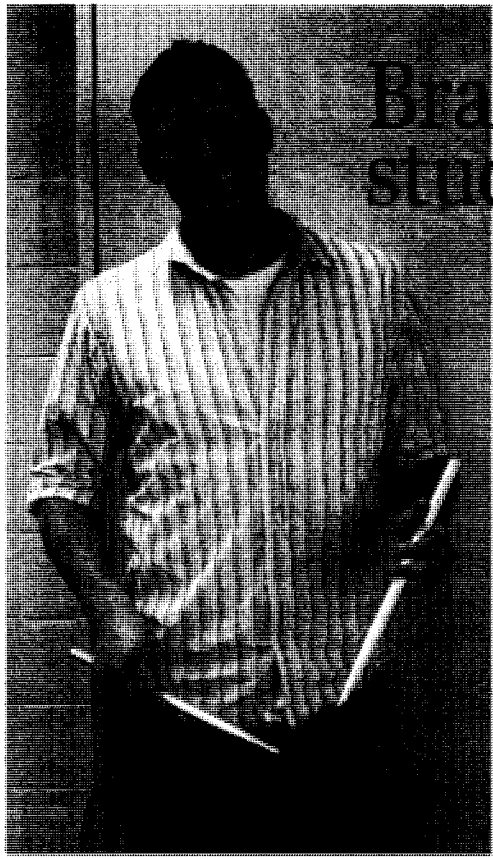
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You Are Here By Aaron Warner



It wasn't his trusty grappling-hook gun Batman grabbed on his way out this morning, but instead the garage door opener.

FEATURES



Brad Heber: student musician

currently enrolled at the DMACC Boone Campus.

Heber is a 20-year-old student on the Boone Campus, who has traveled all across the country in search for the best music school he can find. One school he has previously attended is the Berklee School of Music, out in Boston. Berklee is one of the more prestigious music schools, and luckily, Heber has gotten the opportunity to be apart of it. But is luck really the case? Or is Brad just an amazing musician who is already on his way?

He's dabbled in the guitar, plays percussion as well as piano, but his main priority, when it comes to music, is the drums. He has been practicing and honing his craft at the drums since he was in second grade and will continue in this path for as long as he can or just as long as he's still happy do-

ing what he's doing.

Seeing how Brad already has the Berklee School of Music under his belt, he has also attended the Musician's Institute in Los Angeles, where he will be enrolled as a student once again next fall.

Although attending prestigious music schools is impressive enough, the accomplishments don't stop there. Brad has worked in recording studios, recording music with the children of Slip Knot, a well known rock group that is popular among many, and has even been the drum tech for bands such as Robert Randolph & the Family Band as well as the Tyler Thompson band.

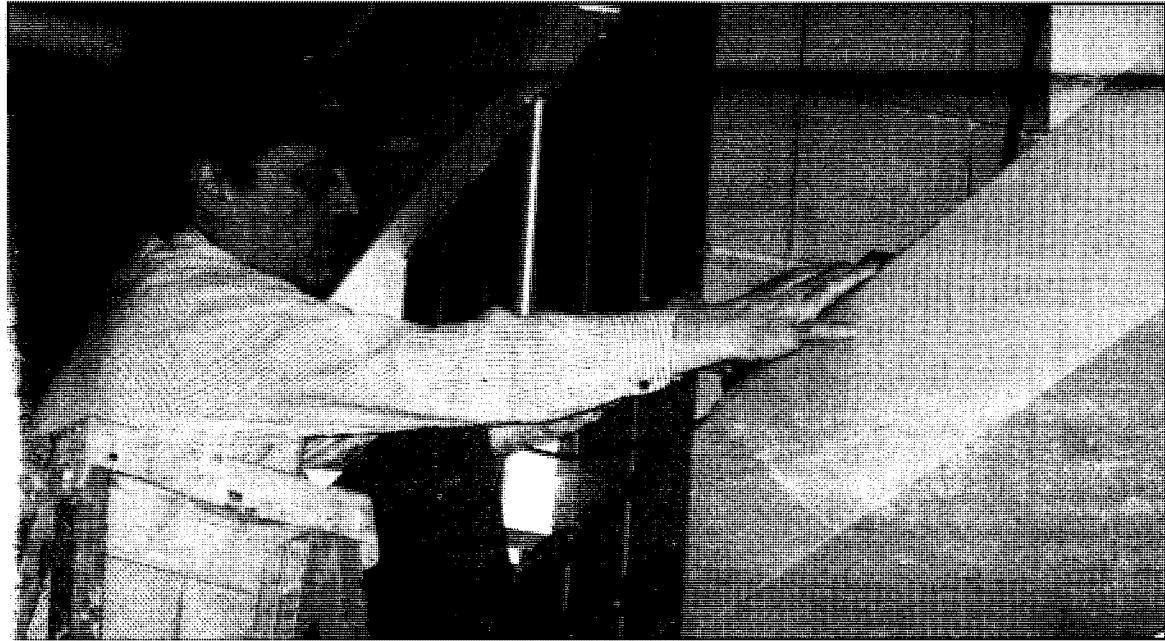
When it comes to Brad, music is his true calling and he will continue working towards his goals. He said "I know I will enjoy what I'm doing in life because I feel very fulfilled."

It's easy to see that young, fresh, and talented acts are all around us, such as Brad Heber, a DMACC student who, from the looks of it, is already on his way.

Heber

By Sarah Vasquez
Banner Staff Writer

Brad Heber is a bright, talented, and exceptional student who is



Area businessman, Larry Kelley of Larry Kelley Enterprises, hooks up the plasma television in the L.W. Courter Center to the rooftop satellite dish.

FACULTY FACTS

Cindy Martin sits down with the Banner



Martin

By Joanna Golembiewski
Banner Correspondent

DMACC chemistry instructor Cindy Martin has taught on the Boone Campus for the last 10 years.

Martin volunteers her time enriching the community around her.

Recently, Martin sat down with the Banner for our second edition of "Faculty Facts," allowing us to get to know this DMACC instructor a little better.

Listed below are the questions and her responses.

1. Where are you from originally?

"I grew up on an acreage between Ames and Boone and graduated from United Community High School."

2. What college did you graduate from?

"I received my BA from University of Northern Iowa, and my MS from University of Iowa."

3. What brings you to DMACC?

"The opportunity to be close to my extended family."

4. How long have you been teaching at DMACC?

"This is my tenth year."

5. What is the most difficult aspect of your job?

"Balancing all of the responsibilities, there never seems to be enough time to get everything done."

6. What is your favorite part?

"That moment when you know that a student 'gets it,' meeting such a variety of students with varied backgrounds and experiences, and oh yes, Friday morning donuts!"

7. What is one thing most students don't know about you?

"I am currently serving as President of the Board of Directors for Habitat for Humanity of Boone County."

8. Do you have any interesting hobbies?

"My favorite stress reliever is playing piano."

9. How do you spend your weekends?

"Doing things with my daughter, occasionally playing piano with the worship band at my church. When the weather is nice I enjoy going and doing hikes and always reading."

10. What is one thing you wish all students knew?

"How to spell 'neutron' correctly, the names of all the other students in their classes, and as I matured, I realized more and more the value of my education. I wish students were more aware of that at a younger age."

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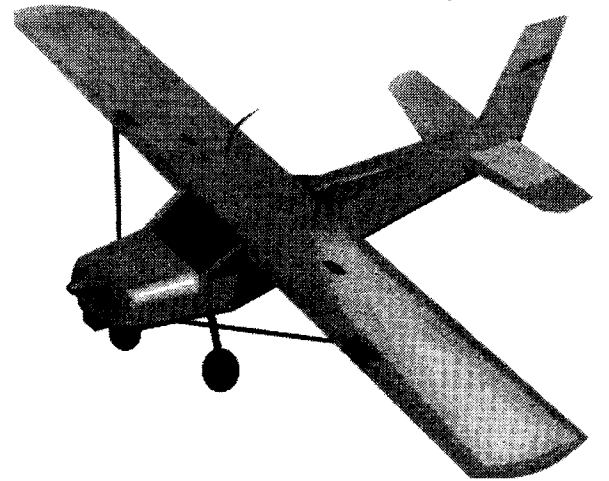
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ENTERTAINMENT

CD REVIEW

'Breakaway' shines

Clarkson comes into her own with sophomore effort



By Jenifer Schumacher
Banner Staff Writer

Kelly Clarkson has really come into her own with her second full-length album, as a song writer and vocalist. She puts off a great new vibe as she falls into alternative-rock.

Breakaway, Clarkson's sophomore album kicks off a great sounding record, with three rousing opening tracks.

The first track, which is also the title track, "Breakaway", is a feel-good song, giving hope to those

daring to dream. Avril Lavigne co-wrote this title track.

"Since You've Been Gone", track two appearing on the album, has an edgier, more punk sound, a side of Clarkson we have not yet seen. This track serves as an anthem to people everywhere who are 'so movin' on'.

The next track, "Behind These Hazel Eyes", almost portrays Clarkson pouring out her broken heart, yet 'hiding the tears cried'. Background drums and guitar give the track a feel of rock, taking away from the soda-pop sound.

Clarkson's album, *Breakaway*,

also hails several rock ballads, including "Because of You", "Addicted", "You Found Me", and "Hear Me".

A more familiar, softer, soulful ballad can be heard in the track, "Where is Your Heart", in which Clarkson's amazingly strong vocals and powerful sound shine through.

Songs like "Gone", "Walk Away", and "Since You've Been Gone" are packed full of girl power and featured on the album.

Tracks "Addicted" and "I Hate Myself for Losing You", have a more vulnerable sound than the other tracks on the CD.

Finally, Clarkson ties together the album with a live version of "Beautiful Disaster", portraying her raw talent within a ballad.

"Breakaway" and "Since You've Been Gone" have already hit the airwaves, making a splash on the charts.

I enjoy the way that Clarkson drops the pop princess gig to follow in the footsteps of Ashlee Simpson and Avril Lavigne in the direction of rock.

This time around, Clarkson's album has a more mature sound, with a large variety of beats, instrumentals, and vocals. This disc is a bit funkier, with bouncy beats and rockin' guitar.

This *American Idol* winner sings us through a rainbow of emotions on this girl-angst album, which makes it a must hear.

CONCERT REVIEWS

Machines upstaged by opening act

Autolux shines in lieu of hyped over-performance by Machines

By Andrew Austin
Banner Staff Writer

The worst thing for any headlining rock band is to be upstaged by the opening act.

Such was the case Feb. 8 in the Maintenance Shop in the Iowa State Memorial Union, where the Secret Machines performed.

The band, comprised of lead-singer Brandon Curtis, guitarist Ben Curtis, and drummer Josh Garza, have been flying just under the mainstream radar for a few months now, ever since their debut album *Now Here is Nowhere* garnered steep praise from the likes of *Rolling Stone*, who called the album the "best you didn't hear in 2004."

The Machines brought lights and sound, but neither coalesced into anything permeable or even substantive.

The heavy-handed drumming of Josh Garza created a juxtaposition to the more moody guitar chords of the Curtis', which, I suppose, could have been intended as a bit of musical irony. However,

mishandled and misused, it came across more as poor arrangement than anything else.

Like a hopeless blend *Physical Graffiti*-inspired Led Zeppelin and vintage Pink Floyd, the Machines were loud and offbeat, but ultimately unsatisfying.

However, the band's opening act, Autolux, played an impassioned, inspired set, and completely stole the show in Ames.

Channeling late Dream Theater, Autolux truly impressed with their blend of progressive concept rock, opening the evening with a short, sweet bang of enticing and intoxicating feedback-induced noise and silky smooth hard rock riffs.

Adorned in a kimono, drummer Carla Azar brought life and passion to the band's four-song opening set, spicing up the moody guitar musing of Greg Edwards and Eugene Goreshter.

The Machines may be the next big thing in rock music, but it was Autolux that made the show at the Maintenance Shop worth the price of admission.

Parallex impresses with night of rock

By Megan Shadle
Banner Staff

The Bali Satay House was filled with music and fun Friday night as Parallex took the stage with Envy Corps and Marcato.

Parallex, a local Ames band, was first on stage and sounded great, even through the full house of eager concert goes, itching to see them perform.

The concert was a very good one; better than had been expected. Parallex is definitely a cool band to check out at one of their live shows.

Parallex consists of five guys from around Iowa who came together because of their love of rock and making music. With all their talents put together they formed an excellent rock band.

Once you actually see them live, you will literally get the chills when they start playing their guitar ballads. Lead singer Rusty Anderson's voice is so unique and passionate that one has to love it.

For concert dates and more information about Parallex check out their Web site at <http://www.parallex.org>.

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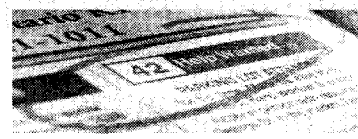
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Tammy Hartmann and Jessica Peel during a Feb. 18 rehearsal for "Don't Mention My Name"



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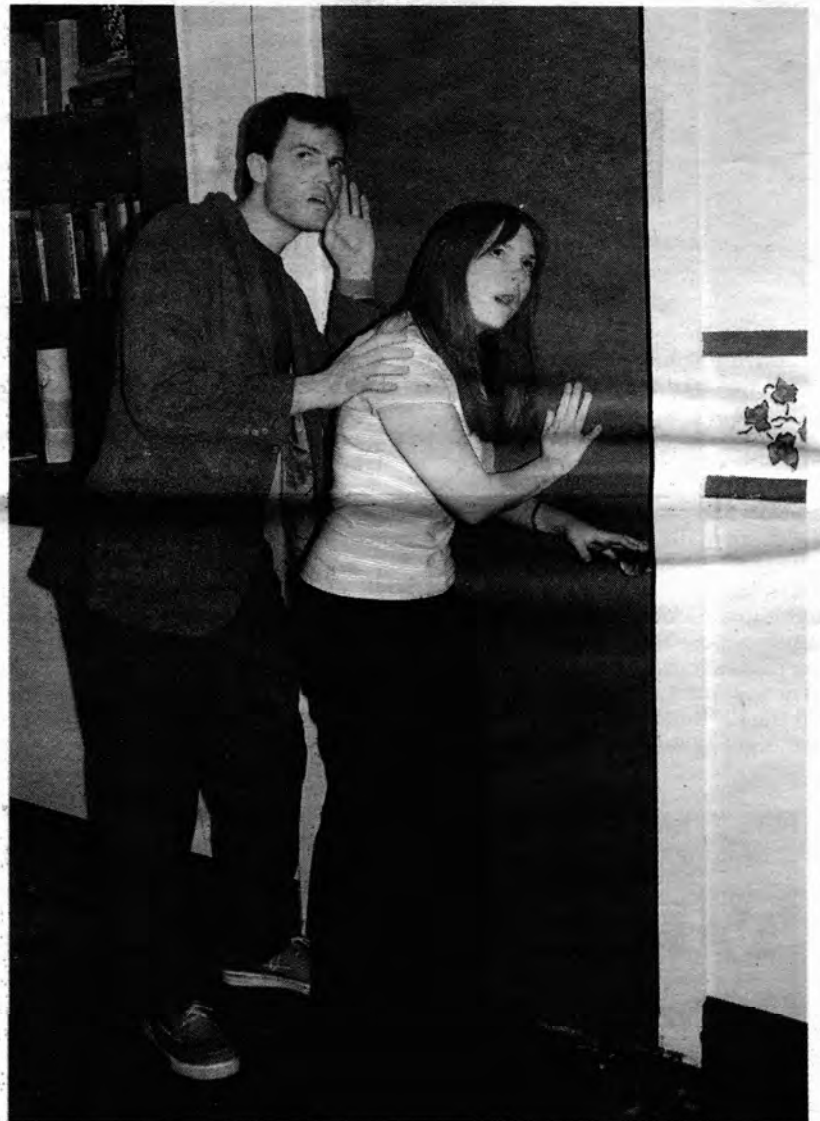
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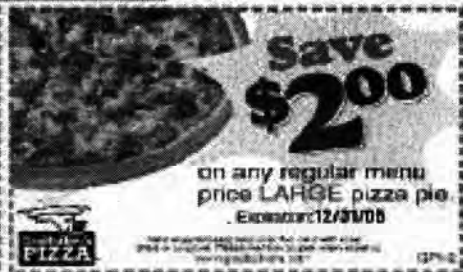


Nathan Edwards and Liz Bennett during a dress rehearsal for the March 4-5 drama production of "Don't Mention My Name."

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