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DMACC Boone Campus **BANNER**

Students enjoy Thanksgiving dinner

Lara Yungclas
Banner Staff

DMACC students and faculty got an early taste of Thanksgiving Mon. the 25 in the Courter Center.

SAC sponsored the feast, which included over 400 turkey sandwiches, stuffing, and coleslaw. It was a welcomed gift for the hungry students and faculty.

"I thought it was a nice gesture for them to make the food for us," said Tyler Ehlert. "I'm glad it was free."

There were little complaints about the lunch, most were glad to save a few bucks over their lunch break. When asked what she thought of the lunch, Natosha Kilmer said, "It was good, I wish they would do this more often."

Pies were also offered to students and faculty at the cost of \$1, over 30 were sold. The money that SAC raises through the pie sale will go to the Phi Theta Kappa food train. Lori De Jongh-Slight, SAC advisor, was very pleased with the turnout.



photo by Robbie Maass

Coach Lori Slight serves pie to hungry DMACC students and faculty.

For more Thanksgiving fun

The Yungclas sisters were kind enough to lend us their ultra-secret, ancestral family recipe for a heaping dish of rumbly-in-the-tumbly Thanksgiving fettuccine alfredo.

You will need:

- 1 lb. noodles (1 box)
- 3-4 cloves garlic
- 1 fat stick real butter
- 2 c. heavy whipping cream
- 1 handful shredded parmesan cheese (not canned)

What to do:

Cook noodles according to box. In separate pan, add finely chopped garlic and butter. Simmer until garlic is golden brown. Add whipping cream until it begins to bubble. Slowly add parmesan until melted. Add noodles, toss, let sauce thicken, and serve.

(Helpful Hint: Add chicken, broccoli, or mushrooms for added treats).

Bears earn sixth place in national tournament

Ryan Makovsky
Banner Staff

The DMACC volleyball team's storied season came to an end with a sixth place finish in the National Tournament at Toledo, Ohio.

The Bears won two of the five games they played in the tournament, with two of the three losses coming to the National Champion in Kishwaukee Community College (IL) and the runner-up in Schoolcraft (MI). Northwest Shoals CC, the other team who defeated the Bears, had a huge size advantage, which disrupted their game plan. "We've never seen height like they had," Coach Slight said. "Their whole front line was at least 6'3 across the board." In retrospect, the Bears have one player who is 6'0 in Alex Blenche.

DMACC had no trouble disposing of their first opponent, Moraine Valley Community College (IL) in their first game of the tournament 30-12, 30-23,



photo by Dick Kelly

Iulia Porembescu gets a kill in Toledo.

30-17. "We were a little anxious in our first game, we had a week and a half off leading up to the game, we were on the road for twelve hours...we were more excited than nervous going into the game." The Bears next opponent proved to be a tougher task, mainly because of their height advantage.

Northwest Shoals Community College (AL) proved to be too much, as their height advantage gave them the slight edge in their close victory over the Bears. "Size wise, we just couldn't match up," Coach Slight said.

After losing their next match to Kishwaukee CC (IL), the Bears were able to get back on track with a victory over Longview Community College (MO) 30-21, 36-34, 30-24. The win set up a pivotal match with Schoolcraft (MI).

Against Schoolcraft, DMACC saw a lot of similarities with Kishwaukee, and were once again at a height disadvantage along the frontline. "defen-

sively, what we saw out of them was unbelievable," Coach Slight also added that their staunch defensive also countered the strengths of the Bears. "Where we usually get 15-20 kills in a match, we had five," Coach Slight also added the defensive skills displayed by Schoolcraft were exceptional. "They just ball handled much better than we did, I definitely did not expect it to be that strong." In the end, the Bears lost in a nail-biter 21-30, 31-29, 27-30. The loss prevented them from advancing further in the tournament, ending their season with a remarkable 49-10 record, unprecedented success in their four year existence.

Iulia Porembescu received all-tournament honors, capping a tremendous individual season. With her returning to next year's squad, the Bears can hope to reload and be back in contention for another national tournament run.

CAMPUS NEWS

PBL President 'Stands on the shoulders of giants'

Jenn Yungclas
Banner Staff

As Shannon Egli walked down the hallways of Boone campus, he noticed signs hanging on the walls that said Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) was looking for members.

Looking to become part of an organization and get involved, Egli said "As a former hiring agent, I was more impressed by someone that carried a 3.5 G.P.A. while being active in clubs or organizations than someone that had a 4.0 with no practical experience. The additional challenges and obstacles build character and skills that are valuable to companies and add sparkle to a resume." Egli joined PBL and is currently the president of the Boone chapter.

Egli, a native of Peoria, Ill., had worked as a district manager of an international marketing company for six years before coming to Boone. After completing his AA degree here, he plans to major in premed at Iowa or Iowa State.

Being a part of PBL, a business organization that teaches interpersonal skills, time management and financial management, Egli feels it is beneficial not only to himself, but to anyone. "I am not a busi-



Shannon Egli

ness major, but the skills we learn with PBL parallel with life in so many ways whether you are managing a corporation, a cash register, or a household," Egli said, "This is one of the most versatile organizations on any college campus."

When asked what best described himself, he responded with a quote from Sir Isaac Newton. "I can see further than others because I stand on the shoulders of giants." He followed up by saying, "I love to learn from people I am associated with. We all have different skills to offer. I am a knowledge sponge and every time I meet someone new, I walk away more enlightened. I try to make the feeling mutual."

Egli's experiences through PBL include traveling; one in particular, was a trip to Denver, Colorado on Nov. 15 and 16 for a PBL National Conference, where he was able to meet people from all over the country. He said that being a part of PBL gives him an opportunity to learn from everyone.

There are no prerequisites to be a part of PBL. The organization is open to anyone wanting to learn skills that can be used in any profession and in everyday life. If anyone is interested or has any questions about PBL, contact adviser Linda Plueger at ext. 5080.

DMACC organizations prepare for holidays

Darin Longman
Banner Staff

The holiday season is upon us, and some DMACC organizations have teamed up to make the holidays a special time for all.

Rotorac and Pi Theta Kappa have pooled their collective efforts in order to bring about the holiday gift drive. Boxes will be located beside each stairwell to drop off a new or gently used toy, book or article of clothing. Jane Martino, one of the coordinators, had this to say about the Holiday Gift Drive,

"Families here are undertaking a college education at great expense so there aren't many financial resources left over for the holidays. We think the parents that are giving so much for their college education need to be supported for the holiday. Therefore, we want to see that all the children of DMACC students have holiday gifts."

All DMACC students who wish to have their child included as a recipient for the gift list should contact Maggie Stone, ext. 5037. People who have questions about toy dona-

tions can contact Jane Martino, ext. 5068.

In addition to the Holiday gift drive there will also be a Food Train. The Food Train was coordinated with Fareway and will run throughout the month of Dec. The train will involve a growing number of boxes in which the food items will be placed. The food collected will first serve DMACC students. Excess food that cannot be stored will be donated to a local food pantry in Boone. In addition, food will be placed in a pantry for DMACC students who do not have enough to eat.

Susan Smith, one of the coordinators for the DMACC Pantry said, "Even today there are students who come to class hungry. They don't eat so their children can eat. They can receive food, no questions asked."

Any groups or organizations that want to help with the food train or the pantry can be contacted through e-mail at susan.smith@ptk.org

Final Exam Schedule

Thursday, December 12, 2002	Tuesday/Thursday courses
Class Time Range	Exam Time
8:05 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	8:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
11:15 a.m. – 12:40 p.m.	10:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
2:25 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.	1:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
Friday, December 13, 2002	Monday/Wednesday/Friday or more courses
Class Time Range	Exam Time
8:00 a.m. – 8:55 a.m.	8:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
10:10 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.	10:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.
12:20 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	1:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
2:30 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.	3:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
Monday, December 16, 2002	Monday/Wednesday/Friday or more courses
Class Time Range	Exam Time
6:55 a.m. – 7:50 a.m.	7:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.
9:05 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	9:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
11:15 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.	12:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.
1:25 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	2:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
3:35 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	3:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
Tuesday, December 17, 2002	Tuesday/Thursday courses
Class Time Range	Exam Time
6:30 a.m. – 7:55 a.m.	6:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.
9:40 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.	9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
12:50 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	11:30 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Evening/Saturday

Evening courses will have their finals at the day and time of the final regular class meeting.

Last Monday night classes (Final Exam)	December 16
Last Tuesday night classes (Final Exam)	December 10
Last Wednesday night classes (Final Exam)	December 11
Last Thursday night classes (Final Exam)	December 12
Last Monday/Wednesday night classes (Final Exam)	December 16
Last Tuesday/Thursday night classes (Final Exam)	December 12
Last Saturday class (Final Exam)	December 14



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Thanksgiving with Vince Lombardi

Patrick Valdez
Banner Staff

Many of us spend holidays alone. Maybe we are far away from home because of school or work, and we're not able to be home with our families. For two years I was a long haul truck driver, and being apart from my family and friends became part of my life. But one particular Thanksgiving, the Thanksgiving of 1999 sticks in my mind most of all, thanks to Vince Lombardi.

And when I say Vince Lombardi, I don't mean the Hall of Fame Green Bay Packers coach. Having a Thanksgiving dinner with him would be impossible, considering he died in 1970. No, the Vince Lombardi I'm referring to is a place. The Vince Lombardi Service Area to be exact, which is on the New Jersey Turnpike, is just a hop, skip and a jump away from the George Washington Bridge, upper Manhattan and the Bronx.

The company I worked for hauled a lot of meat, a great majority of which was IBP. Much of that processed meat went

into New York City. I was a "veteran" of New York deliveries by the fall of 1999, having delivered to every borough, from Brooklyn to the Bronx; Manhattan to Queens; Staten Island to Long Island. Broadway, the road made famous in film and song, is actually a designated truck route.

This particular pre-Thanksgiving New York run was like any other. I picked up a load of pork at the Waterloo IBP plant. Everything was ahead of schedule, and I predicted that if I got unloaded in time, I might be able to spend Thanksgiving at the Texaco truck stop in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, a famous hangout for drivers of the company I worked for. Aside from that, they were planning on serving turkey with all the fixings on Thanksgiving for drivers, and I am a turkey fanatic!

I got to my first stop on time, one of three, in the Hunts Point CO-OP meat market in the south Bronx. This is a large complex where many of the wholesale meat distributors store their meat. That way, large 18 wheelers don't have to

meander through the city streets as much, although we did have a few customers in the most ungodly locations within the city.

However, when I opened the trailer doors, I knew I was in for a problem. Several vats of meat had spilled onto the floor of the trailer. This required a conference call with my company and IBP to decide what to do with the meat. Calling back and forth took almost four hours before they got the buyer to agree to buy the meat so it could be re-sold for pet food production. By the time I got unloaded at the first stop, it was into the evening and my other stops had left early because the next day was Thanksgiving, and nobody would be there to unload me until after the holiday.

I called my company for instructions. The IBP rep wanted me to ride out the holiday at the Hunts Point market. No food and facilities would be available during the holiday, so I said that was out of the question. They wouldn't let me head to Pennsylvania, they didn't want the meat to be that far away from the customer, so I

had one other choice, the Vince Lombardi Service Area.

I made my way back across the Hudson River and parked my truck among the hundreds of others who were just as stuck as me. I even met a few fellow drivers from my company who were stuck there over the holidays too.

Over the next two days, I celebrated Thanksgiving with overpriced fried chicken from the Roy Rogers Restaurant (which, I am now told, has been converted to a Burger King) because the Bobs Big Boy was closed for the holidays.

Well, it was a miserable two days stuck in my truck sitting idle at the Vince Lombardi Service Area. I probably watched my entire library of movies and taped episodes of the Simpsons and Seinfeld, twice! IBP didn't charge for the damage since the trailer was picked up preloaded with an IBP cargo seal on the trailer doors. When I got to my last two stops, I got chewed out for being late. It was an all around terrible Holiday that sticks out in my mind as the worst, loneliest Thanksgiving I ever experience.

New literature class available this spring

Kristen Sampson
Banner Staff

Students with a passion for reading can look forward to Contemporary Literature, which is a new class being offered for the first time on the Boone



Jerrine McCaffrey

Campus this spring. Jerrine McCaffrey, English instructor at the DMACC Boone Campus, looks forward to teaching it because she just loves literature. When McCaffrey received

her Ph.D. degree from the University of Nebraska, her main areas of concentration included 20th Century American and Canadian literature, Plains literature, and 19th Century British literature.

McCaffrey said, "Literature mirrors life."

The class will discuss six modern novels, which all deal with several social, personal and ethical issues. It will also be structured around discussion, lecture, journal writing, and a great deal of profound thinking. "It's so much better to discuss a novel in a group because many ideas flow vigorously and insightfully," said McCaffrey. She also thinks that people become more aware of their surroundings and gain compassion for others when reading.

The six well-known novels that will be the focus for the class are: "Kindred," by Octavia Butler; "Winter in the Blood," by James Welch; "All the Pretty Horses," by Cormac McCarthy; "White Oleander,"

by Janet Finch; "Horse Whisperer," by Nicholas Evans; and "One True Thing," by Anna Quinlenn.

Since most of these books were made

**"Literature
mirrors life,"
said McCaffrey**

into movies, it should be quite interesting

for students to read the novels and get all the details that might have been missed.

Students who take the class can either purchase the books or check them out from a library.

LITR: 125 will meet on Wednesdays from 3-6 p.m., for \$55 per credit hour, a reduced tuition since it's an afternoon class. Students will receive three credits for the class, and will get two breaks during the three-hour class.

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The state of Iowa's airwaves

Adam Sisson
Banner Staff

Iowa's air is polluted. I'm not talking about pesticides and ozone-eating emissions, I'm referring to the invisible waves running through our atmosphere and picked up by our radios. These pollutants are then transformed into sound which the ear unfortunately picks up.

First on my list of air-wave abusers is Star 102.5. Not many of my friends listen to this station and there is a good reason. No Doubts' new single, "Underneath It All," was completely torn apart before "The Star" would play it. After the second chorus, the guest rapper's vocals were removed, leaving a gaping hole of drums and bass. Next, the guitar was turned down during most of the mix, and the vocals turned up.

This version of the song fits with Star's anti-rap policy, but completely destroys the song's original feel. This was probably done to capitalize on the song's mass appeal in order to generate money for the station, but it ruins the artist's composition.

Next up is KCCQ 105.1. "New music station" announces the 105.1's jingle. This is anything but true. The DJs over at 105.1 seem to be obsessed with playing only two types of music, and both types aren't anything "new" at all.

The first type of offending music was Creed. Creed was good when they first came out several years ago, but copycats such as Nickelback, Lifehouse, Three Doors Down, and Default took their sound and watered it down.

This style was overdone years ago, but still the DJs at 105.1 insist on overplay-

ing these sound-a-likes and will probably continue to do so until another annoying style emerges.

The second offense of 105.1 lies in the two-chord, rap-metal that is given nearly equal play as the Creed clones. How many times can the public stand to hear another song where Fred Durst screams about how everyone hates him, or listen to Disturbed rant about their hatred for practically everyone. If this station persists in playing this music, they could at least introduce some new bands to the mix.

KISS 107.5 is no better than the others. They overplay songs more than any other station. This is made evident as I heard "Like I Love You" by Justin Timberlake three times in an hour and a half. This station also enjoys picking up songs which have been overplayed on other stations. Once they realize the masses like a song, they incorporate it into their playlist, but

not before it has already been destroyed on the other stations.

It would make myself and many others happy if local radio stations would at least try and be original once in a while. There is a vast amount of music out there just awaiting to be played. Bands such as Blindside, Finch, Jurassic 5, Nickel Creek, The Get Up Kids, and Josh Groban. These bands, representing a wide variety of tastes are all worthy of playtime, yet rarely are played on stations in central Iowa.

Another thing local stations look over is the large amount of local music at hand. I rarely ever hear anything about local performances, and have yet to hear hometown music grace the airwaves.

It's too bad that there are few other stations to choose from here in Mid-Iowa.

Matchbox Twenty delivers with new CD

Darin Longman
Banner Staff

Rob Thomas and the boys from Matchbox Twenty have done it again. With their third album *More Than You Think You Are*, Thomas and the gang tap an alt-rock vein and let it flow.

The album's first track is a little edgier than what is a typical Matchbox Twenty song. "Feel" is a song that helps the band drop the pop rock moniker that has been the band's stigma ever since becoming VH1 darlings. The song just plain rocks and is an opening song that is a departure from soft/pop/rock openers on the last two albums.

The band shows signs of growth, and their newest single, "Disease," is quite

the departure from the slower first single formula that the band had previously opted for. The Florida five-piece is still familiar with crafting the slower tunes. With "Bright Lights," a slow piano sets the tone but then erupts into a pop rock masterpiece.

The stand out track on the whole album is a song called "Unwell." Thomas truly shows that in the land of song lyrics he is king. The singer croons, "I'm not crazy, I'm just a little unwell, I know right now you can't tell." The album begins to drag on with the last two songs, but overall a great CD, one that only gets better with every listen. I strongly suggest picking up *More Than You Think You Are*. Matchbox Twenty receives 6 out of 10 stars for their new release.

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Potter magical once again

Jennie Yates
Banner Staff

'Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets' is often thought of as the worst of the Harry Potter series, but the movie shines just as bright as the first movie did.

Humor is one of the movie's major charms. Gilderoy Lockheart (Kenneth Branagh) is so obsessed with constantly being the center of attention, I couldn't help but laugh almost every time he spoke. Lockheart's quote, "Can everybody hear me? Can everybody see me? Good," is a great example of this. Add Lockheart's self obsession with the comic relief of Harry Potter's (Daniel Radcliffe) best friend, Ron

Weasley (Rupert Grint) and you have a movie full of laughs.

The special effects, though they were great in the first one, were amaz-



photo courtesy of movies.com

Harry Potter and Ron Weasley prepare to do battle in "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets"

ing in this movie. The first experience the audience has the special effects is with a house elf named Dobby, voiced by Toby

Jones. He's a wonderfully animated little character that moves so realistically that sometimes he even seems real.

The next big experience is with Quidditch, a wizard sport played on broomsticks. The characters look even less animated than they did in the first movie, but less of an emphasis is placed on it. While

Potter is chasing Draco Malfoy (Tom Felton) and the snitch, a little gold ball used in Quidditch, the audience is shown a

masterful use of computer-generated graphics.

The actors are still mainly children but their abilities have increased greatly. Also the adult actors had amazing repeated performances.

The movie starts out quite innocently with Dobby the house elf appearing in Potter's room, to warn him about returning to Hogwarts. Dobby tells him that terrible things will happen when he returns. When Potter returns to Hogwarts, students begin to get petrified and talk about the Heir of Slytherin and Potter's connection to the heir begin.

My recommendation is to read the book first, because even though this is a wonderful movie, it is no substitute for the book.

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November 26

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Sunset Boulevard
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December 3

Austin Powers in
Goldmember
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Playstation 2: Tony Hawk Pro Skater 4

Chris Barrett
Banner Staff

This week's game is Tony Hawk Pro Skater 4 for the Playstation 2.

THPS4 is the latest installment in the Tony Hawk series and keeps the same tried and true gameplay intact.

So if I've played one I've played them all right? Not so fast. The fourth installment provides plenty of innovations for the video skateboarder in you.

The controls are exactly the same in this edition but with some added moves. The addition of flatland tricks is the biggest change. While still using the revert and the manual, flatland tricks make it possible to string even more tricks together for an insane combo.

Along with the flatland moves is the addition of "skitchin". "Skitchin" is hold-

ing onto the bumper of a moving car to gain speed. This can also be used to string together a longer combo. If your skaters running out of speed and there is a car nearby grab a hold and keep the combo alive.

Arguably the best new addition to the series is the online play. You can now go online with the help of your trusty broadband adapter to show your shredding abilities to anyone, anywhere, anytime. Unfortunately I do not have the adapter so I missed out in that part of the game.

So with the addition of the new moves there were little changes elsewhere in the game. There are all the things you would expect if you have played any of the last three.

There is a healthy line-up of pro skateboarders at your disposal like: Tony Hawk, Bob Burnquist and even the jackass him-

self Bam Margera. If you don't want to use any of the pros there is the trusty create-a-skater mode so you can attempt to create yourself or just a wacky character.

There is the create-a-park mode that lets you create your own skate heaven from the ground up.

But the one thing that surprised me was the career mode. This is basically the same as before but you actually interact with the computer people in the environment. Your skating along and you see a drunken bum walking down a sidewalk. You can go talk to the bum to get your objective to complete. Whether it is collecting the pink elephants that haunt the bum, or beating a high score.

My biggest complaint about the game, as a whole, is the speed. Everything happens very fast. If you do not have quick fingers and a plan, you will find yourself

fumbling about quite often. This makes the game very frustrating, I found myself wanting to smash my controller into little pieces because I couldn't hit my buttons quick enough. There are other minor annoyances as well, like the screen uncontrollably shaking when something explodes making it near impossible to hold onto your combo.

Tony Hawk Pro Skater 4 is a good game and I had fun playing it, but I am not sure that I would purchase this game. While the innovations are nice I think Tony is only worth a rental this time around. Maybe the online play would have changed my mind.

Gameplay: 7

Sound: 6

Graphics: 6

Overall: 6.5

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The way I see it

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A month or so ago I found myself reading a movie review for "Sweet Home Alabama" by Roger Ebert. Usually I take no stock in anything he has to say, but this review stood out; not for how he reviewed the movie, but for something he said.

Ebert believed that the notion of a small town being better than big cities or towns is a joke. That most everyone would rather flock to a big city than stay out in a small country town. I remember being offended when I read that, being I come from a small town. The town would be lucky if it cracked the 200 population mark. The biggest business in town is a farm store. Well, it's about the only business in town not including the one pop machine.

There's not much there, but I love my small town, and there's no where I'd rather be. I know Ames isn't a metropolis, but in comparison, it's big, and from time to time something reminds me that its not the same.

I walked into a gas station that's just down the street from my house in Ames the other day. I usually stop at this "convenience" store once a day to buy some pop, beer, or whatever it is I want to be overcharged for from day to day. Where they get the nerve to call themselves a convenience is beyond me, but that's neither here nor there.

Along with my soda, I wanted to get some quarters for laundry. I politely asked to have one of my dollars change to be given to me in quarters, not an over the top demand. "We don't sell quarters here," replied the wickedly unattractive lady behind the counter. As a side note, I know the attractiveness of someone shouldn't be important, believe me I know this, check out the mug shot up there. But when one is rude and ugly, it's hard to let slide, because let's be honest, you can't get through life being both.

Shocked and amazed, I stood silent for a second. "No, you see, I'm looking to trade my dollar here for four quarters, which is also a dollar just in a different form." I wonder if she caught my sarcasm?

"No, we don't SELL quarters here." Wow she didn't catch it.

"Ok, I do realize that you can't sell currency, but I'm just looking for a trade." She looked at me dumbfounded. I wasn't getting anywhere. So I politely rolled my soda back across the counter, asked for my money back, and told her that I would take my business elsewhere from now on. She didn't seem to care that I was a daily customer, she didn't care that she was losing business, she was just happy as hell she saved those four damn quarters.

As I walked out, I saw a little sign on the door saying "We'd rather serve one customer 1,000 times than 1,000 customers one time." I had to laugh under my breath as I walked out.

"Yeah, only if they don't want to buy some quarters right?" Big towns are better, my ass.

Hey, this is just the way I see it, I could be wrong, but not likely.

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Eyes wide shut: Boone campus housing woes

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As I walked through an apartment at Borgen Square, I could never imagine having anything to complain about. Yet, everyday I hear DMACC students saying negative things about the student housing.

Last year, when the apartments opened, the list of problems was endless. Holes in the drywall, cracked and peeling tiles and appliances that had not yet been hooked up, were some of numerous complaints. Now, under the management of Professional Property Management (PPM), the construction and mechanical problems have been fixed.

"There are so many positives to Borgen Square," said Karen Popelka of PPM. "We're always looking for ways to make it better."

This student housing system is one of the best I have ever seen. The students living there have no reason to complain, and I know from personal experience. I have lived in university-run dorms, and I have had to tolerate the not-so-perfect living conditions. Unlike the Borgen Square residents, normal dorm residents have to deal with the lack of personal space. In the places where I have lived, there were no lockable bedrooms, the bathrooms were shared with 30 plus students, and the kitchen usually consisted of a mini fridge and a microwave. Dorm residents don't have access to a free washer and dryer, we used the ones run by quarters.

Teresa McCane
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Dear Ms. T.,

I have a roommate; the problem is that she is messy! She doesn't pick up after herself at all. I get embarrassed when friends come over because she is such a slob! I like her, but I am tired of picking up after her. Signed, Fed Up

Dear Fed Up,

I feel you! You need to tell her straight up "I'm not the maid!" She is not a child. Tell her you're ashamed to have people over and let her know how frustrated you are. She needs to know it's affecting your friendship and perhaps that will be enough to make her change her ways. Signed, Ms. T.

Convenience is one word I can use to describe Borgen Square.

One major concern that I have often heard this year is the roommate situation. Once again, Borgen Square residents have it good. Everyone will have issues with room-

mates; it's a fact of life. What I've found is that respect for each other and respect for the property is the best way to alleviate problems. Students also have complained about the freedom that they claim not to have. Yes, there are rules, as there are in any living situation. Many students don't realize, however, that these are not only rules in the lease, but they are the law. For example, the lease states that alcohol is not allowed, well, alcohol is not allowed anywhere if you are underage.

PPM wants to make Borgen Square a good "first experience from home." But, the residents are in control. Students are expected to pay their rent and utilities on time as well as keep the apartment complex clean. Residents need to know



photo by Lara Yungclas

The apartments at Borgen Square have a comfortable home atmosphere.

that the consequences they face for not paying bills will follow them, like credit. But, PPM is looking to make this living situation better in any way possible. The options of payment may be changing in the future. Residents may chose to pay by month or semester, as well as changing lease agreements from year to semester. "We don't want them to feel stuck," said Popelka.

PPM hopes to maintain the apartments at the highest level with a pleasant atmosphere. If there are people abusing the property, report it. If there is trash in the hall, pick it up. If the roommates are getting a little suffocating, ask them to back off. Students: its time to learn how to live in the real world.

Ask Ms. T.

heart, now! Good Luck. Signed, Ms. T.

Dear Ms. T.,

I have been dating this guy for about two years. He keeps pressuring me to have sex with him, but I'm a virgin. I'm afraid that if I don't soon, he will break up with me. Please help! Signed, Ms. Virginity

Dear Ms. Virginity,

I must commend you for still being a virgin, you should be proud. Your boyfriend must really care about you. Your first time should be with someone special. I can't say he's pressuring you because it's been two years! He's probably wondering how long he has to wait, or what he has to do to win your heart. Are you waiting for marriage? You need to decide what this man means to you and where your

Dear Ms. T.,

My good friend has a drinking problem. It is affecting his grades, he doesn't even come to school anymore. What should I do? Signed, Good Friend

Dear Good Friend,

If you didn't care, you wouldn't have written. He's lucky to have a friend like you. Part of being a friend is to be supportive and honest. You need to sit him down and let him know you care and are concerned for his well-being. It sounds as though he may have a serious problem. There's things like alcohol poisoning and not to mention accidents related to driving while drunk. Sit him down and have a heart to

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Men's squad dominates Graceland JV

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For the DMACC Men's basketball; so far so good. With nearly a brand new lineup for the season, the men's squad is off to a fantastic start.

In the Indian Hills Classic tournament the weekend of the 15 and 16, the Bears' men split their record with one loss to Kennedy King 66-59, and a win over Blackhawk 69-51. That brought their overall record to 4-2. When asked about how the team was doing so far this season, given the Indian Hills Classic, Coach Salmon said, "Our basketball is nowhere near what we want, but we are improving."

This past Wednesday, DMAAC's overpowering win over Graceland College, 86-55, had its fair share of improvements. Tim Stoops dominated under the boards with a total of 16 points and seven rebounds.

Ian Young, the returning starter, had 17 points to brag about, as well as four assists; one assist going to the high-flying power forward Sean Williams. Before the audience realized, Young and Williams

were on a break-away down the court, Young had lobbed the ball in the air, and perfectly timing it Williams dunked the ball and really got the crowd roaring. "After the ali-oop dunk, I felt unstoppable," said Williams.

About the team, Williams went on to say, "We have good team chemistry, and that's why we play good together. In the beginning of the season, we didn't have good chemistry and it was tough at first. But now we get along."



Freshman guard Steve Clayton scores an easy two in the win against Graceland.

After the win over Graceland, Coach Salmon said, "We needed a game like that to bounce back. We've got three difficult games in a row, and we're looking to continue improving." From the looks of it, nothing seems to be slowing down the game-play of these DMACC men.

For some player/team statistics, here are some of the highlights: Young averaging 18.9 points a game; Dominique Leake with 10.9; Stoops with an average of 9.3. Both Young and Charles Boyd are top in averaging 4.6 assists per game. The big man down low, Stoops is averaging an impressive 8.9 rebounds a game.

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Things aren't always as they seem

University of Connecticut: 37, Iowa State: 20. This was not the halftime score of a men's college basketball game, it was a college football final score of the last regular season game, at home, on senior day. Unbelievable...

Just how invincible is Michael Jordan? In an age where the majority of athletes live the lifestyle of a rockstar, Jordan has rose above the common perception to maintain a relatively squeaky-clean reputation with the media and sports fans worldwide. The allegations recently made by Karla Knafel, however, could be a major blow towards the credibility of professional athletes in any sport.

His icon status has elevated him as the standard for young athletes everywhere. The way he's carried himself as a person and as an athlete has spoiled fans everywhere. As he now faces a five million dollar lawsuit for attempting to bribe Knafel into secrecy about their supposed affair, his identity is slowly deteriorating. Unlike other bumps in the road Jordan has been able to steer clear from in the past, this bump may be too wide to avoid. On top of the claims Knafel has presented, a baby was also conceived. The irony of it all is that Jordan and his current wife, Juanita, have been having marital problems of late, which bears the question of just how deep could this case go...

In college basketball, one has to be impressed with how good Alabama has looked thus far in the season. The inside-outside combination of Erwin Dudley and Maurice (Mo) Williams has been dynamic. Williams, a sterling passer, has shown his scoring ability early in the year by showing up Oklahoma's Hollis Price, outscoring the All-America candidate 25-19 in their meeting earlier this month...

Former DMACC basketball player Jamaal Jackson has had an immediate impact at Siena in Loudinville, New York. Jackson recorded two points, seven rebounds, and a team high six assists for Siena in their victory over Albany, 79-75. Jackson is expected to fill the void at point guard, and team up with all conference guard Prosper Karawanga, to form a formidable backcourt. In "The Sporting News College Basketball Preview," it predicts Jackson "should get the bulk of the minutes at point guard..." Evidence supporting this conclusion is his thirty-three minutes played in the game against Albany. Players like Jackson prove just how good of a job Coach Salmon is doing in bringing the talent to field contending teams for the years to come.

DMACC women win two in a row

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The DMACC women's basketball team took to the road Monday, Nov. 18 to face off with William Penn in Oskaloosa.

The Bears made the plays needed and even led the whole game, but could never come up with the run to put away WP, and squeaked by with a 46-41 victory. Although the team didn't shoot well from the floor, they did out rebound WP by 24, the majority of them being offensive boards.



Freshman point guard
April Love

Trista Kolder stepped up in the game knocking down 17 points. Bears women's coach, Ben Conrad said "Kolder really

took over in the game, scoring 17 points, and played well over all in the game."

The Bears played again on Tuesday Nov. 19 against Mt. St. Clare in Boone, a team they had already lost to earlier in the season.

For the first time this season, the Bears finally got shots to fall and came away with a decisive 65-44 victory. April Love

"Love was incredible, she really set the tempo, pushed the ball up the floor, and really came on for us."

-Coach Conrad

sparked the team from the point, scoring eight points and hauling in 12 boards. Conrad was impressed with her growth in the last two weeks and hopes to have found a leader for his young team, "Love was incredible, she really set the tempo, pushed the ball up the floor, and really came on for us."

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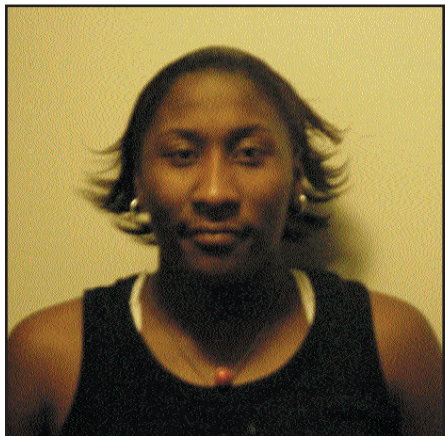
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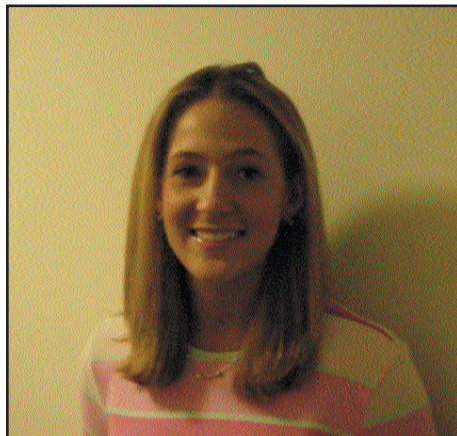
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“What do you like or dislike about living in Borgen Square Apartments?”



Angela Bourrage

“I dislike the thin, thin, thin walls.”



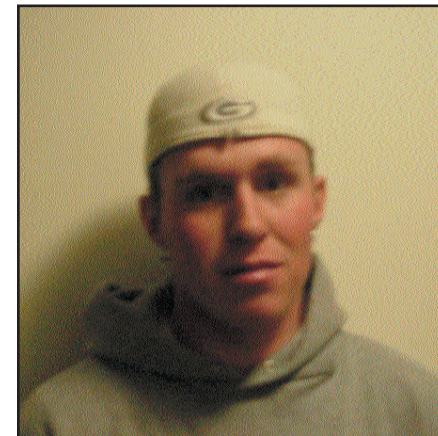
Kristen Meyer

“I like the people and like living with three other people.”



Ben Deck

“I like the convenience, but I don’t like the watching eye.”



Jeremy Thompson

“I like the convenience.”

Horoscopes by Pam

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your finances are about to improve, so reassure anyone you have borrowed money from that repayment is coming soon. Romance: Fair | Finance: Poor | Lucky Numbers: 13,16,22

Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20) While everyone else is obsessed with their trivial love and passion problems, the smooth road you are on is relaxing and comfortable. Romance: Good | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 1,13,34

Aries (Mar. 21-Apr. 19) You could have trouble persuading others to accept your ideas and opinions. Expect problems with distant friends that you are going to resolve. Romance: Poor | Finance: Fair | Lucky Numbers: 11,17,25

Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20) A new routine is in your future. You can relax a little, knowing that things might return to a more ordinary manner quite soon. Romance: Good | Finance: Fair | Lucky Numbers: 3,6,17

Gemini (May 21-June 20) Friendship problems that you thought were out of hand will suddenly seem easily repairable. Romance: Fair | Finance: Fair | Lucky Numbers: 2,4,1

Cancer (June 21-July 22) You can make new friends if you get involved in activities. You should consider getting all your friends involved in the holidays. Romance: Good | Finance: Poor | Lucky Numbers: 9,12,15

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Your soul mate questions are about to be answered. Perhaps the answer is that the future of your current relationship looks promising. Romance: Good | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 4,16,22

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A roommate situation is about to improve for you as it runs its course and exhausts itself, all without big problems. Romance: Poor | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 9,8,28

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Any travel plans you make this holiday season will be for a journey of surprising adventures. Romance: Good | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 7,14,18

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You will be better off keeping your money in a safe place. You can expand your circle of friends without spending lots of cash. Romance: Good | Finance: Poor | Lucky Numbers: 12,17,23

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Some of your best opportunities will crop up if you keep an open mind. Watch out for those who want to take them away. Romance: Good | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 1,8,26 Happy Birthday

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A new way of doing things will surface soon so be prepared for this change. Take a timeout and enjoy everything heading your way. Romance: Fair | Finance: Poor | Lucky Numbers: 6,15,29

Pool anyone?



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Two DMACC students enjoy a game of pool in the Courter Center. SAC funded the money for new balls and sticks which can be obtained in the office.

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