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"Voices from the Boone Campus"

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# DMACC Boone Campus *BANNER*

## DMACC marches to national tournament

Ryan Makovsky  
*Banner Staff*

The DMACC Bears volleyball team took first place at the conference tournament on November first and second, advancing them to the NJCAA Division II national tournament in Toledo, Ohio, as the fifth seed.

In their first game in the conference tournament, the Bears reigned victorious over NIACC, a team they defeated in both previous games earlier in the season. The score of the match was 30-23, 30-16, 30-24.

The second match in the tournament was a bit stiffer of a challenge, as they faced Iowa Central, a team who had beaten the Bears in Boone earlier in the season. After losing the first set 22-30, the



*photo by Paula Trowbridge*

The volleyball team poses with the conference tournament trophy after their win in the championship round against the number one seed, Kirkwood.

Bears rebounded to take the next three sets and move on to the quarterfinals against Waldorf.

In the quarter-finals, the Bears took all three games in close fashion 30-24, 30-26, 30-26. The win should have come as no surprise to any of the fans as the Bears had defeated Waldorf in both previous meetings over the course of the season.

In the Semifinals, the Bears faced Iowa Lakes, a team who Coach Slight had mentioned as a very dangerous team several times as the season wound down toward the playoffs. With a slim 30-28 victory in the first set, the Bears cruised the next to sets 30-23, 30-20, to give the Bears yet another three games to none win. The win vaulted the second seeded DMACC Bears to a showdown in the championship against Kirkwood, the number one seed.

The championship game proved to be just as exciting as the last time the two powers met on Oct. 16 in Boone. This time it only took the Bears three sets to defeat them, 30-25, 30-22, 30-28. With another three sets to none win, the DMACC Bears lost only one set the entire tournament. Iulia Porumbescu received all tournament first team honors, while Jennifer Trowbridge and Alex Blenche made second team. Although the three were the key components in the Bears marvelous run en route to first place, the team effort, as it has all season long, was the reason for the Bears success.

With the team bus leaving at 9 A.M. on Tuesday morning, the Bears will get to Toledo at approximately 8 P.M. DMACC will therefore be allotted one full day of practice and rest to prepare for their first game at 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, Nov. 14 against Moraine Valley out of Palos Hills, Illinois. For a complete tournament schedule, check out the DMACC homepage.

## Students attend PBL State Leadership Conference

DMACC BOONE CAMPUS--The Iowa Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) Fall Leadership Conference was held Friday and Saturday, Oct. 11 and 12 on the Boone campus.

Students from the Boone campus attending were Donna Jackson; Debra Dawkins, treasurer; and Shannon Egli, president.

Sixty-six members and advisers in attendance represented 11 of the local chapters. The conference got off to a phenomenal start with keynote speaker, Jim Verengia, Friday night. He made the audience laugh, cry, and really think about life.

The Mexican fiesta-themed social at the Boone Golf and Country Club allowed members to relax and mingle with fellow members.

Saturday started with three sessions of interesting and informative workshops. Following lunch the speaker was Erich Heneke. He gave his unique perspective of PBL, having served in various offices including National Phi Beta Lambda President. Those in attendance left excited about PBL.



*photo by Linda Plueger*

PBL members Donna Jackson, Debra Dawkins, and Shannon Egli attended the Iowa PBL Leadership Conference Saturday, Oct. 11 and 12 at Boone Campus.

### Get ready for the Holidays

Boone Campus students are invited to help get DMACC ready for the holidays by trimming the Christmas tree in the Courter Center on Wednesday, Nov. 20, from 11:15-noon. This event is sponsored by the Boone Campus PBL student-run business organization.

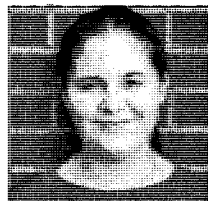
# 'Blithe Spirit'

## Students to perform play this weekend



**Name:** Megin Weiser  
**Character:** Elvira  
**Hometown:** Perry, Iowa  
**Major:** Education

**Hobbies & Interests:** Acting, watching movies and fixing up my house  
**Future Plans:** Teaching speech and drama  
**Previous play experiences:** High school shows, comedy troupe at ISU and shows at DMACC  
**Other comments:** Thanks to my family and friends for their continuing support.



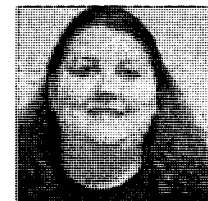
**Name:** Emily Cue  
**Character:** Ruth  
**Hometown:** Madrid, Iowa  
**Major:** Liberal Arts  
**Hobbies &**

**Interests:** Raising and breeding Great Danes and English Mastiffs  
**Future plans:** To be successful in all I choose to set out to do.  
**Previous play experiences:** "See How They Run," "Move Over Mrs. Markham," "Murder on the Rerun," "Sing On"  
**Other comments:** I hope all consider participating in future DMACC Drama productions. You never know what you may find...excitement, adventure, and maybe even love.



**Name:** Jesse Curtis  
**Character:** Dr. George Bradman  
**Hometown:** Ely, Iowa  
**Major:** Leisure Studies

**Hobbies & Interests:** Traveling, camping, and having a great time doing anything  
**Future plans:** This, that, and the other thing.  
**Previous play experiences:** Plays and musicals in high school, and a couple at DMACC.  
**Other comments:** Special thanks to the rest of the cast and for all the lucky people who attend the play.



**Name:** Becky Perkovich  
**Character:** The Stage Manager  
**Hometown:** Ames, Iowa

**Major:** AA - Liberal Arts  
**Hobbies & Interests:** Photography, drama, traveling and the great outdoors  
**Future Plans:** To have a lot of money with little effort  
**Previous play experiences:** "See How They Run," "Move over Mrs. Markham," and "Murder on the Rerun"  
**Other comments:** Thank you all for coming.



**Name:** Justin Reinert  
**Character:** Charles  
**Hometown:** Laurens, Iowa  
**Major:** Undecided

**Hobbies & Interests:** Photography, Friends, Computers  
**Future plans:** Uncertain  
**Previous play experiences:** High school and community productions, "Let's Murder Marsha," "Out of Sight...Out of Murder" at DMACC



**Name:** Tawnya Caruth  
**Character:** Mrs. Violet Bradman  
**Hometown:** Huxley, Iowa

**Major:** Commercial Arts  
**Hobbies & Interests:** Eating, shopping at Goodwill and Salvation Army, and drooling over guys with glasses.  
**Future plans:** Someday have my own line of greeting cards.  
**Previous play experiences:** High school plays and musicals  
**Other comments:** Go rent the 1984 movie "Real Genius."



**Name:** Amber Adams  
**Character:** Madame Arcati  
**Hometown:** Ida Grove, Iowa

**Major:** Upper Elementary Education  
**Hobbies & Interests:** Drama, reading and writing  
**Future Plans:** Graduate from DMACC transfer to a 4-year university  
**Previous play experiences:** High school plays and a DMACC play  
**Other comments:** Thank you everyone for your support.



**Name:** Megan Sharp  
**Character:** Edith  
**Hometown:** Boone  
**Major:** Nursing

**Hobbies & Interests:** Drawing, singing, writing, and collecting.  
**Future plans:** I plan to become a CNA and eventually be an RN.  
**Previous play experiences:** Plays in high school.  
**Other comments:** I really enjoy acting.

Friday and Saturday, Nov. 15 and 16, DMACC drama students will be performing the fall play, "Blithe Spirit" at 7:30 p.m. in the Boone Campus Theatre.


DMACC students get in free with their library card. Tickets are \$5.

Kay Mueller, director, said "It should be an enjoyable evening; it's a good script, and the set is looking nice as well."



**Kay Mueller**  
 Director

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Boone Campus Executive Dean Vivian Brandmeyer talks with Jim and Pat Henkel at the Boone Foundation reception.

## Boone Campus Foundation scholarships recipients

The following is a list of Boone campus foundation scholarship recipients and the program in which they received their award. The award amount is the total the students have received for fall and spring semesters.

Jed Alexander, Computer Applications \$400; Justin Ancel, Arts & Sciences \$400; Elisabeth Anderson, Elementary Educ. \$550; Faith Anderson, Nursing \$1,000; Amber Arens, Graphic Design \$400; Kim Bedford, Nursing \$400; Helen Branch, Computer Languages \$400; Eric Breitbarth, Arts & Sciences \$200; Matt Brown, Arts & Sciences \$500; Cathy Bugger, Civil Eng. Tech. \$2,050; Sara Butler, Arts & Sciences \$400; Brenda Cairns, Nursing \$500; Katie Carrels, Nursing \$500; Lisa Carson, Arts & Sciences \$300; Mark Clarey, Arts & Sciences \$400; Cara Clark, Arts & Sciences \$500; Jennie Doty, Nursing \$600; Jeffrey Downing, Arts & Sciences \$500; Elizabeth Dunphy, Arts & Sciences \$500; Marcelo Florenzano, Arts & Sciences \$400; Vinicius Florenzano, Arts & Sciences \$400; Brian Gibbs, Arts & Sciences \$1,000; Jennifer Harle, Arts & Sciences \$500; Mary Holland, Nursing \$500; Billie Johns, Arts & Sciences \$500; Norine Jorgenson, Arts & Sciences \$1,000; Carolyn

Kimeli, Nursing \$500; Trista Kolder, Arts & Sciences \$400; Michael Lauzon, Land Surveying \$600; HyeYeon Lee, Nursing \$400; Samuel Lucier, Arts & Sciences \$600; Lane McKay, Arts & Sciences \$400; Keowa Mendonca, Arts & Sciences \$400; Jonilda Moreira, Biotechnology \$400; Tiffany Norem, Arts & Sciences \$500; Kaisha Norgren, Nursing \$500; Katherine Osting, Business Admin. \$400; Teresa Patten-Majoros, Criminal Justice \$200; Jaime Plueger, Nursing \$600; Dustin Robinson, Arts & Sciences \$500; Mikel Schroeder, Arts & Sciences \$400; Jessica Sheldon, Arts & Sciences \$400; Adam Sisson, Arts & Sciences \$600; Jeffrey Sperber, Arts & Sciences \$300; Matt Sprecher, Civil Eng. Tech. \$400; Sheila Stoneburner, Arts & Sciences \$500; Jennifer Trowbridge, Arts & Sciences \$600; Josh VanPatter, Arts & Sciences \$500; Brian Varcoe, Arts & Sciences \$400; Timothy Welke, Arts & Sciences \$500; Cindy Wencel, Arts & Sciences \$500; Christina Wilber, Nursing \$500; Jennifer Wilson, Nursing \$1,000; Jennifer Winkler, Nursing \$500; Brandon Witcraft, Business Admin. \$1,000; Sean Zaborowski, Arts & Sciences \$400.



Gary Russell, Jeff Brittain, Ron Rosengreen George Silberhorn and Bob Runyan discuss the night's activities in the Courter Center on Nov. 5.

### Boone Foundation Appreciation Reception

Boone Foundation hosted a reception on Nov. 5 as a "thank-you" for the organizations that have contributed scholarship monies to the Boone Campus Foundation. The following includes some of the organizations that attended the reception: Rotary, Kiwanis-Noon, PEO, Boone Women's Club, State Farm, Lions, Boone Bank, Community Bank, Boone Campus Foundation, American Legion & Auxiliary, High Twelve, City Bank of Ogden, G4 Investments, Linsco Private Ledger, Kiwanis-Daybreakers, Bohlen & Associates, Flynn-Niements, Beckwith Trust (Ralph I. and Dorothy), Betten & Associates.



Marilyn Hansen, Norma Anderson, Nyla Good and Fern Clark chat in the Courter Center while attending the appreciation reception.

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# Free food

By **Lara Yungclas**  
*Banner Staff*

Grace Community Church has been sponsoring free dinners for all DMACC students and still many students are unaware of it.

On Sunday, Nov. 10 several of the Banner Staff members attended one of their dinners at the Livery in Boone to see what this was all about. We were served delicious soups and sandwiches and welcomed with many smiles. This non-denominational church, which meets at the Boone High School, uses money from their own pockets to reach out to students. There are no strings attached by attending these dinners; the church just wants students to have a connection with the community. Dinners are served the second Sunday of every month at 6 p.m. excluding the month of December. For students that are from out of town or

are unable to go home for Thanksgiving, church members are welcoming students into their own homes for dinner. During finals week next month, church members plan to deliver care packages to DMACC students. In January the dinners will return to the regular schedule.

"It's fun and the food is really good," said Libby Darby, DMACC student. "It's a great time to get together and get to know the community."

Lindsey Sanders, a DMACC graduate said, "It's not only for athletes and we would like to see more students."

The Banner Staff members who attended the meeting agreed the food was good and the church members were very friendly and welcoming.

If there are any questions or if any student would like to attend a Thanksgiving dinner, call: 515-433-6133. Transportation can be provided.

## ICN delivery troubles some students

By **Darin Longman**  
*Banner Staff*

Travis Mahler had just begun classes again at DMACC. He was looking forward to the start of a new school year and was just sitting down in one of the classrooms. He noticed that it is an ICN classroom, complete with all the microphones and monitors. He did not seem at ease with the situation. He hoped that the class would have an actual teacher in the room. When he learned that the class will be one that would be taught to several campuses he immediately left, not even ten minutes into the class.

ICN stands for Iowa Communications Network. There are well over 500 sites in the sixteen areas that are in Iowa. According to the website, [www.icn.org](http://www.icn.org), the Iowa Communications Network offers Internet, video, and voice data technology. Its primary goal is to offer equal education resources to all Iowans. It seems as if some don't see it that way.

"I prefer a much more hands on feel to my classes, I had just gotten my financial aid back, and I didn't want to run into a problem where I wouldn't be able to come into contact with the teacher," Mahler said.

Many students feel like Mahler. They feel that the ICN classrooms are less effective than a regular classroom and feel the need to have a closer relationship to their instructor. It also begs the question though, how could there be that much difference between a normal classroom and the ICN classroom?

One of the problems with the ICN classroom is the fact that the cameras are set to zoom in on the person who has hit their microphone, but do not focus

on the right location. This makes it difficult to see who is talking. There are also problems with people talking in the microphone too softly. The students on the other campuses have trouble hearing what is being said. In some extreme cases problems can arise in the classroom due to the students themselves. Other campuses can only hear other students talk when they buzz in, this makes it easy for students to talk to each other about things that do not pertain to the class and distract others from learning.

Even students who do not go to DMACC feel a similar way. Joe Harjes, an ISU student who has taken several ICN classes, said, "I think it is easier to learn in a live class. It is certainly easier to pay attention for one thing."

If ICN classes have these drawbacks then why are they used instead of traditional classes?

"The ICN classes are a convenience to the students who have a class that isn't otherwise available on their campus," said Vivian Brandmeyer, Dean of the Boone Campus. Brandmeyer also said low enrollment in classes such as advanced foreign language classes sometimes makes offering them in the traditional form a bad decision from an economic standpoint. ICN creates more opportunities to take classes on more campuses, and the classes are offered more economically.

Brandmeyer also pointed out, "We need to give technology a try. We need to learn to adapt to the technology and use it to our benefit."



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DMACC students socialize at a free dinner Sunday, Nov. 10 in the basement of The Livery sponsored by Grace Community Church.

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## November 22

Die Another Day  
Friday After Next  
The Emperor's Club  
The Quiet American  
Personal Velocity  
Talk to Her



## Eminem makes major debut on big-screen

Jason Mortvedt  
Banner Newspaper

Unsurprisingly, Eminem, a.k.a. Marshall Mathers, has done it again. Making his acting debut this past weekend, he has managed to blow audiences away by showing his sentimental side on the big-screen.

If you have been watching T.V. at all in the past few months you would know that Eminem, famed rap artist known for his controversial lyrics and cocky attitude, is starring in his own movie about a white guy trying to live in a rough black ghetto neighborhood and trying to earn their respect by rapping.

Eminem plays Jimmy Smith, a boy who was living with his girlfriend until they broke up, and the movie starts off with him coming to his mother's

trailer-park home because he has nowhere else to go.

His mother, played by Kim Basinger, comes off as a general trashy woman



photo courtesy of movies.com

## Eminem and Brittany Murphy star in 8 Mile

who has a major love/hate relationship with her son.

Smith has his four friends that he's really "tight" with. They go through everything together and believe that they are going to be big rap stars in the near future. But in

actuality, Smith is the only one with that special talent that everyone else sees.

Smith is also the only one who has his head

on straight. He's almost always the one who's calming everyone else down and making the smart decisions of the group. It's interesting to watch Eminem play such a calm, sentimental guy in this movie because of his known outrage and

animosity on his CD's.

I gained a lot of respect in his ability to portray a struggling character in a major motion picture, and not suck at it. This movie really plays with people's emotions. I felt rage towards some characters, but the movie has plenty of generally hilarious parts.

The basis for the movie is of course rapping, but not just any kind of rap, something called "street rap." Street rap is when guys bust out their lyrics and none of it is pre-written. All the lyrics are improvised right then and there. The basis for the lyrics are usually about the person that they are rapping against.

In the movie, rap-battles usually take place at a nightclub-type place where all black people are in the audience and Smith is the only white guy trying to

win.

From the beginning, we see Smith at two battles: one at the beginning of the movie, and one at the end. The final rap-battle scene consists of Smith against a group of amateur rappers who call themselves the "Free World." Let me tell you right now that the last scene in this movie will make anyone want to be a rapper right then and there.

I highly suggest this movie to anyone and everyone out there who reads this article. My only advice is that whatever you do or say, after watching this movie it is not going to make you a bonefied "street rapper." Unless you were awesome at rapping beforehand, do not walk out of the theatre trying to rap. You will only embarrass yourself and the people around you.

## Game pick of the week - Grand Theft Auto: Vice City

Chris Barrett  
Contributing Writer

This week's game is Grand Theft Auto: Vice City. I guess you could call Vice City a mob boss simulator, but the game is so much more than that.

Vice City is set in the 1980's and looks a lot like Miami. Everything from the beaches and hotels to bikini-clad roller girls and pastel suit-wearing Miami Vice look-a-likes are found here.

You play the role of

Tommy Vercetti. Tommy just got out of jail and went down to Vice City to see if he could do some business. Tommy's first job in his new home is a drug deal that goes sour. Vercetti spends the first part of the game trying to find out what went wrong and who is to blame.

I don't want to waste any time by talking about the graphics or the sound in Vice City; while they are both very good they are not what this game focuses on.

The gameplay is where it's at. Vice City is a living, breathing world that is at the mercy of Vercetti's law-breaking ways. There are cars to be jacked, stores to be robbed, and cops to be gunfought with. Vercetti can do it all.

There are well over 50 different cars in Vice City and all of them look realistic; they range from moving vans, sports cars, motorcycles, helicopters and everything in-between. All can show real-time damage.

Vercetti can shoot the tires out to make an unsuspecting motorist spin out of control, or he can snipe the driver from atop a building.

Vercetti also has a wide variety of weapons to use on his enemies. The weapons range from the very basic like a screwdriver or a machete, to the more complex like a sniper rifle, flamethrower, or a chain gun.

Vice City has mission-based gameplay where the player must meet a contact, do a job, and get paid. One of the greatest things about Vice City is the fact Vercetti does not have to follow anyone. He can run the streets rampant with no real purpose.

There are many mini games spread throughout Vice City as well. Some will have the player driving radio-controlled airplanes, or bombing Cuban drug lords. While others will have you protecting the fictional band called "Love Fist."

The 80's theme really shines through in Vice

City. When Vercetti gets into a car he can switch the radio station to whatever he chooses. The stations favorite artists are: Michael Jackson, Judas Priest, Twisted Sister, Blondie and many more.

Vice City is the place to be evil. The player can live out all of their evil ideas out vicariously through Vercetti. He can drive his sports car at high speeds head on into a motorcyclist and watch the driver go flying. Vercetti can taunt the cops and steal the police cruiser. The possibilities to go beyond evil are endless.

While the nice 80's soundtrack will please most people Vice City is not for everyone. This game is for adult gamers only. There is a lot of blood and violence, so do not let the kiddies get a hold of this one. This game has allowed anyone to live out their evil deeds, so if you have any itch to break the law in the most immoral of ways then please do it in Vice City.

Graphics: 9  
Sound: 9

Gameplay: 10 (I would give more if I could)

Newly  
Released  
DVD's

## November 12

Bad Company  
The Importance of Being Earnest  
Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (Extended Edition DVD)

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The way I see it

# Meet the Banner Staff

**Ben Carstens**  
*Banner Staff*



“Our friends won’t leave!”

This was our battle cry come the stroke of 5 a.m. last Saturday night, or should I say Sunday morning. Is it too much to ask to have people leave at 5 a.m.? Apparently so, our friends thought as we shoved them out the door.

“Slim don’t drive, Sammy your pants are in the kitchen, Nate grab your beer and date out of the living room.” Yeah our friends are great.

They are finally gone, “yes,” I sighed as I crawled into my room and jumped into bed. “What is that?” I thought to myself staring at the ceiling. My back was wet, my pillows were wet and my blankets all wet. I could smell that familiar smell of beer, so I quickly ruled out all the other liquids possibly on my bed. Normal man would get up and move, but I was just too tired.

Now don’t get me wrong, I love my friends, every last one of them. But, like most relationships, the best way to keep them good is to just stay away from each other sometimes. No more pop-ins, no more “Hey its hump day, lets get drunk!” Im going to freak if I have to hear one more person recount old high school memories, that I was there for. And if I wasn’t there, by now I’ve heard it so many times I swear I was.

My friends really are the best though. We have a great time no matter what the circumstances. We’ve dealt with life, death, fights, and unmentionable things. Outsiders tell us we have our own lingo, and accent. I don’t see it, but they swear it is true. We all share a love for the greatest movie of all time, that’s right “Almost Heroes” and can recite every line at the drop of a hat.

It’s gotten to the point where we can tell what someone is going to do before they do it. And even know the exact moment when one of us is going to freak out. One of us can say “Look at the socket set,” and all of us know what he is referring to. We may not know everyone’s real name, but we’ll make one up.

All of this and I still want you out of my house, because all I want is some sleep. Please I beg you, cut your visits to once a week. I’m getting old, I can’t handle it anymore. And for all of you out there who have the same problems, unite with me, and for once and all let’s say it. “We’re tired as hell, and we aren’t partying anymore!”

Well, maybe on the weekends.

Hey, this is just the way I see it. I could



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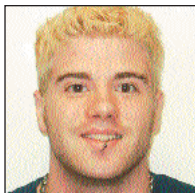
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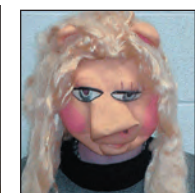
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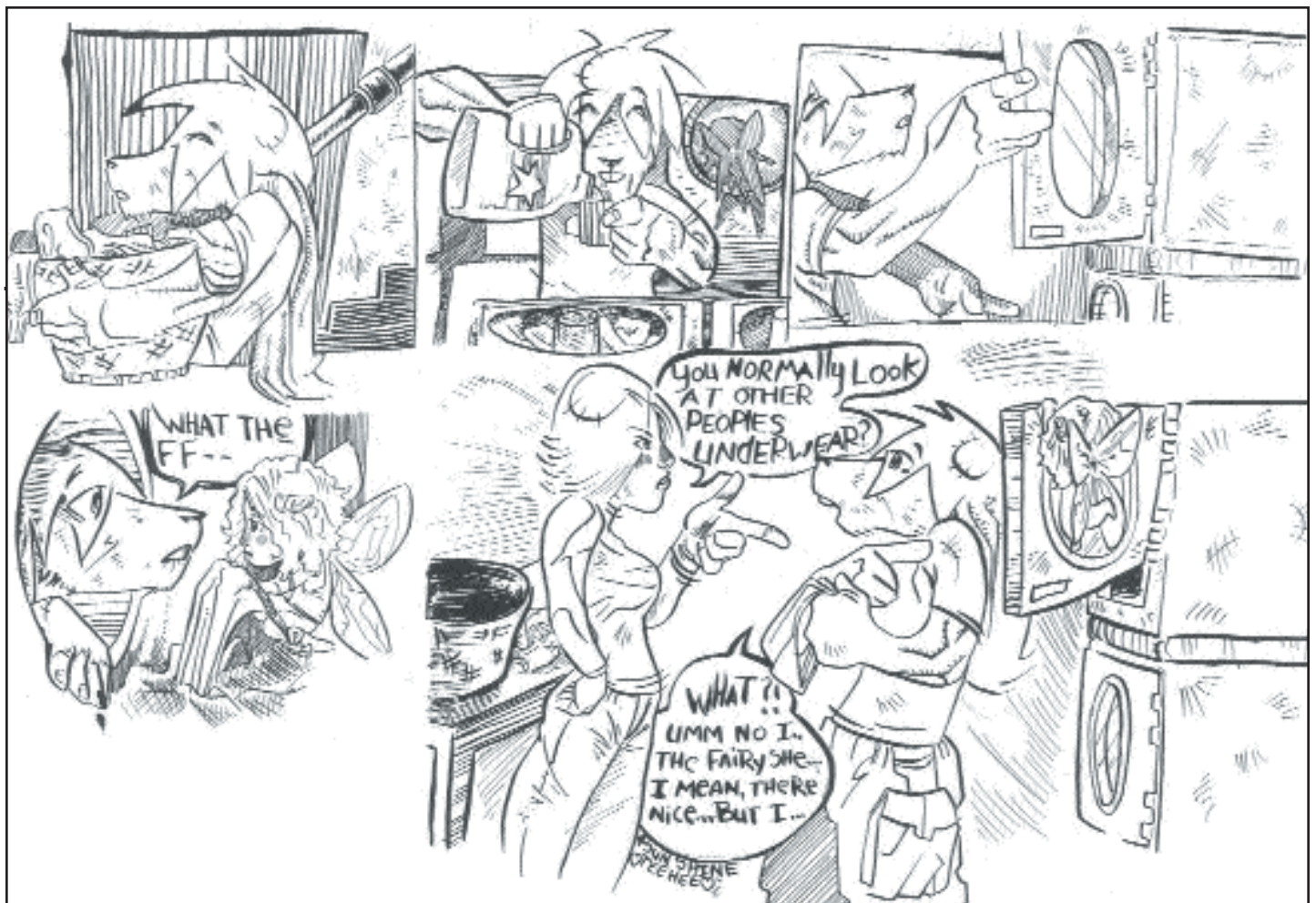
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The DMACC Volleyball team eats breakfast, sponsored by the Boone Campus before boarding the bus for Toledo.

## Good Luck at Nationals in Toledo

# PSYCH 104: Seeing the real thing

Kristen Sampson  
Banner Staff

DMACC students taking Abnormal Psychology with Dr. W. Robert Taylor get the chance to learn all about themselves and to see and hear real people with disorders.

Odds are that everyone either knows someone with a mental disorder or will themselves, develop one in his or her lifetime.

According to Taylor, "It is a good class for everybody to take because it helps people to discover themselves and others."

Students get to learn about common disorders like alcoholism and depression, just to name a couple of topics covered in the class. Through lectures and videos, students get to learn about causes, symptoms, and



Dr. Robert Taylor

different treatments of all types of disorders. Taylor also uses many examples from newspapers and magazines to better illustrate the problems to students.

Just when students think they've seen or heard enough about these sometimes disturbing disorders, they get the chance to see the real

thing.

Taylor has always given students the chance to listen to guest speakers with different disorders. So far, there have been five guest speakers on two different days.

The first speakers were both recovering from eating disorders; one with anorexia and one with bulimia. Students got to see what these people went through and how it is a lifelong process. The two women didn't leave much to the imagination and really opened up students' eyes to eating disorders.

The next time speakers came, alcohol and drugs were the issue. The speakers were two men and one woman. All three speakers started drinking around the age of twelve, and started using drugs such as methamphetamines and marijuana a little later. Most stu-

dents were amazed at how young they were when it all started. They all ended up getting in trouble with the law or spent time in prison before they finally realized they had a problem and that it wasn't just fun and games.

Along with learning about themselves, listening to these people and getting to ask them questions is something most abnormal psychology students look forward to.

Laura Griffin, a student in the class, said, "I thought it was interesting because it's nice to get a different perspective, rather than just from the teacher."

Students in the class will probably get the opportunity to see a few more speakers before the semester is over.

# Fate of MTV's '120 Minutes'

By **Darin Longman**  
*Banner Staff*

MTV has always stood for music television.

In recent years it has evolved into a network for youth culture, while still remaining a place for the music. Even though it has now branched off into including shows that have very little to do with music, like cartoons and other entertaining programs, it still manages to find the occasional time for a music video.

The shows have changed over the years. "Most Wanted" became "Total Request Live" and then later just "TRL," "MTV Jams" became "Direct Effects" and "Alternative Nation" changed to "Return of the Rock" and later "All Things Rock."

Whatever the musical craving, MTV

made a show for. But, for those who remember clear back to the early days of MTV, there was a show that was beyond all shows. The greatest show ever, thinking back, no, not "Headbanger's Ball," but rather the longest running show on MTV, entitled simply "120 minutes."

This show was the premiere show for all things indie rock. It had ground breaking artists and bands stopping by to perform when they were still destined for greatness. It had great hosts, such as Matt Pinfield, and it had great guest hosts. You could say it had everything but the kitchen sink, but I am certain they had that in there somewhere.

For me, and my indie rock brethren, it was truly a musical heaven packed into two hours. It wasn't a show; it was a state of consciousness. It is just too bad it

wouldn't last.

The show that was predominately shown every Sunday evening, was suddenly being replaced by episodes of MTV's "Undressed," a show that is about as interesting as a dead lady bug. I am sure many others like me were distressed to find that their favorite show was cancelled, but they would be wrong.

I have unraveled the mystery myself with out the help of scientists, detectives, or even certified experts in missing music channels. The good news is the show was not cancelled. The bad news is it is on another station.

To the dismay of all those who are afraid to call their local cable provider, MTV2 has taken the show and put it on. The same time slot, different network. This is okay, except in some places it is

impossible to get it. In the locations it is available, be prepared to pay for the extra channel and possibly an extra digital cable box in order to view this magnificent imagery. For the poor college students that are it's main demographic, this might be a financial chore. I propose another way.

I think that the show should be shown on both channels. Its been done with the "Unplugged 2.0" programs and I think it would be beneficial to both networks.

It would also be fairly cool to those of us that do not have anything more than basic cable.

It's what I would do, but unfortunately I am not an MTV executive.

# Level Headed boys release CD



photo by Adam Sisson

Level Headed tears up the stage Sunday night, causing their fans to wake up with sonic hangovers Monday morning.

By **Adam Sisson**  
*Banner Staff*

Sunday night, the Boone Community Center was filled with the sounds of distorted guitars and thumping bass. Level

Headed, a local band from both Boone and Ames was celebrating the release of their first CD, "Our Time Has Come."

Admission to the show was four dollars, or three with a canned good. Numerous friends and family members showed up

to show their support and to help Level Headed celebrate.

Three bands opened for Level Headed. The first band was Sorry Sam, Boone boys who performed some pop-punk tunes for a growing audience. It was only their second show, but they did fairly well and had the crowd jumping and waving their fists in the air.

The next band, Dust was a four piece from Ankeny. They put together an ensemble of acoustic sounds, a little bit of hardcore, and a cover of a Hoobastank song for which they brought out a guest vocalist.

For The Better, the third group to play, belted out three-part harmonies to the sound of driving punk-rock melodies. The guys from For The Better urged the crowd to show off any dancing capabilities they had, awarding a free CD to a young breakdancer. They finished up their set by playing an "acoustic rap medley," a combination of popular rap choruses such as Nelly's "It's Getting Hot In Here," set to the sound of an acoustic guitar.

The real show stealer was Level Headed's phenomenal performance at the end of the night. The guys went all out

and set about creating a mosh pit in front of the stage. They played a large number of their old songs as well as some new. Its apparent the amount of musical maturity the group has gained during the last few years of playing around mid-Iowa.

Level Headed started out as a punk band. After losing a member, the others stepped up and turned their musical stylings toward a harder edge. The three-piece consists of two brothers. Ryan and Adam Babbitt play the guitars while Joe

Pometto pounds the drums. All three members contribute vocals to the mix.

Along with rapping, Level Headed throws in some dark harmonies, and to top it off, there is usually a fair amount of screaming coming from Pometto or one of the Babbitts.

Sunday night was more than just a CD release show; it was a party to celebrate all of their accomplishments thus far. Along with CDs, Level Headed had T-shirts for sale and poster boards displaying pictures of previous performances.

**The real show stealer was Level Headed's phenomenal performance at the end of the night.**

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# Home Sweet Home

Patrick Valdez  
Banner Staff

Like many of you, I am not native to this area. Although I didn't come from a foreign country, I did come from a place where life is much different than it is here.

November marks the 1-year anniversary of my moving 1,200 miles from my hometown of Las Cruces, in southern New Mexico, to my current city of residence, Jefferson in west-central Iowa.

Las Cruces, New Mexico, is part of an international "tri-state" area, which includes El Paso, Texas, and Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico, which surpassed Tijuana in the last census to be the largest town along the border in Mexico and has the bulk of the population in the area.

All three metro areas consist of over two million people, 74,267 of those living within the Las Cruces city limits (for comparison purposes, Ames has a population of 50,731). Ciudad Juarez (Juarez City) is a mere 40 miles from Las Cruces and life in southern New Mexico has a heavy Mexican cultural influence.

The biggest difference is the landscape. Instead of flat farmland and green as far as the eye can see, southern New Mexico is mostly dusty desert, with cacti, yucca and short mesquite shrubs. There are also small hills and a short chain of mountains.

The Organ Mountains, to the east of Las Cruces, are part of the Southern Rocky Mountains. It was a shock to my system not to be able to see the mountains to the east every morning.

By the way, they actually farm in the desert. The Mesilla Valley, where Las Cruces is located, is a wide valley carved by the Rio Grande. It is home to many farmers, who grow many different crops, such as cotton, corn, lettuce, and chili peppers. Like the farms in the San Joaquin Valley in California, they are all irrigated.

Weather was another shock to my system. New Mexico summers are typically hot and dry, with 110 degree plus temperatures not uncommon.

This was my first summer in the Midwest and the humidity took a little getting used to, well as much as one who's used to a dry heat can. We used evaporative coolers back home to cool our houses, but here in Iowa, it's all refrigerated air. Then there was winter. While I've been told repeatedly that the winter of 2001-2002 was quite mild, it was enough to give me a taste of what I had to look forward to. I wasn't familiar with alien concepts



photo by Patrick Valdez

The Mesilla Valley located in New Mexico is a large valley carved by the Rio Grande.

such as snow blowers, snow emergencies and road salt. While it snows quite a bit in northern New Mexico (home to many ski areas, such as Taos Ski Valley), snows in the southwest are few and far between. It might snow an inch every four years or so, just enough to cause problems and lows were usually in the 20's, not minus 20!

It took me a while to adjust to small Midwest town life. I was used to going out on Friday and Saturday nights and cruising the "main drag" back home.

I was used to club hopping with my best friend David.

I was used to living mere blocks from Wal-Mart, now it's a 25-mile drive to either Carroll or Boone, or 40 miles if I want to go to the Wal-Mart Super Center in Fort Dodge.

Despite all that I think it's kind of neat to have all those shops and restaurants in a "town square" setting.

I love the fact that I don't have to worry about getting hassled by gang members at night on my street. Don't get me wrong, my old neighborhood wasn't like East LA or Compton, but it had its share of problems. Problems I fortunately don't have to deal with anymore.

If I have one complaint, it is the food.

I can't find spicy food here, Mexican or otherwise. Most chili around here is totally bland compared to what I am used to. Once, with some chili powder my mother sent me, I made some authentic red enchiladas for my aunt, her boyfriend and my cousins, whom I currently reside with. While my aunt and I were ok (she, like me, was born and raised on New Mexican food), everyone else nearly died. My aunt's boyfriend commented it was the spiciest food he had ever consumed. I'll admit that it was a bit spicy. Next time, I'll water down the chili sauce a bit more.

Finally, the people of Iowa seem to be quite friendly, especially in a small town like Jefferson (population 4,624) and even here in Boone.

It was weird but it almost scared me, I guess coming from such a large town (Las Cruces is the second largest city in New Mexico), I wasn't used to such friendly people.

So far, with a few exceptions, I have met nothing but friendly people here and I'm slowly becoming a bit friendlier. Still, people back home in New Mexico aren't as friendly.

Maybe it's all that desert heat, dust, gang-bangers and spicy food.

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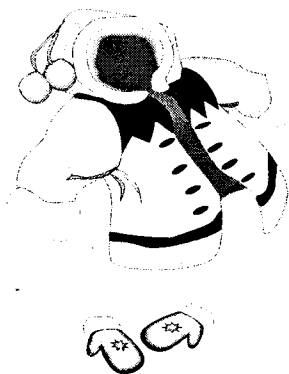
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## Children's Winter Coat Drive

Nursing Students United is having a coat drive for children, beginning Monday Nov. 18 through Friday Dec. 6.

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**Ben Carstens**  
*Banner Staff*

A lot of new faces and a first year coach greet us this year on the 2002-2003 Women's Basketball team. First year coach, Ben Conrad, welcomes eight freshmen this year; Kristen Meyer, April Love, Jill Brant, Shelby Junkman, Lauren Morz, Jenny Harle, Angela Bourrage, and Amber Arens. Jennifer Luckett and Trista Kolder round out the sophomore class.



**Trista Kolder is the only returning player from last season.**

Conrad expects to see a well-balanced league this year when it comes to opponents. "It's hard to tell this year, but year in and year out Kirkwood, Iowa Central, and Marshalltown are always at the top."

As far as practices this year, a lot of progress has been made. "We've been working hard and have been making progress. We have a bunch of kids that work hard, and are good kids." Conrad also has been waiting to see a player step up and become a leader on the team. "We're still waiting for someone to step up and take charge of this team. Our freshman point guard, April Love, is pretty vocal, but we're still looking for leadership."

Conrad's goals coming in to the season are to compete

every night out and to give the team a chance in every game. He also pointed out that making plays, shots, and free throws are going to dictate the outcome of the games. "We plan to finish in the upper half of the conference, if not, we'll be pretty disappointed."

On Nov. 6, the Bears played their first game against Mt. St. Clare. The Bears lost 42-38, but gained some well needed experience. Arens, a freshman center said, "We had a really rough start and couldn't get things going. We need to work on rebounding and getting shots to fall."

Guard April Love also felt shooting was a problem. "We played well on defense, but the shots weren't falling. If they fell we would have run away with the victory."

The next opponent for the team is on Nov. 18 at William Penn and then Mt. St. Clare again in Boone on Nov. 19. Conrad sees the week as a break and an opportunity to work on rebounding and defending. This will also give the scout team a chance to defend on the perimeter and put more pressure on the ball to improve toughness.



## DMACC Bears Women's Basketball

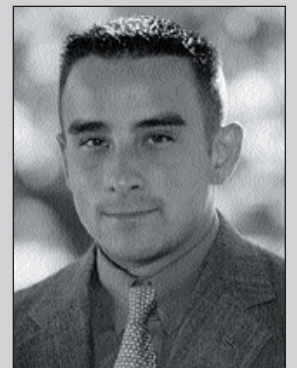


**The 2002 - 2003 DMACC Women's Basketball Team members are (front row, left to right): Coach Ben Conrad, Trista Kolder, Shelby Junkman, April Love, Lauren Morz, Manager Eric Ver Helst. (second row): Jennifer Luckett, Jill Brandt, Amber Arens, Kristen Meyer, Angela Bourrage, Ashley Austin, Jenny Harle.**

## Boone welcomes new women's basketball coach

**Ben Carstens**  
*Banner Staff*

On Apr. 22, 2002, Ben Conrad was named the new head of the DMACC women's basketball team. Conrad graduated from North Polk High School in 1994 and attended college at the University of Northern Iowa (UNI) where he received his Bachelors Degree in 1999.



He started his coaching career at UNI as a student assistant under coach Eldon Miller and a year under Sam Weaver, a former Tim Floyd assistant. After his four-year stretch at UNI, Conrad moved on to graduate school at Iowa State University, and was a graduate assistant for head women's basketball coach Bill Fennely. After graduating from ISU with his Masters in 2001, he moved on to be associate head men's coach at Graceland University.

Conrad's coaching philosophy can be traced back as far as his high school days. "It all starts back at North Polk, with my high school coach, who was really good. He's very defensive minded, they run a lot of motion, and it's a very disciplined system."

Conrad went on to say that Miller was very similar, and that his year under Weaver was probably one of his biggest influences on his coaching style. Weaver brought with him the "Tim Floyd" style of coaching, tough hard-nosed defensive basketball, all of which has influenced his approach.

When asked on his own philosophy of coaching, Conrad said "Guard, defend and rebound." He also cited taking care of the ball as another main area of concern when it comes to the games.

What brought Coach Conrad to DMACC? "It's a good opportunity for me to turn around a struggling program in a short amount of time, and a great athletic director here, who I will learn a lot from."

## 2002 - 2003 Men's Basketball Squad



The 2002-03 DMACC Bears Men's Basketball Team members are: Front row (left to right): Josh McKinney, Ian Young, Charles Boyd, Steve Clayton, Manager Eric Ver Helst; Second row: Dominique Leake, Nick Knutson, Derrick Pouder, Shawn Williams; Third Row: Raffinee Williams, Tim Stoops, Carl Hagstrand, Marcus Josephson and Angelo Whitehead. (not pictured: Jordan Jackson)

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## Voice of disappointed fans

58-7. Kind of evokes memories of Troy Davis racking up two hundred plus yards of rushing, but still getting shal-lacked in embarrassing fashion. Well, at least someone was having a good day back then, because the Cyclones' current star Seneca Wallace decided to lay an egg for the second time this season on national television. When Troy Davis was at ISU, he was the team. There was *no one* that symbolized a supporting cast, so it was understandable when the Cyclones were getting destroyed like this to teams like Kansas State.

For the Clones to get destroyed like they did on Saturday night, with arguably the most talented player ever to suit up for ISU in the last half of century and a supporting cast that may not be Miami, but is good enough to beat Iowa is just a travesty. If I didn't know any better, I would have never guessed that this team was going into the game on Saturday night with aspirations of winning the Big IX-North crown.

What's worse, they came out uninspired in a season where inspiration has been the building block for their success. Lack of inspiration, determination and motivation were the key ingredients missing in the drubbing at the hands of the Wildcats. Then again, why would the chance to play Oklahoma again be any kind of motivation to win? That stink in the air in Ames on Saturday night was not from the hog barns in the area, it came from Manhattan, Kansas...

Speaking of disappointments, if this year's Oklahoma defense is the crown jewel of the many great defenses Bob Stoops has coached, then there is no way Brad Smith and Reggie McNeal, two freshman quarterbacks, should put up a combined 667 total yards and seven touchdowns...

On to college basketball, where the AP preseason top 25 poll was released on Monday. Much to my delight, neither Kansas nor Duke was ranked number one. Instead, the much more deserving Arizona Wildcats recieved the distinction, with Kansas at number two. Frankly, it doesn't matter how good Kansas' starting five is, because lack of depth will be the achilles heel for the Jayhawks all season. Kirk Hinrich and Nick Collison will be stars on the team, but Aaron Miles and Keith Simeon will be depended on to ease the defensive pressure and contribute when needed. But for player of the year, look no further than Oklahom's Hollis Price. He will lead his team like Dixon did for Maryland last year.

## Salmon gets his team ready for season

Jason Mortvedt  
Banner Newspaper

Last year DMACC had its most successful men's basketball season ever. In coach Orv Salmon's second year he was able to accomplish a second conference title, as well as going on to finishing the season at fourth in the nation in division II in NJCAA .

The men's basketball team has already kicked off the season at the State Fair Classic in Missouri. They had an overpowering win over Allen County, and a disappointing loss to Forest Park to end the tournament with a 1-1 overall record.

When asked about what he thinks of his almost entirely new team this season, Salmon said, "With one returning starter, Ian Young, I believe we will have some

"growing pains," which is to be expected with such a young team." Even though the Bear's have played only one official game this season, Salmon is still evaluating his leaders and has yet to pick his captains for the team. But from the looks of practice, Salmon said, "We have a lot of talented young players on the team, and we are still determining our leaders. But right now we're looking at Jordan Jackson (Sophomore), Nick Knutson (Sophomore), Raffinee Williams (Sophomore), and Ian Young (Sophomore). The main thing we are looking for is consistency in abilities in our practices."

With such games as Grand View under their belt and the Indian Hills Classic coming up at the start of their schedule, it doesn't seem the Bears' men have it so

easy to start off the season. "We wanted that early tough schedule to start off with for a reason. We want to mold the team together and force them to play harder," Coach Salmon said.

At the end of last season, Salmon had the privilege of sending off two of his basketball graduates to Division I schools, with Jamal Jackson being recruited to Sienna, and Shelton Colwell at South Western Missouri State. In only his third season, it seems Coach Orv Salmon is doing everything right for the DMACC Bears' men's basketball team.

The DMACC men conquered Grand View (JV) in their home opener, by a score of 97-39 Monday night. Steve Clayton led the team in scoring with 20 points.

## DMACC Men's Basketball

Date	Opponent	Location	Time/score
11/1	State Fair Classic/Allen County	Sedalia, MO	WIN 97-73
11/2	State Fair Classic/Forest Park	Sedalia, MO	Loss 67-84
11/5	Dream Builders	Boone	WIN 84-56
11/11	Grand View	Boone	WIN 97-39
11/15	Indian Hills Classic	Ottumwa	TBA
11/16	Indian Hills Classic	Ottumwa	TBA
11/20	Graceland	Boone	7:00 p.m.
11/27	Australia Sports	Boone	7:30 p.m.
11/30	Blackhawk Classic	Kewanee, IL	TBA

# The Other Side of the Courter

Pictures and text by Igor Braga

## What is your favorite winter activity ?



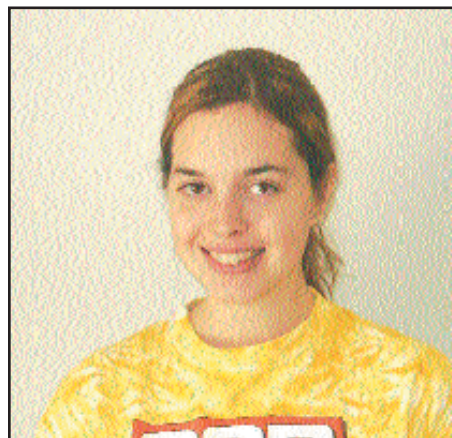
**Corey Plath**

"Consumption of alcohol in large quantities."



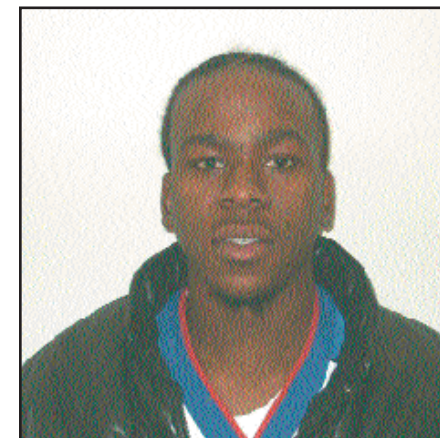
**Rita Azevedo**

"I love to stay at home studying and watching TV."



**Jenny Berry**

"Sledding Rocks!"



**Danai Chinoda**

"Hibernating."

## Horoscopes by Pam

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Try to focus on your self-control and avoid relying on someone who is less reliable. You will be able tell it like it is. Romance: Good | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 5,19,21

**Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)** You might form a bond of love that will have a long life. Look close at all the possibilities that person has to offer. Romance: Poor | Finance: Fair | Lucky Numbers: 6,13,27

**Aries (Mar. 21-Apr. 19)** Understanding what is important to a very close friend is critical. The more direct the questions you can ask, the more answers you will get. Romance: Good | Finance: Poor | Lucky Numbers: 21,27,29

**Taurus (Apr. 20-May 20)** Some money issues will surface soon, and you will have to have patience to take care of them. Romance: Good | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 10,17,20

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)** Your workload will be overwhelming with new projects popping up. Remember take time for you. Romance: Good | Finance: Fair | Lucky Numbers: 2,14,30

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)** You have been putting off so many things until the last minute. Watch out it will have a harsh backfire. Romance: Fair | Finance: Poor | Lucky Numbers: 3,20,24

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** Beauty is only skin deep, but the quality of your char-

acter runs deep. Don't change for just anyone. Romance: Poor | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 11,12,14

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Time to break out of your everyday ritual. Wear a shocking outfit and make a statement about who you really are. Romance: Poor | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 7,16,22

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Your feelings will be front and center. You may take offense to the slightest comment. Romance: Fair | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 1,3,7

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** There will be a day coming up which you will want to be in the right place, because the right time will be all day long. Romance: Good | Finance: Fair | Lucky Numbers: 5,12,18

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22- Dec. 21)** Career opportunities will be knocking at your door, but you may have too many demands to find them. Romance: Poor | Finance: Fair | Lucky Numbers: 8,12,15

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Someone who you care for deeply could slip away, but you might be too busy to look them up. Romance: Fair | Finance: Good | Lucky Numbers: 13,16,28

## What if it's snowing?

If weather conditions in the early morning hours warrant the decision to cancel classes due to inclement weather, the decision will most generally be made around 6 a.m. As soon as a decision has been made to cancel Boone Campus classes, the radio stations listed below will be contacted.

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- KDLS AM 1310 PERRY/ JEFFERSON
- KGRA FM 98.9 JEFFERSON



Cancellation announcements will also be recorded on the Boone Campus telephone system. The direct number for Boone Campus is 432-7203. Students and/or staff can also call toll free number 1-800-362-2127 and pressing 3 for Boone Campus to hear announcements of weather cancellations. Weather cancellations will also be announced on DMACC's web site [www.dmacc.org](http://www.dmacc.org).

When weather conditions in the early morning delays the start of school (i.e. 10 a.m.), offices will be open for business at the designated time. Classes will begin with the first full class period beginning on or after the designated time.

If the weather conditions during the school day warrants an early dismissal,

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