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UNLESS some unforeseen legislative is passed this year, it is unlikely that cigarettes, or beer will be purchased at any of the state's community colleges.

Community College policies raise questions

By Jeff Kautz

Any student who smokes cigarettes or consumes alcohol on community college campuses are subject to suspension or expulsion, according to Iowa Code 279.9, "Use of Tobacco."

This ruling falls under the jurisdiction of the Iowa Department of Public Instruction, (D.P.I.) the board which determines policies for community colleges and high schools.

"Until sufficient interest can be established, I don't believe the present ruling affecting cigarettes and alcohol, will be challenged," said John Tirhoda, superintendent of Iowa Valley Community College.

Tirhoda, also director of the area community colleges board of superintendents stated, "We are waiting for a ruling from the attorney general concerning alcohol sales on the states university campuses."

He also expressed legalities concerning

alcohol and tobacco consumption. "You are allowed to sell alcoholic beverages in student unions, funded by student money,"

he said. "All of our buildings are funded with public monies, so this is an important ruling for us.

Charles Mintch, D.P.I. representative believes students should initiate the challenge towards legalizing alcohol and tobacco.

"The superintendents of the area colleges have talked about the proposal to eliminate the restriction of tobacco use and sales, although the sale of alcohol might constitute a problem," Mintch said.

Director of DMACC student activities, Dale Wagner believes it would be detrimental to the college to enforce such rules, "We don't follow the code by the letter obviously," stated Wagner.

Currently, cigarettes and alcohol are unavailable for purchase on campus.

Investigates DMACC

By Jeff Kautz

The Department of Labor is currently investigating DMACC for alleged violations of the Fair Labor Standards Act.

In August, Labor Department officials accused DMACC of paying some women employees lower salaries than men who perform essentially the same work.

SUBMITS PROPOSAL

The Board of Education of DMACC has submitted a proposal for internal evaluation of salary level placement of all female faculty members.

The Des Moines Register, in a November article, Joe Borgo, vice president of instruction, estimated there were about 40 employees, including some men, whose salaries are not in line with the rest of the faculty.

SPENDS \$60,000

Superintendent Paul Lowery said "We have spent about \$60,000 since June of this year to equalize some positions. We want to be in compliance with the law." Most of the employees

involved teach in health office occupations and adult education.

REFUSED TO COMMENT

Labor Department officials refused to comment on the progress of the investigation or on the acceptance of the Board of Educations proposal for compliance.

The resolution promises to make adjustments over and above regular salary increases over the next three years.

DMACC is the first community college in the state to be investigated.

Full time night classes begin

By Jeff Kautz

Winter Quarter marks the beginning for a new program of full-time night classes at DMACC's Des Moines extension center, the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

Monday through Thursday from 6 p.m. to midnight, 14 introductory courses are offered in two-three hour blocks.

Chris Phillips, coordinator in charge of campus transfer credits at DMACC said, "The courses benefit veterans who wish to work and still draw full benefits. It also allows anyone who like to further their education a chance to take more than just one or two night courses."

Next spring we intend to also start a program at Newton and increase course offerings, Phillip added.

For information contact Larry Clausen at 964-6228 on the Ashby Campus, or Richard Hogen in Carroll and Jim Bell in Knoxville.

Griffith resigns post

By Martha Perry

Mearle Griffith, director of College Relations, will be leaving DMACC on January 1 to accept the position of executive director of the Iowa United Methodist Foundation.

Griffith joined the college staff in July 1973. He was the first program chairman of the Community Journalism Program. He was an instructor and newspaper advisor until his promotion to director in December 1974.

He has always been active in campus activities. He has served as vice chairman of the Campus Ministry Board, was a member of the Faculty Senate and on the Legislative Committee of the college. He was on the National Board of Directors of the Junior College Journalism Association and the National Council of College Publication Advisors. He also served as advisor for the Beta Phi Gamma Fraternity.

Griffith was chairman of The Open House and Dedication ceremony held here last May. He was

also chairman of the

Committee on the Past and Future of the Methodist Church. He was also the first executive director of the Iowa United Methodist Foundation, located in Des Moines. According to Griffith, this is an organization to aid churches, colleges, hospitals and retirement homes to benefit from annuities and legacies given by individuals and private corporations.



Mearle Griffith

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Grievance Committee handles Campus Complaints

By Elaine Jordan

Students and staff who have gripes and want to be taken seriously now have some place to go. The Student Senate has set up a grievance committee to handle campus complaints.

The committee investigates the

trouble and gathers information concerning all parties involved.

They then present this information, along with the grievance and the committee's recommendations to the Student Senate Executive Board to be acted upon. Grievances may be

presented in oral or written form. A person may attend a grievance committee meeting and voice his complaint with

the condition that a written version will be submitted by the next regularly scheduled meeting. Written grievances are reviewed by

two-thirds of the committee before they are presented to the Student Senate for evaluation.

Chuck Wall, temporary chairman of the committee, mentioned two complaints they've handled so far. One grievance concerned involved a student

inquiry about the policy concerning incompletes.

Grievance forms may be obtained in the Student Senate office, the Student Activities office or from student senators.

The next grievance committee meeting is scheduled for Dec. 23 9 a.m. in the cafeteria.

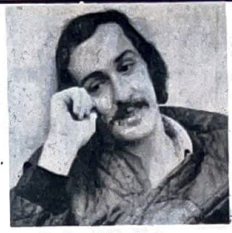
Opinion Page

What are your reactions to the series of articles in the Register concerning community colleges?



Brenda Shumway

"It made me mad because they were complaining about funds. They thought that all the colleges were doing were taking funds and not doing anything with them."



Denny Southern

"They haven't presented any side as to what students of Area schools think."



Martha Perry

"The articles failed to mention how the public can save money in the long run by training people so they can work for a living."

Policies for community colleges need change

The Iowa State Legislature, in 1965, delegated all policy decisions concerning community colleges, to the Department of Public Instruction, (DPI) the board which also oversees high school policies.

Therefore, technically, any policies concerning high school students apply to community college students as well.

From this delegation of power to the DPI, community college students must adhere to the ruling of Iowa Code 279.9, "Use of Tobacco," which makes cigarette and alcohol consumption on campus illegal.

When this ruling was approved community colleges were just ideas, and not reality. But now, the reality of these institutions is widely apparent for many reasons.

In 1966, when DMACC was approved by the State Board of Public Instruction, 27 students had enrolled. Now, nine years later, over five thousand students are attending this institution.

In 1967, only four career programs existed as compared

to the 54 career programs and 13 para professional programs in effect now.

Now that community colleges have matured in enrollment, building and programs, it is past time to let adults become adults and exercise the privileges allowed by the federal government.

The average age of the DMACC student exceeds 21 years of age. There is discrimination when adults must follow the same guidelines as high school students.

Another board to specifically deal with community colleges should be created by the Iowa legislature. This board would deal with legalities relating directly to problems of a college environment.

Since projected enrollment for 1982 is eight thousand students, it is time to start now and develop a new board, solely designed for community colleges.

Parliamentary procedure key to organization

Parliamentary procedure is a formal style of organization which guarantees freedom of speech and prevents the possibility of persons dictating policies.

Recently, Jon Katz, student body president, stated that organization is one of the main goals of student senate. However, at a Student Senate special meeting on Dec. 11, parliamentary procedure was suspended to save time in completing unfinished business. Katz said, "Time is of the essence."

It is unnecessary that parliamentary procedure be neglected in order to organize the Student Senate. The procedure is the formal, correct way of conducting meetings.

At the Dec. 11 meeting, 17 topics of business were listed on the Student Senate agenda. Of the 17 topics, only four items of discussion were completed. This included calling the meeting to order, writing letters to the editor of the Des Moines Register, suspending the rules of parliamentary procedure and announcing when a consultant will be on campus.

One reason parliamentary procedure has not been

used, according to one senator, is that no one knows how to use it.

In reality, conducting the special meeting by "open forum", wasted time instead of saving it.

Solutions to this problem are obvious. Mini-workshops specifically dealing with the process of parliamentary procedure should be initiated this quarter. These would teach senators the basics of the procedure and thus organize the Senate.

The purpose of the DMACC Student Senate as stated in article 2, section 1 of the constitution is "to give a voice to the students of DMACC in an effort to promote and maintain an effective working relationship with the administration and faculty of the community college."

If the Senate itself is not organized, how can it ever effectively provide a working relationship with other groups?

It is necessary that the Senate act now and organize, so everyone's voice will be heard. The only way to understand the system is to learn how to use it.

Student views omitted in Register's articles

It's amazing how a reporter can evaluate community colleges without checking the important source, the students.

Recent publications in the Des Moines Register have delved into various aspects of community colleges including ideals of liberal arts, funding of community colleges and athletic programs.

Arnold Garson, reporter, interviewed superintendents, presidents and heads of other colleges but somehow neglected to interject student viewpoints. If Garson interviewed students, it was unknown to the reader.

Enrollment figures show 5,918 people registered for the 1974-1975 school year. Throughout the state over 33 thousand students enrolled in community colleges.

It seems somehow ironic that 33 thousand people would not have a voice concerning their institutions. Who else would know if community colleges are working, but the students?

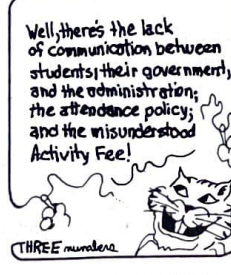
Another article concentrating on student views should be run in the Des Moines Register.

Since students are by far the best source for facts, in this case, true journalists would not hesitate to present both sides of the situation.

Results shown

Results from the Eclectic suggestion box show that many students have various ideas concerning this paper.

One suggestion stated, "Keep male students on their toes- by raising urinals six inches," N.O.W.



Letters to the Editor

Believes campus wastes energy

To the Editor:

Thanks to careless students and staff, DMACC could be the Iowa Power and Light Company's favorite customer. The fuel bills must be exhorbitant

Look at all the empty rooms with lights going full blast. And take a look at the thermostat settings. Most of them are set at a nice, warm 75 degrees or higher. If the rooms were that warm in the spring and summer, everyone would complain that it was too hot. What ever happened to the fuel crisis suggestion of setting thermostats at 68 degrees? The most frustrating

example of waste was in my Environmental Biology class. While the instructor lectured on the waste of water through pollution and carelessness, the faucet beside her quietly dripped gallons of water down the drain.

If this wasn't an educational institution, I wouldn't be so worried,

But you students are supposed to be the ecologically conscious generation.

Students are famous for pointing accusing fingers instead of using them to turn off a few lights.

An ecological, hard-nosed student, Elaine Jordan

Dislikes library facilities

To the Editor:

In the DMACC library there is a machine called the Randtriever. It retrieves the books, which are stored underground, when a librarian punches

a number into it's computer.

This is not the way a library should be arranged. I would much rather browse through several shelves of books than go through the procedure of choosing books only from the card catalog.

After talking to several students, I discovered that the Randtriever breaks down and causes much inconvenience. There are some students who would rather go to another library than hassle with the card catalog and the library attendants, everytime you want to look through some books.

There is no reason why we can't have access to all the books that the school owns. DMACC is expanding and they could easily build a library big enough to shelve all the books and provide a quiet study area for the students.

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Editorial policy

The Eclectic will accept letters to the editor from students, staff or administration of the DMACC campus. Due to space limitations, it is necessary all letters are limited to 150 words.

Include name, address and phone on letters and mail them to: Eclectic Office, Bldg. 24, room 2419A, DMACC, 2006 Ankeny Blvd, Ankeny Iowa.

institutions. The student body which is made up of not only "Kids," as the article suggested, but people ranging from 17 to 65 years of age, hardly kids I might add.

The articles were degrading to the reader's intelligence.

Tim Woods
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Des Moines, Iowa

I don't even care about APATHY...



ONE member

SpaceCat

Sees neglect in articles

To the Editor:

Regarding the recent articles in the Des Moines Register, I would like to say a few things.

The subtle objective view that is supposed to inform the reader was a gross neglect of reporters ethics in the articles.

The actual facts about these schools were distorted by the combining of all the community school figures and made to look as though they were causing a phenomenal deficit in the State Treasury. When in reality these schools probably save the state thousands of dollars in many ways.

For instance, a young mother on ADC, given the chance to better her education can obtain the necessary income to support her family. I feel to do justice to the community, another article should be written. Garson neglected to include in his article the most important fact of the

Vietnamese students begin new lives

What problems and questions do three South Vietnamese refugees encounter in Perry, Iowa?

Pham Khai, Doan Long, and Pham Dung are students of DMACC. All three are related. "In Vietnam, I was already very successful. Leaving your home, everyone you know, and almost everything you own is like starting all over again," explains Pham Khai, oldest of the three.

Khai, 28, was a Saigon lawyer for five years, until April of this year when he and others left South Vietnam to come to Fort Pendleton, California and then to Iowa.

"Now I would like to continue my education in college, maybe in the following branches of economics, business, accounting or management," comments Khai.

Pham Dung, a graduate of Saigon's Faculty of Pharmacy in April of '75, said she too, is starting over.

"In Saigon I worked in a hospital. Now I would like to continue my education in pharmacy or go into medical technology."

Dung finds her biggest problem is the medical terminology. "In America I can hear a word such as antibiotic and not know what it means until I am shown. I am used to the French terms," explains Dung.

Khai said that he first realized that he should leave Vietnam when the communist regime moved in. "I decided to come to America where there was freedom," he said.

Doan Long, the third member of the family said, his family fled to the United States to avoid communism.

Long both criticized and defended the United States Government for the role it played in the Vietnam conflict. He said, "The United States should have given more ammunition to the South Vietnamese before the war. But I also believe the United States did everything in its power to help South Vietnam toward the end of the war."

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Long said, "Last summer I practiced at the Institution of Vietnam in Statistics and I have attended three years at Saigon University, Faculty of Business and Economics."

He would have graduated this year in Saigon University, however he has plans to continue his education in Iowa.

"I would like to study about the accounting field more, or business administration, but at the present time I have been working part time in Perry as an accountant. All three live in

Perry and prefer it to the bigger towns they have seen. Dung explains, "Des Moines is too noisy!"

Sponsored by the Methodist Church in Perry, they all agree that they find the United States and Iowa exciting. Khai adds, "The nicest thing is that the people in Iowa have been very nice and helpful toward us."

Khai said, "The only thing I can think that I don't like about Iowa is the cold weather. However, I am also very anxious to see snow. What is snow? I want to find out."

An American household item that intrigues them is the washing machine. Long explains, "In Vietnam the washing is usually done by hand. Only the American servicemen use machines."

The three agree that so far the English language has been their only major problem, but Khai boasts, "We have been working hard on the language every day. We are looking forward to our life here."

Kegger to be held

Student Senate will sponsor a free kegger offered to all DMACC students, staff and faculty, Monday, December 22 at the Totem Pole Lounge on East 14th and Euclid.

The kegger begins at 8 p.m. and lasts until 1 a.m. Those attending must present the DMACC student I.D. card.

Music by "Schli-Betty," rock band and food will also be furnished.

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EIGHT students won turkeys during the pre-Thanksgiving Turkey Chase, Nov. 19.

MAP Inflation hits Christmas

A column by Martha Perry

... Bing Crosby singing about his "White Christmas." Due to inflation, I'm dreaming of a "green" one. The price of everything is up these days. I've heard that even good old St. Nick has had to tighten his belt this year.

I just got a Christmas card in the mail yesterday. Attached to it was an overdue bill from my dentist. I'm beginning to think that the little girl who wished for her two front teeth was really a pretty smart kid.

Just in case you're in the market for a gift for that little rich boy who has everything, I may have the answer. I saw one in the paper for a 1/2 scale model

of a Mercedes Benz. It was sale priced at only \$149.

Come to think of it, some big boys might like it too. That's as close as many of them will ever get to the real thing. Of course, there are always exceptions. If you have HIS phone number, please let me know right away.

I've heard stories about what Christmas was like in the "good old days." That was when you went out and cut down your own Christmas tree. It was decorated with garlands of strung popcorn and cranberries. Then there were those beautiful figurines meticulously hand-crafted. On the top of the tree was placed a shiny tinsel star that had been passed down from

one generation to the next. Decorating the tree was done by the soothing sounds of Christmas carols and logs crackling in the fireplace.

I really do love Christmas. More than that I love the spirit of Christmas. That's when someone steps on your toes and YOU say, "Pardon me...oh, and have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!" Since I probably won't meet that guy with the Mercedes before Christmas, I have decided to economize. Here is my list of presents that won't cost anything to give away:

1. A warm smile
2. A helping hand
3. A kind word
4. A pat on someone's shoulder
5. A concerned look
6. A twinkle in the eye
7. A merry ho! ho! ho!

I've saved the best one for last. It's something that can be earned, given, or taken away, but never bought. The word is love. I hope YOU give yours away this Christmas.

Can it be true that the best things in life really are free?

"But I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight, A LOVING Christmas to all and to all a good night!"

Linda Noon resigns post

Diane Bidwell, vice president announced that Linda Noon has resigned as Treasurer at December 18 meeting. Applications for the position will be taken up to January 15.

Danny Dunn was appointed as temporary Treasurer until Senate approves someone for the position.

The Art Club, First Year Nursing Club and Respiratory Club constitutions were submitted by the Constitution Committee to be approved by the Senate and they passed.

The Budget Committee recommended that first year nursing and OEA Clubs receive \$125.00 each to supplement their funds. Both recommendations were passed.

Also, Kraig Snodgrass and Linda Green were appointed to the Review Board Committee.

Other business covered reports from the Bookstore Committee, Institutional Planning Committee and Advisory Committee. The

committees mainly told what they had accomplished and are planning in January.

Diane Bidwell, emphasized that attendance will be taken for the rest of the meetings and anyone missing the meetings will be kicked out.

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Udall's daughter speaks

Bambie Udall, daughter of presidential candidate Morris Udall, spoke to the Students for a Democratic Action (SDA) December 18.

Ms. Udall said that Iowa will be extremely important this year because it will be the first state to hold Democratic precinct caucuses on January 19. She said the caucuses are really "grass roots" where one vote really does make a difference.

She said that anyone who is 18 years old by November 2, 1976 will be eligible to

vote in the precinct caucuses. She said a person did not need to be a registered Democrat in order to attend the precinct caucuses, providing they are not registered with another party.

Morris Udall has been in office for 14 years. He is currently a member of the United States House of Representatives from Arizona. According to Udall, her father is the only congressman currently running for the Democratic presidential nomination.

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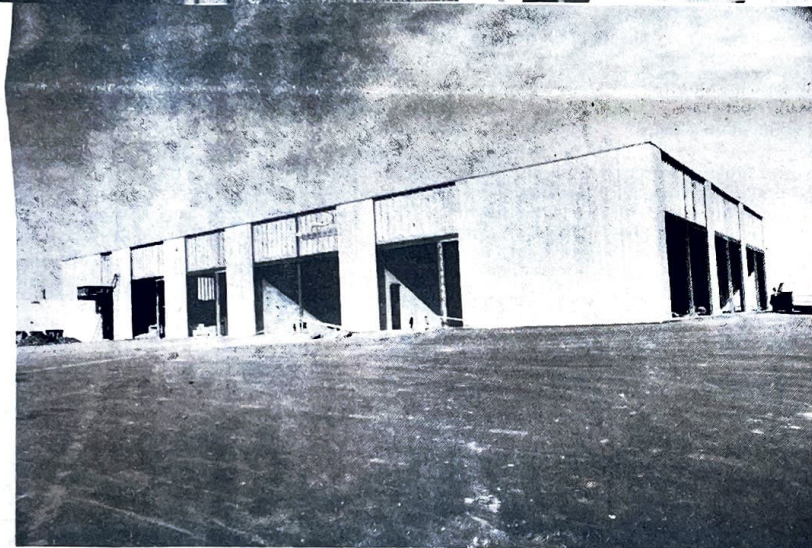
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Campus Scenes



CUSTODIAN staff recently installed new handrails outside of Building 24 to prevent accidents.

SENIOR citizens entertained with their kitchen band during show in the auditorium.

WORKMEN continued construction on the new building to house Plant Services. Officials plan to start using the building in January.



STUDENTS danced, socialized at the Totem Pole Lounge during Senate sponsored college night.

MIKE Dunbar and his band performed Dec. 10-11 in the Cafeteria. Student Activities sponsored the group.



URBAN classes are presently being held at Fifth and College Street in Des Moines.

Activity fees maybe unfair for students

By Elaine Jordan

Do Urban Campus (U.C.) students receive a fair return for their activity fee?

Diane Bidwell, president of the U.C. Activities Committee, thinks Ankeny students have more opportunities to attend better activities than U.C. students.

Until last year Ankeny and U.C. activity fees were combined in the same budget, and activities were concentrated on the Ankeny campus.

Last year, the Student

Senate allocated \$2,000 specifically for U.C. activities. The current budget allocates \$2,500.

Part of the problem, said Bidwell, is that U.C. students work during the day and attend classes at night. This makes it difficult to schedule activities, and attendance is poor.

Recently, the U.C. Student Activities Committee met with the student body to work out scheduling problems, and gain more student input on activity expenditures.

Another problem, said Bidwell, is that U.C. lacks adequate auditorium facilities necessary for films and speakers.

A bed sheet is being used

for a movie screen because a real screen hasn't been purchased. She said the auditorium's acoustics are inadequate and the seats are too small for adult students.

The U.C. building is the old Sabin elementary school and the seats were originally designed for children.

Despite these shortcomings, the activities committee has made plans for a film festival, picnics in the spring and skating parties.

Bidwell believes that U.C. students should continue paying activity fees because activities are the only chance for recreation. She also thinks activities promote student unity.

Drama Club to hold elections

By Jeff Kautz

U.C.'s drama club will hold elections of officers Jan. 5.

All members are eligible to vote, and anyone with a paid student activities card is eligible for nomination.

Edison Burrell incumbent president will not be running for re-election.

"We like to have new members just come in", said Burrell.

The drama club is open to students from the Ankeny campus.

"It's been tough going trying to get it started this year, said Burrell, but alot of enthusiasm has been shown."

No experience is needed to join the club.

Bookstore moves

Urban Campus bookstore has a new location and new hours of operation.

The bookstore is located on the third floor, and is open from 4 - 8 p.m.

The bookstore also sells a variety of chips, cookies, candy and soft drinks.

Careers exploration center moves to Urban Campus

By Stuart Cohen

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) has requested the Career Exploration Center (CEC) be moved to the Urban Campus.

Vince Boozell, director of CEC says "mainly the idea is to provide more service to more people." It helps people make a career choice through counseling, work sampling and interaction with professional men." Students spend two or three weeks with us and then move into the career that they feel they are best suited for. We have served more than 5,000 people since we started in 1970.

Dennis Krehbiel, dean of special services says there were two reasons for the move. "First, space is needed in building 21 for a new training course and second, CEC can better serve disadvantaged students at the Urban

Campus.

Both Krehbiel and Boozell are optimistic about the future of CEC, but as Boozell points out there are some disadvantages. "The older building may cause us some inconvenience. We're mostly concerned about losing people in Ankeny. We would like to be in both places at once, but that isn't feasible."

Zack Hamlett, dean of the Urban Campus views the move as being very positive. He believes "CEC will be able to better serve more people within the Des Moines area. It will also allow us to provide better services for the people at Urban Campus.

Hamlett is not worried about the loss of Ankeny people utilizing CEC. He is of the opinion that "The geographic location has nothing to do with use, people from Ankeny can still utilize the facility."

Hamlett sees continued growth for Urban Campus

By Jeff Kautz

"I think it's time for the Ankeny Campus to make a definite financial commitment to the Urban Campus," said Zack Hamlett director of the Urban Campus. Our program started in 1972 as an experiment, and has grown every quarter.

Hamlett thinks many of the goals of the Urban Campus are tied directly to obtaining a new building. "A larger facility is essential for a more comprehensive program," he said.

When asked about the location of a new building, Hamlett said "the first I heard of the proposed 10 acre site on the east side of Des Moines was when I read it in the Des Moines Register."

Personally I don't think the east side would be the best location for the campus, but I would be happy to see any new facility wherever it is. I believe the best location for the campus would be near the freeway, for easy access, in the downtown area.

Being near the inner city is important, we must remain accessible to our students. Hamlett said "the community is very positive about the present campus."

Right now we are basically an Arts and Science center, with only one vocational offering, brick masonry. We also graduate a very high number of General Education Development students, and have a very good adult education program.

Presently there are 468 students attending classes at the campus. The building used now is an old elementary school, which is filled to capacity.

"We need a day care facility for children, and I would like to see a better library and a cafeteria for the students," said Hamlett.

We cater to a different group here at the center, our students are a little older, and there is a better ethnic mix, which I feel is important in the learning process.

We offer courses here that are not available at Ankeny. We have a better selection of cultural courses. We also offer adapter programs for students who need to increase their skills before entering the college. We offer more individual help at the center. "I feel our standards are very high" said Hamlett.

Urban Campus Security

By Linda Green

DMACC Urban Campus has security around the clock according to U.C. Dean Zack Hamlett. During day class periods, security is provided by staff and instructors. During the early evening by Allied International Inc., and during the late night and early morning by the college's own security.

Despite the security

precautions, Hamlett conceded there are "occasional thefts."

In the past, U.C. has maintained several vending machines, but these have been removed because of vandalism and thefts. Hamlett added, the machines will be reinstated in the future.

Students who need any

assistance with stalled cars at the campus must call a private garage, Hamlett said. Thefts must be reported to a law enforcement agency rather than the college or Allied International.

The uniformed guards are not armed, according to Hamlett, other than a nightstick or mace, which are optional. Only one guard is used at a time on the campus. The guard is constantly roving the campus, with no set pattern.

One problem the U.C. doesn't have is enforcement of parking regulations. The campus has only two parking lots, with parking on a first come first serve basis.



DIANE Bidwell believes that the library at the Urban Campus is inadequate.

Females find male vocations challenging

By Elaine Jordan

Five years ago, one could visit classes in building trades, architectural drafting, and electronics and see all male faces.

It's not that way today. And instead of coeds asking why they are in the programs, they retort—"Why not?"

Male occupations pay more, are more challenging and offer

more advancement than more traditional feminine professions

Obviously, working in a man's world is not all that easy.

Debbie Droze, Building Trades student, said the officials from the Carpenter's Union told her some women have been harassed by men on the job. But she considers this a minor problem.

Ms. Droze said her family and friends support her decision to work as a carpenter, and that the reaction of Union officials was the only negative thing she has encountered thus far.

Her Building Trades instructor, Duane Van Hemert, said that "heavy lifting might be a problem (in

construction work) but this could affect a man with a slight build as well as a woman."

Diane Davenport, Architectural Drafting student and Machine Drafting Work-study student, said she is treated "just like any other student" by her male classmates and instructors.

"A woman's attitude affects how she is treated in the classroom and how well she will do in the course," said Bob Anderson, Machine Drafting instructor.

"If she is there just to attract attention, she won't last long," said Anderson.

Kathy Sidles, Electronics student, said she doesn't anticipate any problems getting a job in electronics. When she graduates, she will be the only woman to have completed the electronics course on this campus.

Tom Dunsmore, Electronics instructor, said larger companies can't afford to discriminate against women because of increased enforcement of federal legislation.

"After a woman gets a job in a predominately male occupation," said Roy Berger, Architectural Drafting instructor, "she may have to work harder than her male colleagues to prove herself and to get promoted."

Prior to enrolling in male training programs, the three women students said the primary disadvantage they face is practical experience.

"Women aren't encouraged to take heavy construction or factory work. Nor do many women work on

cars, radios, or building projects with their fathers or friends," said Ms. Sidles.

In the past, the three said that certain high school subjects were closed to women.

Ms. Droze said she enrolled in a high school woodworking course, but was placed in Home Economics instead.

Ms. Davenport said she was the only girl in her high school mechanical drafting class, but she was told she couldn't enroll in an auto mechanics class unless she got together enough female students to open a separate class for women.

If trends continue, more females on DMACC campus will be enrolling in more male-dominated courses. And as Van Hemert said, he would like to see more women in his program because "the few I have taught have done quality work."



KATHY Sidles, electronics student, is the only female in the DMACC Electronics program.



DEBBIE Droze, building, said the only harassment she has encountered has been from Union officials.

Bookstore adds section

By Beth Petterson

Plants, mood rings, and a new section devoted to general reading for both adults and children can be found in Ankeny bookstore.

Yet Joe Morr, knowledge Knook bookstore manager believes additional space is needed. "We got 200 additional square feet

with the new expansion, but as the college grows the bookstore must also grow. We cannot accommodate students in the same old country store."

The bookstore works on

Senate offers logo contest

The Student Senate is sponsoring a logo contest.

A \$25 savings bond will be awarded for the sketch and motto that best represents the DMACC student body. All drawings must be

a no-profit basis. Money from book sales is used for various campus projects.

Ten to fifteen thousand dollars is used each year for the student emergency loan fund.

submitted to the Student Senate office by Jan. 6, 1976.

The entries will be judged by the Inter-campus Communications Committee.

Results will be posted Jan. 18.

Club elects new officers

By Tedd Shirley

The Ankeny Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA), held fall quarter elections of officers. The officers elected for one year terms were: President, David Hade, Vice-President, Sid Toering, Secretary, Jo Oliver, Parliamentarian, David Denbeste, Treasurer, Cathy Warren and Jan Pickett was elected Recorder.

The Student Advisor is Tim Anderson, and the Faculty Sponsor is Delores Johnson.

Unity of students in Trade & Industrial occupations and leadership development are primary purposes of the Club.

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Revises news staff

A revision in Eclectic staff personnel has recently been approved by the Board of Student Communications, upon request of Editor, Julie Rutz.

Positions approved are: Managing Editor, Lynn Harvey, News Editor, Jeff Kautz, Features Editor, Elaine Jordan, Business Manager, Chuck Wall,

Photography Manager, Don Peitzman and art Art Editor, Steve Eckhard

Newly created positions include: Advertising Manager, Linda Green, Operations Assistant, Nan Kelley and Distributor, Tim Woods. Greg Swennumson is serving as temporary Expressions Editor, pending approval from the Board.

Student activities reports articles lost

Following is a list of the articles that were reported lost to the Student Activities office:

Green and white steno notebook, Ladies timex watch with a black band,

Set of keys with a leather strawberry attached, Ladies silver watch and a Physical Science book

Report to Student Activities, Bldg. 3, room 323A to claim or report lost and found articles,



fear is a

by Marilyn Soderstrom

word we all know the meaning of and have at least once in our lives experienced. Whether it was seeing a Frankenstein mask on halloween for the first time or making an important decision about our future. The same feelings of anxiety, consternation, apprehension, worry or terror were there. How often though, could we have easily eliminated these fears? I was very impressed with the interpretation that "fear is ignorance." Jacques Costeau was on television giving a dissertation on his study of sharks. His film showed him and his assistants in direct contact with sharks. They were tagging them, feeding them and showing how they respond to different environmental factors. After the film had been seen, he was asked how he mustered the courage to surround himself with the sharks. His reply was that fear is ignorance and the film was made after two long years of studying the behaviour of sharks. He knew what he was doing and what to expect. In my book, he still deserves a badge of courage, but I believe there is something about his philosophy of fear that can be beneficial to all of us at all stages of our lives.

I remember as a child when I expressed a fear, the initial response of my parents was to shelter me. Since I come from a large family, there always was someone there to watch over me—to stand between me and my fear. After almost drowning twice, I was told to stay in shallow water and have someone supervising at all times. There was no mention of swimming lessons to teach me how to swim; I was only taught to fear deep water. When an exhibitionist exposed himself to me, I was told not to walk the streets alone and beware of strange men. There was no mention of why some people have this compulsion and that they are usually harmless. Perhaps if some of my childhood fears had been handled differently I would be a stronger person today.

How to handle my children's fears, therefore, used to be of great concern to me. I felt for them, I wanted to hold them and protect them; but I have found that at this stage of their life it's much easier and much healthier to explain away the fear than to avoid or ignore it. A simple explanation of what causes thunder and lightening, for example, will in the long run eliminate the fear; where letting them huddle in my bed everytime it rains will only prolong the fear. This may sound trite, but to them the pain of fear is real; and I, as a parent, can't help but be affected.

As adults, we are surrounded by fear and people with fears. On a community level, for instance, we can't just buy a gun to protect ourselves from thieving drug addicts. We have to go further to understand the problem of drug addiction, and then do what we can to improve that situation. On a person to person level, maybe your friend's knowledge will help you conquer your fear. Face it, talk about it, learn about it and then if there's a decision to be made, base it on what you know add your knowledge, and not on what you don't know. We never outgrow our susceptibility to fear so next time you hesitate because of a twinge of fear remember Jacques Costeau's words of wisdom: Fear is ignorance. Just in case, however, you should also remember that the guy holding the gun is always right—as long as he has the gun anyway!

EXPRESSIONS

In this issue of the paper, we have broken tradition by deciding to include more than just poems in the Expression section. In fact since we feel that students should have a place to show off their talents, we have decided to print just about anything you bring us—within reason. So if you have any short stories, papers, photographs, sketches, cartoons, jokes, and of course, poems, that you would like to see in print, please bring them to us at the office in Bldg. 24. After all, it's your paper.

*He looks inside,
the minds of man,
ignoring appearance—
so few of us can.*

*He has lost his eyes,
but he can still see,
the innermost feelings
that are inside of me.*

*Look inside—
for you may find
a beautiful person,
with a beautiful mind.*

Brenda Baebler



INSANITY?

What is normal behavior? Oh, how I hate the word normal. It is an onomatopoeia word. Listen. NO-R-MAL. It rings in my head. It doesn't sound right, it sounds unreal-normal, normal, normal, normal normal.

Normal is: snow in winter, apple pie, a loving mother, leaves on trees, red-white-and-blue, and chickens laying eggs. These are normal.

You and I are normal, but are we sane? Sanity, now, there is a word. It flows right through your ears and into a soft place in your mind with a comfortable feeling.

Insanity. Insanity doesn't flow, it rushes through your ears and bounces around in your mind. Fear grows as it careens down your throat falling heavily in your stomach. It rolls around and you think of Pepto-Bismol. Pepto-Bismol, my god! It can't be, maybe it was that taco I had for lunch.

Insanity is for crazy people, not me. Oh no, not me. I'm sane. I don't hallucinate. I don't hear voices or talkcrazy. "They" talk crazy, the insane, and are locked up (that's why). I'm not locked up. I've got indigestion, maybe, but insanity?

Insanity isn't contagious, is it? I mean you can't catch it from a toilet seat, can you? I do own a white jacket and have carpet on the walls of my apartment, but I like carpet. I like apple pie, and my mother loved me. It even snows in the winter here. There is nothing wrong with me.

You! Yes, you, the one looking at me like that. I know what you're thinking. Don't try and put the finger on me. You just keep your hands to yourself. I know who I am, I'm Jeff. I like red-white-and-blue, and my trees have leaves. You, I don't know if you've ever even seen a chicken laying eggs. Who the hell are you anyway?

What? What was that you said? Oh, doctor, excuse me, I wasn't listening. Yes, yes, the first thing that comes into my head. Uh, normal, yes, that's it. NORMAL...

by Jeff Kautz



Dear Santa--

Please bring me flaming space...

Dear Santa:

I have been a good little girl all year. Darn it! Anyway, I am writing this letter so I can cash it in for my Christmas present. I would like my Christmas present to be about 5 ft. 10 in. tall, 150 lbs., blond hair, wearing glasses, cute as a bug, and a chocolate chip cookie monster.

Oh yes, please make it a male. I promise I will never ask for another one again.

Love,
A DMACC Rabble Rouser

Dear Santa,
This Christmas it would be nice to break the tradition of receiving wouldn't it?

Therefore, I have decided to thank those that have given so much this year to the progress of this institution, DMACC.

Many people have spent several volunteer hours preparing posters, writing stories, delivering messages, typing minutes and other jobs which involve time that could be spent on homework.

This year, could you do me a favor please?

Could you fill all of their stockings with just the things they want and need? They deserve it, and there's no possible way I could ever thank them all.

Thanks,
An Observer

Dear Santa,
Why don't you make Winter go away? It's hell on us who try to keep our cars waxed, rear-ends jacked up and tires smiking, smoking. West First Street just isn't safe anymore. You know it's dangerous when the police smile as we go by, knowing if we get on it, they can pick up the pieces.

This Christmas why don't you take us out of

the dark ages with an indoor drag strip? Maybe you think we breathe too much carbon monoxide already, so ventilate the place.

As for myself, surprise me. Any accessories will do. I have an incurable desire for anything that's chromed.

Gearhead

Dear Santa-
My humble request.. please

Do not overlook in your more important items to deliver this Christmas Eve. I ask not much- only one small gift. I do not even care if you do not gift wrap it, as I know you have a busy schedule. just leave on my doorstep (Or in my bedroom, which

whichever) this Christmas ----- a MAN.

Agnes Smith
102 A Street
Righthere, Ia.

Dear Santa,
I'm writing you very late at night because no one my age writes to you during the day. By the way Santa, I don't want very much, so this should be easy for you to find.

Please bring an Encyclopedia of Liquid Ballast Charts, a political map of Equatorial Minnesota, and a 6 1/4 X 14" 2 color poster giving good grooming tips with percentage ratings for junior high students

Klaus Van Trap

Santa Claus in the stratosphere

Three weeks ago, after a long distance call to the Artic Circle, (you can't direct distance dial) we found Santa Claus would be landing at the Des Moines Airport

With hands full of cameras, note pads and Ronrico 151, a photographer and I began the vigil at 6:30 p.m. We waited for two hours, only leaving to get cokes. Returning from the fourth round, it seemed we had time for a nap, when the PA announced, "Charter flight from the North Pole now approaching the runway."

Straining to see the odd fellow in a sleigh with flying reindeer, we were bewildered when from out of the mist of the Northern

Lights, came Rudolph, the DC 10.

The plane taxied up the runway to the Gold Concourse. When the doors opened, sure enough, it was Santa bounding through the gate. We moved right in.

"Mr. Claus, Eclectic staff Could you tell us what's with the red, white and green plane?"

"You were expecting Air Force One, this is 1975! Quit flashing that

camera son," exclaimed Santa.

"Santa," I said, "Sit down, catch your breath and have some rum!"

"Never touch the stuff, got my own, Bulgarian Blue, uh, brandy that is."

"Tell us how this Christmas is shaping up."

Then, Santa, with a squemish look on his face said, "I'm in kind of a transitional period with the new flight schedule. We're shorthanded since eight of my elves got suckered up in the jets."

"Any other snags?"

"Well, I can forget the Middle East, the Arabs own the air space and Tel Aviv doesn't know I exist! Those Irishmen keep asking for Green Beret Advisors. Oh yes, the Soviets aren't celebrating Christmas this year either. They changed it to Henry Kissinger Day."

"How about gifts Santa? I'll bet kids are just crazy about pets."

"Kids are crazy anyway, pets have nothing to do with it. I can see my jet is ready so I better get ready to go." He then rose swiftly and shouted, "Half a league, half a league, half a league onward, into the valley of the shadow of Christmas!"

"Alfred 'Lord' Tennyson, hah Santa?"

"Alfred 'Lord' who? 'Bullsquash, that's me!'"

"Be good Santa."

"Who are you trying to kid, when I'm bad, I'm good good and when I'm good, I'm better!"

"Too much man, you're all right!"

By Chris Osher

Christmas Spirits

Smoking Chimney

3 oz. Wild Turkey
3 sprigs mint
1 tsp. sugar
crushed ice
dash of cold water

Retroactive Religion

3 oz. Christian Brothers
unflavored brandy
2 oz. Creme De Menthe
1 oz. Southern Comfort

December Destroyer

2 oz. rum, 2 oz. vodka
compliment with orange
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It's easy. Open the door, find a large snow bank, walk up to it and fill a nice, big ice bucket with nice, clean snow. (Use white snow only.) Take it back inside and pour a lot of Cuervo Gold Especial (nothing else will do) into it. See it turn yellow?

Put a straw in, get some friends, and sit around passing the bucket. Of course, if you live in the Mojave desert, just fill a single glass with a lot of crushed ice, add the Gold and make one Yellow Snow. Or, you could move.



VICTOR Marchetti spoke to students about CIA and clandestine activities, Dec. 11 in the Auditorium.

Marchetti: students get involved

By Martha Perry

Victor Marchetti, former CIA agent, urged students to work in primaries and become more politically involved in order to take back some governmental power in his talk on December 11 in the Media Center Auditorium. Marchetti appeared on campus through the Student Activities Lecture Committee. He said that a bill presently being considered in Congress would seriously limit personal freedom.

According to Marchetti, Senate Bill 1, originally started out as a rewrite of the criminal code.

He said that various changes have been added so that the government can declare anything as classified information without any formal procedure.

Under this bill, he said that any government employee who released classified information would be subject to from three years to life in prison or death. Any outsider using such information, such as an investigative reporter, would be subject to the same punishment.

Marchetti said that secrecy is a real problem with the government.

"Of all classified information, 99.5% shouldn't be classified or is over-classified," he said. Marchetti said the real reason for this is often just to keep the public ignorant.

Marchetti worked in the CIA for 14 years. He was considered to be the CIA's leading expert on Soviet military aid to countries

of the Third World.

He resigned from the CIA in 1969 due to "disenchantment and disagreement with many of the agency's policies."

In 1972, he was placed under a court order that stated he could not publish any material, either fact or fiction, without prior approval by the CIA. When the first draft of his book, "CIA and the Cult of Intelligence" was returned to him, 339 deletions had been made on the grounds of "national security." Later, some material was restored to the book and the CIA is appealing the result of the court decision.

According to Marchetti, the CIA has developed a secret charter which has never been approved by Congress or seen by the committee that is currently investigating the CIA.

Marchetti said he

Transcendental Meditation changes lives

A lady in Des Moines is so nervous she has not slept for three years without medication.

An Osteopathic medical student studies all the time, and it keeps him constantly tense.

Another woman says her marriage is a lion's den because her marriage is a "lion's den" because friction is eroding the relationship.

What do all these people have in common? Their lives are all adversely affected by stress.

The newest technique for conquering stress is transcendental meditation (TM).

Advocates of TM believe mind control enables people to relieve strain and concentrate on

developing their potential.

Transcendental meditation has been documented in over 400 experiments.

Through relief of stress and tension the human mind is allowed to function more easily. Also stress is known to be a primary factor in many illnesses such as mental illness, neuritis, and heart disease.

Thousands of people claim to have achieved healthier, more productive lives through transcendental meditation.

The International Meditation Society of Des Moines said one out of every 200 people in that city is currently meditating. These include professional people, housewives, senior citizens, children, and many students.

The girl's state champion swim team at Valley High School in West Des Moines uses TM.

He said that the CIA has spent time on such projects as trying to build an airplane that would fit into two suitcases and an experiment that involved filling a cat with batteries and water so it could serve as a "walking bug."

Marchetti said that presidential power must be limited by legislation. "Congress has got to place restrictions on the presidency and give themselves more responsibility and the will to enforce the legislation," he said.

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The medical student studied less and comprehended more after a week of practicing TM. The married woman is living a happier life together with her husband.

Lecture on campus

Want to know more about the technique of transcendental meditation? There will be an introductory lecture about TM in the Media Center Auditorium, Bldg. 24, at noon on Jan. 7.

Security aids students

Campus security personnel do more than ticket students for improper parking.

Part of their job is to help students in trouble, especially in the evenings when many of the buildings and parking lots are dark and deserted.

Students can call extension 321 and holler "Help!" An officer will be there to answer your call, whether it's for a dead car battery or protection from a potential mugger.

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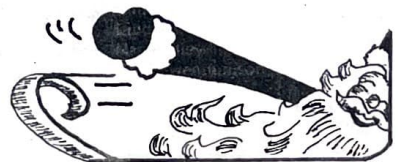
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