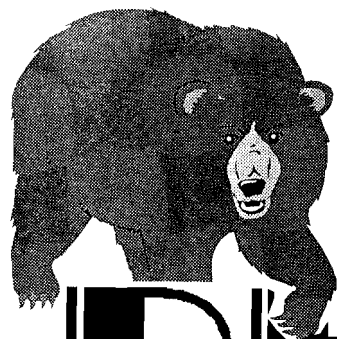


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OCTOBER 29, 1992

## Curtain Goes Up on *Guest Cottage*

By Linda Smith  
Staff Writer

Tonight is the night to see the play! This year's fall production is *Guest Cottage*, a comedy by William McCleery, directed by Kay Mueller.

The curtain will rise on DMACC's rendition of *Guest Cottage* at 8p.m. October 29 in the auditorium with repeat performances on October 30 and 31.

Find out for yourself what happens when boy meets girl; however, girl's wealthy father won't discuss the subject.

Tickets are \$2 for students and \$4 for the general public.

The cast includes:

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Ann Vander Martin--(Perry)  
Mrs. Badger  
Greg Hager--(Ogden)  
Senator Grimes



Dr. Beth Johnston--Part-Time Teacher

Part-time Teachers week celebrated October 19. Refreshments furnished by Boone Campus Teacher's Association.

## Seventy-nine Donors Give Blood

Tonnya Nolting, co-chair of DMACC Blood Drive, said, "The other nursing students and I would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to all the people who helped set up and do the work behind the scenes, as well as the blood donors."

There were 79 donors that showed up on October 12, 1992, with 62 pints being drawn. Twenty of the seventy-nine were first-time donors. The response was great from not only students, but teachers as well.

Nolting stated, "This blood drive was a good one, but we hope the next one is even better."



Cindy Cory gives blood.

## Debates Give Voters Choice

By Rose Zimmerle  
Staff Writer

The first of three presidential debates was held October 11 at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. One of the most important themes of the debate was the nation's economic woes. When asked how they would reduce the ballooning deficit, Perot stated, "We have so mismanaged our country over the years, it is now time to pay the fiddler. If we don't, we will

be spending our children's money."

Clinton's response to the question was, "We have a disciplined reduction in the deficit of 50% over the next four years. This approach offers the best hope to put America back to work and get our income rising, not falling."

Bush said, "I agree with what he's [Perot's] talking about in trying to get this spending down and the discipline, although I think we ought to totally exempt Social Security;

but he's talking tough medicine."

When asked about his impression of the debate, Kent Baker, DMACC student replied, "To tell the truth I don't think the debates bring out anything new. Both parties have a philosophy on how we should live our lives--you should be more inclined to vote on the different parties' philosophy, rather than the men they put forward to represent that philosophy."

## Don't Vote Scared

If you have seen the "anti" ERA commercials that have been airing in Iowa, then you know truth isn't a high priority. They are not based on any solid facts. For example, it has been said that if ERA is passed veterans will lose their benefits, homosexuals will be allowed to marry, and women will be forced into military combat. These are accusations that serve one purpose: to scare people into voting "NO." An educated vote cannot be made by the information that is literally being forced on T.V. viewers by the far right. Do you know what the ERA will do? It will simply change the wording of the Iowa Constitution to include women.

The proposed wording of the ERA for the Iowa Constitution is as follows: *All Men and Women are, by nature, free and equal, and have certain inalienable rights-- among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, acquiring, possessing and protecting property, and pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness. NEITHER THE STATE NOR ANY OF ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS SHALL, ON THE BASIS OF GENDER, DENY OR RESTRICT THE EQUALITY OF RIGHTS UNDER THE LAW.*

What kind of woman wouldn't want this for herself or her daughter?

## Confessions of The Old Codger



By The Old Codger  
Staff Writer

You know, it's really frustrating to come upon a conversation at the tail end. Well, this happened to me the other day. I was threading my way through the mass of writhing bodies in the hall trying to get to the second floor. Everybody was moving up the stairs at a snail's pace; You know, like their feet had fifty pound weights attached, when my ears caught the word "condom" wafting through the air.

It wasn't a loud waft, but a soft, low, waft. Anyway, my ears became radar antennas searching out the source of the word I was sure I had heard. Lo and behold, it had come from a very attractive young lady just ahead of me; and what a head! So, I elbowed my way closer to eavesdrop on this tantalizing conversation and only caught the tail (pardon the expression) end of what was being said.

not to mention a down right dirty old man, I proceeded to investigate this phenomenon (There's a heck of a word to link with the word "condom"). I was out to prove her wrong!

Thinking I had perhaps missed seeing a dispensing machine in the student's lounge, I went there . . . Nope. Next, I marched, brave as you please, into the den of iniquity, the smoking lounge . . . Nope. I then went to the offices, then to the auditorium, the janitor's area, the library, the back rooms where some of the featured speakers eat lunch; I even gained access to the Sanctum Sanctorum that has the push-button combination lock on it . . .

Nope, none there either!

No where on this campus could I find anything resembling a condom or even a machine for dispensing them (at a nominal price, of course). But, I haven't given up! Not by a darn sight will I give up my quest for the hidden location of those things!

I have a plan of attack all laid (pardon the expression) out. First, I'm gonna try to locate that attractive head again . . .

I'll keep my ears peeled. I'll

The gist of it was that there weren't any condoms available anywhere around our campus. Now, you can imagine my surprise! I hadn't ever noticed that there weren't any of those things available anywhere on campus before. So, being the person of curiosity that I am; force myself to be mauled and pummeled by the maddening crowd between meetings until I find her! In the mean time, I won't give up my search for the place where you can obtain one of those things . . . those condoms around here.

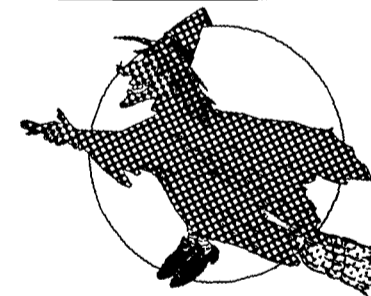
I've said it before and I'll say it again . . . What this country needs is a chicken in every pot, a good five-cent cigar, Timothy Leary singing "We all gotta get stoned," and somebody to tell me where they've hidden the condom machine!



Don't vote and you surrender your choice to someone else!

by The Old Codger

## DO YOU FEEL HALLOWEEN SHOULD BE CELEBRATED IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS? WHY OR WHY NOT?



Text and Photos  
by Duanna Vinchattle



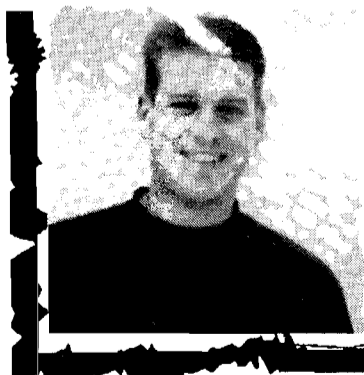
Donna Sloss  
Student and Mother of 2

"I don't really see the harm in it. Sometimes they go a little overboard. The kids seem to enjoy it; if they can make a learning experience from it, it would be better."



Linda Smith  
Student and Mother of 3

"I feel the parties should be left in school. I don't think many elementary kids are Satanists. They just want the goodies."



Russ Jones  
Intramurals Director

"I feel if they're going to celebrate one holiday, they should celebrate all of them. However, I feel the meanings of holidays have been lost over the years."



John Herz  
Student

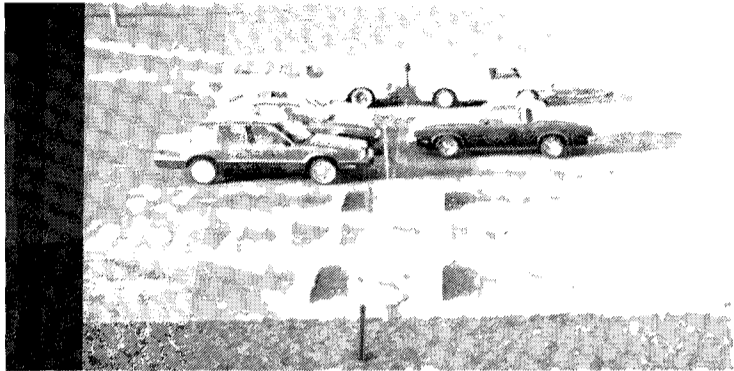
"Yes, I always had fun."



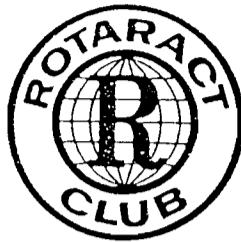
Kelli Temple  
Student

"Yes, because it gives kids a chance to dress up and have fun. The kids are not thinking about bad things."

## Handicapped Parking Awareness



Please take note of the following: In an effort to make our handicap parking van accessible, No Parking spaces have been added to create wheelchair lift space. These spaces are not additional parking spaces. Please be courteous of our physically challenged students, staff, and visitors, and don't park in these spaces. We know that this space is tempting to park in for a short while, but new guidelines require the extra space for unloading wheelchairs.



By Dale Butterfield  
Rotaract Reporter

Some of you may or may not have noticed a name popping up quite frequently on the bulletin boards around school. This name is Rotaract. Rotaract is the student version of the International Club of Rotary, which is known for offering students scholarships and for its involvement in communities all over the world.

Rotaract of Boone DMACC is also involved in the community, as well as, the school and is even offering a scholarship for the spring semester. Some of the activities Rotaract has planned for the next few months include: A bake sale on October 30, in which the money goes for scholarships; Roller-skating with the residents of the River Valley Care Facility; assisting the Nursing Department with the Great American Smoke-out; helping the Boone Community Action Center Food Pantry in packing food for distribution on Thanksgiving Day and many more ideas projected for the future.



Rotaract begins new year.

The officers for Rotaract are:  
President-- Dan O'Lena  
Vice President-- Stephanie Snyder  
Secretary-- Patty Meschler  
Treasurer-- Heather Stansberry  
Publicity-- Dale Butterfield  
Historian-- Harriet Simmons



### RAMBLING ROSE

You get up in the morning, the alarm clock buzzing in your ear, and stumble to the bathroom. One glance in the mirror and you know it will be one of those days. Yes, what everyone fears--A BAD HAIR DAY! Maybe there's hope, after all you haven't taken your shower yet. First you shampoo, working up a rich, luxurious lather, rinse, lather again, rinse again, condition, towel dry, mousse, blow-dry, then curl. Yeah, that will work, your hair will be great! Wait a minute, the curling iron is too cool...no, now it's too hot...why is that hunk of hair just hanging there like so much straw? It won't work! There is nowhere to turn. You look like the evil twin of the scarecrow in *The Wizard of Oz!* Children run, screaming, from you. Friends turn away. Even family pretend not to notice you. The only thing to do is go home and hide under the bed. Wait until tomorrow. After all, "Tomorrow is another day."

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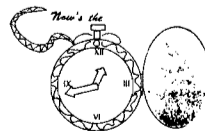
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Text and Photos  
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## ROLLER

Forty students and five staff members enjoyed rollerblading on October 12. The idea for rollerblading came from Russ Jones, intramural director at DMACC, Boone Campus.

Jones said, "I was pleased with the turnout, and I hope this can help bring about more involvement with intramurals and recreation. We would like ideas from students, especially the non-traditional and commuters." Photos Clock wise from Top left: Russ Jones; Richard Korkki, Christie Ahrens, and Russ Jones; Vivian Brandineyer; Wilf Wilson, Karla Swanson, Corey Koskie, Brad Summy, and Sandie Krause.

## BLADING



# DMACC Teachers Second to None

By Staff Writer  
Penni Kuhl

In 1973 a high school counselor advised me to avoid community colleges as they attracted the dregs of the teaching profession. While this advice may or may not have been valid then, nearly two decades later it is patently false.

Today most of the faculty employed by DMACC have Masters degrees or better. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the recent accomplishments of three of these educators.

Twelve years ago, Cindy Cory was one of the first teachers hired by DMACC when the nursing program was initially instituted at Boone. When she joined the DMACC staff she already had ten years of nursing experience and a great passion for teaching. "Whether it's teaching a patient to use crutches or a student in class, teaching is my life."

In 1989 the job description for the teaching department was upgraded and Cindy found she needed to get her Masters, within five years, in order to continue doing what she loved. She accomplished this through a unique graduate program at Bishop Clarkson College, in Omaha, Nebraska. Classes were held one weekend a month and barring occasional seminars, the majority of the course work was done on a home-study basis. It took Cindy two years to go through this program and finally, this fall, acquire her Masters in Nursing.



Cindy Cory

Another noteworthy instructor on this campus is Nancy Woods. This ambitious lady has recently earned her second Masters. Her first was in High Energy Particle Physics, her latest, a Masters in Mathematics.

Nancy has taught at Iowa State University, the University of Nebraska, and for the last five years, here at DMACC. She finds teaching at a smaller college challenging. "There is more diversity in teaching a variety of classes to small groups than in teaching eight sections of the same class at a larger university. I feel I'm

reaching more people."

While Nancy's second Masters may eventually improve her financial position, she mainly did it just for the challenge and is planning to go on for a PHD in Education. In addition to carrying a full teaching schedule in Math and Physics, and pursuing her own education, Nancy has also published two physics manuals.



Nancy Woods

Finally, kudos to Mel Holthus for passing the CPA exam (Certified Public Accountant). The CPA exam is a difficult four-part test that only 2% of the test-takers pass, in whole, the first time. There is a three year window in which all four sections must be conquered, which Mel easily accomplished, with no supplementary education.



Mel Holthus  
with Brad Summy

Mel has been in the teaching profession for twenty years, starting as a high school teacher in Guam. He has also taught high school in Colorado, at Iowa State University, for the University of Maryland (in Belgium), and has been with DMACC twelve years in total.

A CPA license is not a job requirement for teachers so why bother? "Just for the personal satisfaction and even though I can retire in another decade I'm also considering going on for a Doctorate. Some people think I'm crazy, but it's just for myself."

Convincing arguments can be made for the advantages and disadvantages of two- versus four-year colleges, but if these three individuals are any indication of the caliber of DMACC's teaching staff, we as students should consider ourselves fortunate. As Dean Philips commented, "I feel the quality and dedication of the teachers here at DMACC are second to none."

## BRIEFS



REZOOMERS will meet Wednesday, November 4 in the Library Conference Room from 11:30-1:00pm.



A craft fair and bake sale will be held November 14 from 9:00-3:00p.m. at the Heartland Health Center. Admission is 25 cents. Call 432-5925 for more information.



ISU  
representative

The ISU representative will be on campus November 12 from 9:00-1:00. Contact Richard Finnestad to make an appointment.



Bear Facts and Rotaract will be recording results from the presidential election and calling them into the National Election Service, which feeds into ABC, CBS, NBC, and CNN for Boone County on November 3.



In the campus theater on November 18 at 10:00 a.m., Dr. Jan Dale, noted psychologist will discuss suicide prevention, myths about suicide, approaches to prevention, noticing clues, etc. He will also make himself available for questions and personal visits.

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## 45 Sit for Exam

Connie Booth and Lou Blanchfield, along with 48-second level nursing students from DMACC-Boone recently attended the National Associate Degree Nursing Convention in Des Moines. Dates of the convention were October 22 and 23. The theme for the convention was "Expanding ADN Leadership into the 21st Century: 40 Years of Caring." Seven hundred twenty-nine members and guests were present for part or all of the convention.

Forty-five second level students sat for the NCLEX-PN, National LPN licensing exam, on October 21 in Des Moines.

## Rock 'Til You Drop

by Brad Gutz  
Staff Writer

There are three major concerts coming our way in the next few weeks: KISS, Ozzy Osborne, and Bruce Springsteen.

The legendary KISS will be at Hilton Coliseum on November 14 on their Revenge tour. Opening for KISS will be the bands Faster Pussycat and Trixter. Presently 11,000 tickets have been sold, so seats are still available. Other midwest KISS dates include Knoxville, Tennessee on November 7, The Five Seasons Center on November 15, and St. Paul Minnesota on December 5. Tickets are \$18.25 each.

Ozzy Osborne will be at Veterans Memorial Auditorium on his NO More Tears tour on October 30. Opening for Ozzy will be the Seattle band Alice In Chains. Roughly 8,000 tickets have been sold and tickets are still available. The only other Midwest date at this time is in Knoxville, Tennessee, on October 25. Tickets are \$21.00 each.

For those fans not so much into heavy metal, Bruce Springsteen will be at Hilton Coliseum on October 30. Approximately 11,000 tickets have been sold and seats are still available. Another Springsteen concert date is at the Target Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Tickets are \$25.25 each.

## Kuhl Published in *Skunk River Review*



By Stephanie Snyder &  
DMACC Staff Writers

"I didn't know I could write until I took composition with Jan [LaVille]." Penni Kuhl was recently published in the September 1992 issue of *Skunk River Review* in which she writes about her first hunting expedition, "In the grey misty light I could just make out the barren trees, the snow laden shrubs, the sagging fences and the stubby cornstalks standing lonely in the field. A deadly quiet enveloped the area. All I could hear was my own shallow breathing and the crunch of dirt-colored leaves under my feet." She says, "I haven't got a deer yet, but I have my license for December. I have shot turkey, though, which upsets my husband because he's never gotten one!"

Kuhl's story continues, "I wondered if I would see a deer, if it would come close enough, and most importantly, if it did come near, would I be able to pull the trigger? Could I watch something as wondrous as a deer die by my hand?"

Kuhl went to college right after high school and hated it! A recent injury has sent her back to school, and Kuhl says, "If I had the money I'd be a student for the rest of my life!"

She is an accounting major at DMACC and enjoys journalism to give her a break. Reading, a passion of Kuhl's, is where she gets her extensive vocabulary, which helps her in her writing. "I do it [writing] in the shower, washing dishes, and driving my car. You know, during the times when I'm not doing anything but 'no-brain' work!"



Student Action Board members this year are seated Brad Summy; Duanna Vinchattle, President; Carrie Ohlendorf, Treasurer; Gary Dose Chad West; Stephanie Snyder, Secretary; Chad McDonald, Vice President.

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## Debates Gives Choice...

### SECOND DEBATE

The second presidential debate, October 15, held in Richmond, Va. at the University of Richmond, contained a precedent-setting format. An independent polling firm randomly selected an audience made up of uncommitted voters in the Richmond area. When asked if they [the candidates] attribute the rising cost of health care to the medical profession, and what, specifically, would they do to tackle this problem, Clinton responded, "We spend 30% more of our income, more than any nation on earth, on health care, and yet we insure fewer people. We have 35 million without any insurance at all--100,000 Americans a month have lost their health insurance in just the last four years...We have to have a drastic simplification of the basic health care insurance policies in this country."

Bush stated, "My program is this--keep the government as far out of it as possible, make insurance available to the poorest of the poor through vouchers and get on about the business of pooling insurance..."

Perot remarked, "We have the most expensive health care system in the world, 12% of our Gross National Profit goes to health care...There are all kinds of good ideas...on health care, none of them ever gets implemented. You've got to completely reform our government and at that point that'll be just like apples falling from a tree. The programs will be good because the elected officials will be listening to you."

Clinton added, "A bipartisan commission reviewed my plan and the Bush plan, Republicans and Democrats, and concluded that my plan covered everybody and that his plan would leave 27 million behind by the year 2000. That my plan, in the next 12 years, would save \$2.2 trillion in public and private money to reinvest in this economy and the average family would save \$1200 a year under the plan that I offered, without any erosion in the quality of health care."

Carrie Ohlendorf, a student at DMACC, stated, "I really like what Perot has to say, but I feel I would be wasting my vote if I voted for him. President Bush seemed very out of touch in his response to the questions."

### THIRD DEBATE

The third, and final, debate was on October 19 at Michigan State University located in East Lansing, Michigan.

The question about raising taxes received the most spirited responses from the candidates. Clinton said, "My plan says that we want to raise marginal income on family income above \$200,000 from 31% to 36%. That we want to ask foreign corporations to pay the same percentage of taxes on their incomes that American corporations pay in America...I will not raise taxes on the middle-class to pay for these programs, if the money does not come in to pay for these programs, we will cut other government spending, or we will slow down the phase-in of the programs."

Bush responded, "To get \$150 billion in new taxes you've got to go down to the guy who's making \$36,600, and if you want to pay for the rest of his plan, all other spending programs, you're gonna sock it to the working man...Yes we're having a tough time, but we do not want to go back to the time when we had a Democratic president and a spend-thrift Democratic Congress. It worries me...that he would do to the United States what he's done to

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Arkansas. We are not a nation in decline, we are a nation on the rise."

Clinton jumped in, "I have got to defend the honor of my state--we rank first in the country in job growth, we've got the lowest spending state and local government in the country, and the second lowest tax burden; the difference between Arkansas and the United States is that Arkansas is going in the right direction and this country is going in the wrong direction."

Perot stated, "What we need is people to stop talking and start doing. A real problem here is they both have plans that will not work...you go out 4-5-6 years and we're still drifting along with a huge deficit. So let's come back to harsh reality."

In response to the question, "What do you think about the debates?", Heath Reed, DMACC student, replied, "I've only seen bits and pieces. Watching the debates is a waste of time--I already know who I'm going to vote for."

### V.P. DEBATE

The vice presidential debate was held October 13 at Georgia Tech in Atlanta, Georgia. The audience, consisting of supporters, greeted the three candidates, Dan Quayle, Al Gore and James

Stockdale.

One of the more volatile exchanges between Quayle and Gore was when a question was asked about their qualifications to serve as president, if necessary. Quayle stated, "I've been there, pal. I've done the job. I've been tested...a coup broke out in the Philippines, I had to go to the Situation Room...I had to assemble the presidential advisors, talk to the president...The coup was oppressed, democracy continued in the Philippines...One other thing that qualifies you for being president--you've got to stand up for what you believe in, and nobody has ever criticized me for not having strong beliefs."

Stockdale said, "Mr. Perot has granted me total autonomy...I'm sure that he would make me a partner in decisions, making decisions on health care, the way to get this economy back on its feet again. I have not had the experience of these gentlemen, but I know I have his [Perot's] trust and I intend to act in a way to keep that situation alive."

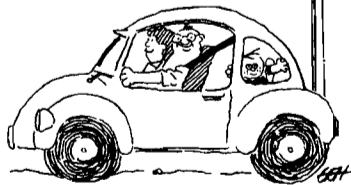
Gore responded by saying, "The experience George Bush and Dan Quayle have been talking about includes the worst economic performance since the Great Depression. Unemployment--up, personal income--down, bankruptcy--up, housing starts--down. How long can we continue with trickle-down economics? How you work together is critically important..."

### DMACC Responses

Bruce Kelly, DMACC instructor, stated, "From the bottom up--it hurt Ross Perot because it would be very hard to envision Stockdale as vice president of the United States. Dan Quayle, very un-presidential, very much like a pit bull. Al Gore did a very good job. Some might say programmed, I say well prepared."

Pam Winebrenner, another DMACC student, noted, "I thought Dan Quayle came off childish and somewhat defensive. I felt sorry for Perot's running mate."

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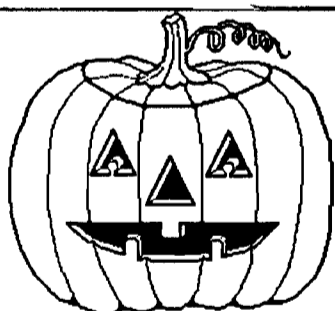
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Derek Fleek and Tommy Shelton return for DMACC baseball.

# Baseball Preview

by Staff Writer  
Brad Gutz

Here we go again!

Over spring break, DMACC's baseball team the Bears, will be hitting off their 92-93 season with a trip south to Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri.

The Bears will have 8 men returning from last year's team and possibly 3 new players coming in. Leading the team this year will be Sophomores Tommy Shelton and Derek Fleek.

The Bears had a record of 35 and 11 last season and according to coach John Smith, this season's projected toughest games will be against Indian Hills, Muscatine, and Iowa Western.

Athletic Director Harold Johnson mentioned this is the 10 year anniversary since the team won the Region 11 Championship, The North Central District Championship and took a trip to the National Junior College Tournament.

The Bears first scheduled home game will be on Sunday March 28 at 1:00 p.m. against Iowa Central Community College.

Look to future *Bear Facts* issues for more information on Bears' baseball.

## PBL

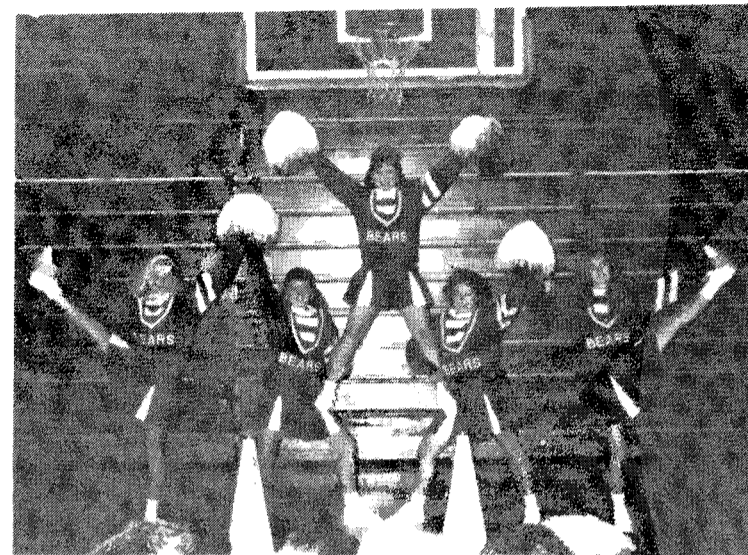
By Karen Coons  
PBL Reporter

A group of Professional Business Leaders (PBL) members attended a conference at Newton, Iowa the weekend of Oct. 9, 1992. The conference was educational, and the members learned alot of interesting things. There were many different workshops dealing with improving one's professional image.

A social on Friday evening, called Casino Night, was held and the members were given play money for the event. A great time was had by all as the PBLers tried to add to their booty.

On Saturday a luncheon was served featuring an innovative speaker who had several ideas about motivating themselves, and others, toward the job market in the near future.

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