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Trestle Trail Bridge

Once you find the trail-head and gather the courage to step out of your car at 11 p.m. you’ll find a treat about a mile east down the trail. Don’t mind the creaking bare trees or the sound of twigs snapping and leaves crunching under your foot, just walk. See that? There in the distance, a neon blue light glows. You walk further and it glows brighter, that’s the Trestle Trail Bridge, 13 stories high and a half-mile long. Walk down the rabbit-hole, enjoy the sights and feel free to get creeped.

The bridge is located 4 miles west of Madrid off of highway 210. Turn left on O Ave. Drive a quarter mile and you’ll pass the trail; park on the shoulder.

Burn Baby Burn.

Who doesn’t love a huge bonfire on a nice fall evening. The police’s who’s who! Take the time and read these tips straight from local firefighters to keep yourself out of trouble and your friends nice and toasty. Keep in mind these are for fires within city limits. If you wanna get a burn pile roasting, remember to make sure there are no burn bans in affect; and your friends nice and toasty. Keep in mind these are for fires within city limits. If you wanna get a burn pile roasting, remember to make sure there are no burn bans in affect; and your friends nice and toasty.

* Recreational fires are not allowed within 25 feet of any structure
* Can be reduced to 15 feet if you have a unit that has complete protection or a lid
* The total fire size needs to be 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height
* The fire must be constantly attended and supervised until completely extinguished.
* Recreational fires are not safe when winds exceed 15 mph.
**Bear Briefs**

**SAC Meeting**

There will be a Student Activities Council meeting on Nov. 2 at 1:30 p.m. until 2 p.m. Contact Steve Krafchin at sjkrafcisin@dmacc.edu for any questions.

**Creative Writing Contest**

DMACC is holding a district-wide writing contest where all students are eligible. Entries can be poems, short stories or double-sided prose. Awards include scholarships and cash prizes. For more information contact creative-writing-contest@dmacc.edu.

**Music by Laura Gould and Brad Myers**

The Student Activities Council will be hosting musical acts by Laura Gould and Brad Myers in the Courter Center at 11 a.m. on Oct. 26. Gould is an Iowa native who now works as a recording artist in New York City. Myers is an artist local to Ames.

**Halloween Costume Contest**

For the tricksters out there without Oct. 31 plans DMACC has you covered. At noon till 1 p.m. in the Courter Center, the SAC will hold a costume contest for a grand prize of a $25 (unspecified) gift card. Categories include best male student, female, and faculty/staff.

**Halloween Eating Contest**

In addition to the costume contest, a caramel apple and pumpkin pie eating contest will be held at 12:30 p.m. The fastest time eating both wins another $25 gift card.

**Faces of DMACC**

Do you have a DMACC Face? The college marketing department is looking for students, both male and female, to be the face of DMACC’s ads, brochures, and other campaigns.

Those interested need to stop by the Courter Center anytime from 10 a.m. till 3 p.m. on Nov. 1 for the photo shoot. In addition, everyone that gets their photo taken will have their name put in a drawing to win an iPod Nano, gift certificates to the bookstore and other prizes.

**Scholarship Applications Deadline**

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**Intramural 4 Ball Pool Contest**

The Student Intramural Committee will host a Pool tournament on Nov. 9 from 10:30 a.m. until noon in the Courter center. Students who participate in up to four events will receive a free intramurals t-shirt.

**Dance with Dracula**

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**Documantaries in the Dark**

The Boone Campus Theatre will be host to the documentary, “Our Time,” a portrait of young America’s in the world today. The film covers four graduating seniors traveling the country in an attempt to understand the country. Directed by Matt Heine-man and Matt Wiggins, “Our Time,” will be screen Nov. 4 at 7 p.m.

**Grand View College Rep**

Students interested in transferring to new schools with the next semester, be advised there will be a Grand View College representative at the Courter Center on Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. until noon.

**Intramural Big Racket Nerf Badminton**

The Student Intramural Committee will host a Nerf Badminton tournament on Nov. 2 from 10:30 a.m. until noon in the gym. Students who participate in up to four events will receive a free intramurals t-shirt.

**Music by Paul Christian**

The SAC will host music from cross-country act Paul Christian Nov. 2 from 11 a.m. till 1 p.m., at a location as of yet to be specified. Christian has played in venues from coast to coast for the last 8 years spreading poetry, music and love as a true troubadour.

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Photos by Cody Arndt, Staff Writer

HALLOWEEN

What to be for halloween

In 1881, Kate Shelley, walked across a damaged bridge near Boone during a storm to warn an oncoming train that there was a bridge out. The original bridge is long gone (demolished in the 1930’s) but the high bridge, built in 1901, is supposedly home to the ghost of Kate Shelley. The bridge has wonderful tales of “Specter” Steam Engines and ghostly “watchmen” that walk it.

Kate Shelley’s ghost is said to haunt the hamlet of Moingona, Iowa, South West of City of Boone.

Photos provided by halloweenexpress.com
DMACC- The volleyball team needed five sets to defeat North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) Oct. 19 at Mason City. The set scores were 19-25, 23-25, 21-25, 22-25, 15-13.

Freshman Roxanne Grundmeier of Schaller led the Bears with 24 kills and 17 digs. Freshman Jordan Leehy of Neola and Sarah Klahn of Treynor had 28 and 17 kills and freshmen Jordan Olivia Fisher of Janesville with 24 kills and 21 digs. Freshman erstmeier of Schaller led the Bears.

The Bears won the season. The Bears had 24 kills and five ace blocks. With the win, DMACC improved to 23-12 for the season. The Bears had seven kills and 14 digs and two ace blocks. Person added four kills and three ace blocks and Leeby contributed nine assists.

Freshman Anna-Kate Bruns of Ames won the 5K (3.1-mile) Oct. 15 at Forest City.

The Bears took the Waldorf College Athletic Conference (IC-CAA) Division II poll, defeated DMACC 25-12, 25-20, 25-10, also at the Kishwaukee Tournament. Grundmeier led the Bears with nine kills, 14 digs and two ace blocks. Person added four kills and three ace blocks and Leeby contributed nine assists. Klahn finished with eight assists and Salisbury had one ace serve and 11 digs.

Fisher had 19 kills and 16 digs and Grundmeier contributed 18 kills as DMACC handed Rock Valley Community College a 25-15, 26-24, 21-25, 19-25, 15-10 loss for its only win in tournament play. Leeby and Klahn finished with 30 and 21 assists respectively. and Salisbury had 26 digs and an ace serve. Lampman finished the match with one ace serve and six ace blocks.

Grundmeier and Fisher had five kills each as Oakland Community College, ranked second in NJCAA Division II, defeated the Bears 25-15, 25-17, 25-12 in the Kishwaukee Tournament. Leeby and Klahn had six assists each and Salisbury and Lampman contributed two ace serves apiece.

Conklin topped DMACC in digs with nine and Salisbury added seven. Freshman Kaitlyn Johansen of Grimes, Fisher and Lampman had one ace block each.

DMACC also played North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) Oct. 18 at Mason City.
“I hate the wilderness. I'm a germ-freak. But I had to come, otherwise I'd fail the class.”

~ Sweta Babaria, Cal State Fullerton student

Jay-Z comes to Georgetown University

Professor, author and radio host Michael Eric Dyson has long been an ardent proponent of hip-hop, and now he's teaching a course on one of the genre's biggest purveyors: Jay-Z.

The course, "Sociology of Hip-Hop: Jay-Z," is a three-credit, twice-weekly lecture at Georgetown University, where Dyson has been a professor since 2007.

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After dark, the students set out over the flat, sandy plain with ultraviolet lights in search for scorpions, whose exoskeletons contain a chemical that make them fluorescent under the black light.

About a half-mile out, they could be found lurking in the un-derbrush, an ethereal, phantasmic presence.

"The scorpions, that was kind of cool," said biology major Cherly Regnott, 11, who said the weekend was better than she antici-pated. "I've been dirt bike rid-ing near Barstow but I've never experienced anything like this. You have an understanding that there's more out here than just shrubs and snakes. There's a lot more life, a food chain.”

In the morning, the students rose early for a drive to the foot-hills of the Soda Mountains to see the Mojave's plant life — cactus bushes, honey mesquite trees, cacti and other species — and watch lizards sunbathing on the red, yellow and black rock beds. Rudy Macias worked his way up the hills taking notes.

"Being in the desert is some-thing I'll probably never do again, unless it's Las Vegas," Macias, 21, a health science major, said jok-ingly. "But it's neat. Grabbing bugs and looking for scorpions, it's like being a boy again.”

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Tom Stamman says he is a prophet. As a prophet, he believes “the word of God” passes through him and allows him to convey information about others. Someone who is a novice among members of a DMMC world religion class during an extra credit trip Sept. 28. Stamman was at Marshalltown First Friends Church, which practices the Quaker religion, in Marshalltown. Our world religious instructor, Judy Marshall, is a co-pastor with her husband at the church. She invited the class to travel to Marshalltown to listen to what Tom had to say.

Intermingled during his sermon, Tom would break away to deliver what he called “Holy Spurts. It commercializes” where he would call a random person from the audience to come up to the stage. It seemed as if his prophesies were about what the individual was meant to achieve or what good things were coming his or her way.

During one of his “commercializations,” I was one of the lucky students to be chosen. Tom had several girls come and place their hands on my back/shoulders and he began talking to me. “You are going to be a teacher. You will also have children of color and lose them very much,” This did not surprise me because most people can point me out as a possible teacher within one glance. Also, since my own childhood and being taken in by my grand parents, I have always wanted to adopt.

I was unsure how connected he was to the Holy Spirit because the message to me did not present a word of spiritual importance.

Tom seemed more a reader of character than a Prophet sent by God to deliver messages unto others. However, he had talked earlier in the night and I had mentioned that I was adopted by someone who has also wanted to be a teacher. A lot of people can tell, though, by the way a person presents himself in person that they could make a good educator. Yet at the same time his message reassured me of my purpose.

The presentation itself was informative and made me feel closer to God and my basic beliefs. On my drive home to Boone I kept thinking about how distant I had gotten from my religious faith since my grandmother had passed away and I had not really crossed my mind until I started my religion 101 class. All of us have some type of beliefs about life and how it begun, whether it’s based on science or faith. As kids our parents instill us with values and beliefs based upon how they believe. Eventually, though, we all grow up and are put into a place where we must decide on our own.

As a college student it can be hard to keep your religion as a part in your life. Between work, school, studying, work study friends and boyfriends/girlfriends we just don’t have the time for it. Most of us never really think about God or the values our parents once instill in us as children. I remember during one class Marshalltown First Friends Church. Tom to the crowd at Marshalltown First Friends Church. Photo by Kodie Butterfield

Prophet Tom Stamman speaks to the crowd at Marshalltown First Friends Church.

Opinion

Prophet’s prediction gives new perspective on life

By Kodie Butterfield

Staff Writer

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By Alayna Barnett

Staff Writer

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Sneaky fees have become a fact of life here in America, and unfortunately the banks are not the only culprits. Many people have had that unpleasant moment of shock after opening a bill and finding an amount due that is far higher than expected.

Eric Ginder, who works with the Bundy, says the highest fees are no longer the debits one pays while shopping. Instead, the most common fees are those that one or maybe two programs, which might even be watched free online, are costing an extra small fortune for the next tier of channels. Early termination fees are not just for cell phones anymore, though, so be careful to ask questions before making a细胞.

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Aries (March 21-April 19) -- Today is an 8 -- If you follow the instructions (and your instincts) carefully, you succeed on your first attempt. Use imagination. Focus on love, and then reward yourself by sharing quality time.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 2 -- It’s time to act on the lessons you’ve learned in the past. Your family is there for you when you need them. More quickly, you’re set up all the pieces.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- A creative challenge launched now could be quite lucrative. Your learning abilities are on the rise. Study hard while you play, but remember: no pain, no gain.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 9 -- You’re learning to be successful. Continue reinventing yourself. Provide well for family. Love is the important thing. Be patient with someone who won’t.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 9 -- A whole world of possibilities await. Choose the ones that light you up, for yourself and others. There’s no time for holding grudges. Dive into action wholeheartedly.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is an 8 -- Get serious about your strategy (but not too serious). Your typical sense of adaptability gets special appreciation now. Slow down to contemplate from a different perspective.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is an 8 -- Get clear about finances. Do the paperwork. A good suggestion from an unlikely source leads to a profitable venture. Social networking pays (in more ways than one).

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is an 8 -- Your growing expertise is attracting attention. Ignore this, and plow on. Minimize distractions to focus on getting the job done. This leads to success.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is a 2 -- Clean up after your creative bursts of expression. Old ideas come into renewed prominence. Limitations ease. A dream is close to reality. Old ideas come into renewed prominence.