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Alive and Running co-founder and organizer Ryan Nesbit addresses the crowd of over 800 runners just prior to the starting gun at the 2012 Alive and Running 5K in Dunkerton.

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Alive and Running 5K

by Ryan Nesbit and Troy Belmer
Co-Race Directors

The 3rd annual Alive and Running 5k for Suicide Prevention was a huge success. We had 1107 people register to run/walk with 899 crossing the finish line.

A very special thank you to the town of Dunkerton for letting us host this event. We no longer reside here, but are proud alumni of the Raider class of 1993.

Thanks to all our sponsors, volunteers, law enforcement, supporters, and participants. Thanks also to the residents of Dunkerton for keeping cars off the race course and clearing the streets the morning of June 16.

Our early goal for 2013 is 1000 people crossing the finish line. We anticipate our event will continue to grow in size as more people become aware of our mission: to raise suicide awareness and to prevent suicides.

Please check www.aliveandrinningiowa.com for all race results and race photos.

Thank you once again for your continued support of our event and our mission. We are both proud to be from Dunkerton and hope we can continue to hold the state's largest suicide prevention event in the town we grew up in.

Train hard and have a great year. We'll see you for our 4th year on June 15, 2013.



Alive and Running organizers Ryan Nesbit (left) and Troy Belmer (right) said 2012 was the largest year yet for the event, SEE 5K/Page 2

Below: A panoramic shot of the starting line just prior to the starting gun.

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Area Sophomore Attends Leadership Program

News release

Trevor Jacobsen recently attended the Iowa Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Seminar representing Dunkerton Community High School. Jacobsen joined 201 other young leaders representing as many high schools from throughout Iowa June 15th – 17th at Central College in Pella, Iowa.

HOBY Leadership Seminars bring together a select group of high school sophomores to interact with groups of distinguished leaders in business, government, education and the professions to discuss present and future issues. The goal is to provide the youths a stimulating forum for learning about critical issues while broadening their understanding of their leadership potential and quest for self-development. HOBY leaders are also challenged to return to their communities to perform at least 100 hours of community service within 12 months following the Seminar. The cost of attendance for each ambassador is paid for by local sponsors. An investment in an ambassador from your community is an investment in your community.

"HOBY does not teach what to think but how to think." Leadership Seminar Chair Rachel Anderson says. "We give ambassadors the tools to make positive change in their own homes, schools and communities. Ambassadors are challenged to discover new methods of leadership in their

personal lives, in groups as well as society."

Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership was established in 1958 by the popular actor Hugh O'Brian following a visit to Africa where he was inspired by a meeting with Dr. Albert Schweitzer.

"One of the things Schweitzer said to me was that the most important thing in education was to teach young people to think for themselves," O'Brian said. "From that inspiration, and with the support of others who believe in youth and the American dream, I started HOBY to seek out, recognize, and develop outstanding leadership potential among our nation's youth."

Further information about HOBY activities and how to sponsor an ambassador from your community is available by calling Rachel Anderson 563-605-0198 or email at lsc@iahoby.org.

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which is only in its third year. According to Troy, "We had 873 people pre-register by the June 2 deadline. We had 1,107 total people registered and 899 crossed the finish line.

"Alive and Running gave away 145 door prizes and raffled off an iPad2. Alive and Running will be donating \$13,500 to the AFSP (American Foundation for Suicide Prevention) and will also be giving away \$1,000 scholarships at both Dunkerton and Aplington-Parkersburg High School this year for 2013 graduating seniors. These numbers aren't possible without the help of all involved. Thanks a million to everyone that took part for supporting a cause that has impacted so many lives and continues everyday!"

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Scambusters

By Scambuster Keith
Issue #497 June 20, 2012

Don't Get Hijacked by These Rest Area Scams

When you pull into a rest area, it's usually for a well-earned moment of relaxation — or an urgent restroom break.

Either way, the last thing you want is an interruption from someone who's after your money.

But, increasingly that's the risk we face at rest areas, despite efforts by law enforcement or security guards to stop the scammers.

And, with the vacation season in full swing, the crooks are out in full force on the lookout for likely victims.

Whatever your reason for traveling, here are the main scams to look out for when you're visiting a rest area.

Rest Area Panhandlers

They come in all sorts of guises, from the familiar guy (or gal) with a cardboard sign pleading for money to scammers claiming they ran out of fuel or their car broke down and they need money urgently to buy fuel or a ticket home.

They might have a "prop," like a fuel can, or have the hood of their car raised to make the story seem more plausible, but you can be 99% sure it's a trick.

For one thing, SEE SCAMS/Page 7

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Monday, Jul 2, 2012

7:00pm Softball:Girls Varsity Tournament vs. Janesville @ Janesville High School

ty @ Dunkerton High School - Baseball Diamond
7:00pm-8:00pm Booster Club Meeting

Tuesday, Jul 3, 2012

5:00pm Baseball:Boys JV Game vs. Gladbrook-Reinbeck (GRNT) @ Riverfront Stadium

Saturday, Jul 7, 2012
10:00am-12:00pm Conference Baseball/Softball Meeting\

6:30pm Baseball:Boys Varsity Game vs. Gladbrook-Reinbeck (GRNT) @ Riverfront Stadium

Saturday, Jul 14, 2012
7:00pm-8:00pm Fine Arts Booster Meeting ICN Room

Wednesday, July 4, 2012
Happy 4th of July!

Mon. Jul 16
Contact Linda with any news for The Dunkerton News

Friday, Jul 6, 2012

5:00pm Baseball:Boys Varsity Game vs. Valley Community @ Dunkerton High School - Baseball Diamond

Tues. July 17
Seniors Potluck 11:45 at the Community Hall

6:30pm Baseball:Boys JV Game vs. Valley Communi-

Mon. July 23
NOTE: Next issue of The Dunkerton News

Seniors Where Are You?

Senior citizen potluck July 17th at the Community Hall. Bring a dish and a gift for Bingo. See you there at 11:45 a.m.

Have a safe 4th of July!



Our thoughts are with the brave men and women serving our country and the ones who served before them.



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The Dunkerton News welcomes letters to the editor from readers. We urge you to keep your letters brief and to the point. We reserve the right to edit letters for length, if necessary.

All letters to the editor must be signed and include a phone number or address for verification purposes. Send letters to: The Dunkerton News, 3511 Lafayette Rd., Evansdale, IA 50707, email WdRoseLady@aol.com or fax 319-287-5941.

Recognition

Submitted

Brandon Speer, son of Todd and Ann Speer of Colorado and grandson of Bob and Judy Speer of Dunkerton, graduated from Rock Canyon High School in Highlands Ranch, CO on May 21, 2012.

Brandon was awarded the Outstanding Senior Male for school activities and will be recognized on the school's "Wall of Honor". Brandon participated in FBLA, Bio-tech Club, Model Congress, and Mock Trial (where he went to Nationals). Brandon was also on the Tennis team and a National High School Scholar.

Brandon will be attending Colorado University with a full first year scholarship at Boulder in the fall.



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July 9-13

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Fri – Lasagna

July 16-20

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LIBRARY NEWS

Summer Fun At The Library

We have the following July activities

at the library:

July 2, Monday, 7:00 P.M. -
Movie: Harry Potter and the Deathly Hollows Part 2 (PG-13)

July 5, Thursday, 10:00 A.M.
- Story time and Mrs. G, the puppet lady

July 9, Monday, 7:00 P.M. -
Pajama Party plus movie: Ratatouille (G)

July 14, Saturday, 10:00 A.M.
- Magician Bob Kann

July 16, Monday, 7:00 P.M. -
Movie: Red Riding Hood (PG-13)

July 17, Tuesday, 10:00 A.M.
- Story time and Mrs. G, the puppet lady

July 21, Saturday, 12:00 PM -
Summer Reading Program Prize Giveaways and movie: Bedtime Stories (PG).

Please note: the library will be closed July 4 (holiday) and July 28 (Dunkerton Days).

Many of you know that the library has a program room available for public use. Our policy states:

The Dunkerton Public Library offers a program room to further the Library's mission to serve the needs of the community. The Program Room is available on an equitable basis, regardless of the beliefs or affiliations of individuals or groups requesting their use. The use of the Program Room does not imply the library's endorsement of any ideas expressed in the meeting nor of the goals, objectives, or ideals of the person or organization using library facilities.

The program room has been utilized by many community organizations plus has been used for private gatherings, also. The library with it's program room is a wonderful amenity that Dunkerton offers it's residence.

Interested In Preserving Dunkerton History?

Call the library at 822-4610 or Carolyn Clubine at 822-4478 if you have any interest of being a part of a committee whose mission is to preserve Dunkerton area history.

Jesup Days July 12-14

"UNITED We Stand" is the theme for this year's celebration, in observance of the Sesquicentennial Anniversary of the Civil War.

Hours and hours of free entertainment takes place on the Farmers Day Stage, plus more entertainment and activity in the Gazebo in Land O' Corn Park.

Civil War Exhibits

Special exhibits commemorating the Sesquicentennial Anniversary of the Civil War will be on the west side of the Land O' Corn Park in downtown Jesup. "Fiery Trial: Iowa and the Civil War" is a traveling exhibit inside a 32-foot trailer. Tour this traveling museum all three days of Farmers Day. On Saturday only, come meet Annie Wittenmyer and learn how women organized clothing and food relief for the soldiers. See a real dog tent, muskets and flags from the Civil War, and make old-fashioned bonnets.

Entertainment & fun

Traditional Farmers Day events include a carnival midway that compares to many county fair midways, with special Wrist Band rates of just \$13 to ride all night on Thursday, and \$13 to ride all afternoon on Friday. Delicious foods are everywhere, and there are dances, music, artists, vendors, parades, competitions and so much more!

New to Farmers Day this year is McGrane Music Machine on Thursday night, July 12. Warm up your vocal cords and polish your stage presence, then get on stage and Karaoke your heart out to all your favorite tunes, requests welcomed! Also new will be a Farmers Day Fun Pet Show in the Park Pavilion at 3 PM on Friday afternoon, right after an energy-packed performance by Dan Wardell of IPTV's Kids Clubhouse.

Richie Lee & the Fabulous Fifties will rock the pavilion with Buddy Holly hits on Friday night. On Saturday night, Branson's Bill Chrastil will

wow the crowd with the music of Elvis, Conway Twitty, Neil Diamond, Tom Jones and Johnny Cash.

Popular Cedar Valley band Milk & Honey will perform on Saturday night on the Farmers Day Stage beginning at 9 PM, and Kathy Lee Ogden sings from the Gazebo all afternoon Saturday from 12:30-5 PM. While listening to Kathy Lee, get a free caricature sketch from artist Barb Jacobs at the Gazebo.

Local favorite, The Waring Family, will perform on the Farmers Day Stage on Saturday afternoon beginning at 5 PM. This award-winning blue grass band is so popular, you'd better come early to get a seat to hear them play!

Returning attractions to Farmers Day include the Square Dance, the 5K Run/Walk, the Domestic Arts Show (in the basement of City Hall this year), Bingo in the park, the Petting Zoo, Children's Games, Magic Shows and the Great Farmers Day Parade.

Contests for kids this Farmers Day are the Prince & Princess Contest on Thursday night, the Pet Show on Friday afternoon, the Talent Show on Saturday afternoon, and the Children's Tractor Pull.

Community organizations will man food booths that serve up a delicacy to everyone's taste such as brats, funnel cakes, donuts, ice cream, lemonade, pie, maidrites, fries, barbecued pork sandwiches, tacos and more.

The 63rd Annual Great Farmers Day Parade kicks off at 10 AM on Saturday, July 14, and has so many entries, it takes at least an hour to see it all!

UNITED We Stand

Farmers Day, Inc. President Alan Wright invites everyone to this year's Farmers Day celebration!

For a complete listing and schedule of activities for Farmers Day, watch your mail, go to www.jesupfarmersday.org, or call 319-827-1128.

When your mother asks, "Do you want a piece of advice?" it's a mere formality. It doesn't matter if you answer yes or no. You're going to get it anyway.

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HVAAA Offers Older Persons Relief from the Heat

(Waterloo, Iowa) June 27, 2012 – Along with summer comes heat and humidity. While most of us enjoy the summer weather, older adults are more vulnerable than the general population to the extreme heat. Some of the reasons older people are more prone to heat stress include the lack of ability to adjust to sudden changes in temperature, chronic medical conditions that upset normal body responses to heat, and prescription medications impairing the body's ability to regulate temperature.

Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging has a cool alternative for older adults to escape the heat. Stop by one of Hawkeye Valley's 17 Healthy Lifestyles Centers located in Black Hawk, Bremer, Butler, Buchanan, Chickasaw Hardin, Grundy, Marshall, Tama, and

Poweshiek counties and enjoy a nutritious meal as well as daily activities such as bingo, Wii games, card games, special presentations, and movies.

"We want to make sure older individuals are safe and have a place where they can go to cool down on these extremely hot days," said Sally Myers, Associate Director of Program Services.

Meals are available on a contribution basis for those aged 60 and over, otherwise the cost is \$6 for those under 60. Meal times and days vary per location. Meal reservations need to be placed by 9 a.m. each morning.

Myers said, "We are also encouraging the community to take some time to visit elderly neighbors to check if they are showing signs of heat exhaus-

tion or heat stroke."

According to the CDC the signs and symptoms of a heat stroke include extremely high body temperature (above 103°F); red, hot, and dry skin (no sweating); rapid, strong pulse; throbbing headache; dizziness; and nausea. Signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion include heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea or vomiting, fainting, cool moist skin, fast

and weak pulse, and fast and shallow breathing.

Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging is also offering fans to area residents over the age of 60 who do not have access to air conditioning or the financial means to purchase a fan. For more information about Hawkeye Valley services or center locations visit www.hvaaa.org or call the Aging & Disability Resource Center at 319-272-1767 or toll free at 877-538-0508.

Notice

The United Methodist Church food booth will be at the church this year for Dunkerton Days, July 28th, instead of down town. The building is handicap accessible with plenty of parking and A/C We will offer the same menu with

home made pie and ice cream please tell all your friends to come see us at this location, We will be begin serving right after the parade, 11:00 a. m. till 2:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you again this year at the new site.



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HVAAA Meals for July

Meals are at Dunkerton United Methodist Church on Mondays and Thursdays. Each meal includes milk. Meals are offered on a contribution basis for people over 60 year of age. Actual cost for the meal is \$6. People under 60 must pay the actual cost.

There are two menu options on most days of the month. Both congregate and home delivered meals may choose between option A and B. Meals must be ordered in advance by 9 a.m. the day before receiving a meal. Preference for Option A or B must be given at time of order – if no preference is given, Option A will be served. For reservations call 319-822-7910

Mon. July 2

A. Creole Pork Patty Red Potatoes Italian Vegetables Wheat Bread/Margarine Sugar Cookie Kcal – 701 Na – 1116 CHO – 80.7 Fat – 34.4%

B. Florida Glazed Chicken Red Potatoes Italian Vegetables Wheat Bread/Margarine Sugar Cookie Kcal – 656 Na – 1064 CHO – 84.0 Fat – 25.9%

Thurs. July 5

A. Salisbury Beef Onion Gravy Whipped Potatoes Broccoli Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Creamsicle Pudding Kcal – 664 Na – 991 CHO – 80.2 Fat – 32.1%

B. Tuna Mac Salad Ranch House Tomatoes Fiesta Bean Salad Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Creamsicle Pudding Kcal – 821 Na – 988 CHO – 103.3 Fat – 26.0%

Mon. July 9

A Cheese Ravioli Tomato Sauce Tangy Spinach Dilled Carrots Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Fresh Orange Kcal – 417 Na – 910 CHO – 63.0 Fat – 23.3%

B Sliced Turkey Breast Swiss Cheese Pasta & Bean Salad California Veggie Salad

Pineapple Juice Multi-Grain Bread Fresh Orange Kcal – 691 Na – 960 CHO – 87.6 Fat – 29.2%

Thurs. July 12

A. Pork Loin w/Mushrooms Baked Sweet Potato Northern Beans Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Mandarin Oranges and Pineapple Kcal – 792 Na – 556 CHO – 105.0 Fat – 24.0%

B Spinach & Turkey Salad Orange Juice Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Mandarin Oranges and Pineapple Asst Salad Dressing Kcal – 534 Na – 877 CHO – 65.1 Fat – 29.3%

Mon. July 16

A Turkey w/Gravy Sweet Potato Casserole Green Beans with Peppers Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Tutti Frutti Pudding Kcal – 551 Na – 966 CHO – 78.3 Fat – 20.8%

B Chef Salad Orange Juice Crackers Tutti Frutti Pudding Salad Dressing Kcal – 499 Na – 809 CHO – 52.9 Fat – 34.9%

Thurs. July 19

A Chicken Rice Casserole Country Vegetables Kidney Bean Salad Wheat Bread/Margarine Hot Cinnamon Applesauce Kcal – 826 Na – 666 CHO – 115.9 Fat – 23.6%

B Mixed Bean Soup Sliced Roast Beef Swiss Cheese Spinach Salad/Dressing Four Tortilla/Mustard Cinnamon Applesauce Kcal – 779 Na – 884 CHO – 92.3 Fat – 25.5%

Mon. July 23

A Swedish Meatballs Pasta Italian Vegetables Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Fresh Fruit Kcal – 680 CHO – 81.1

B Creole Pork Pasta Italian Vegetables Multi-Grain Bread/Marg Fresh Fruit Kcal – 737 Na – 1092 CHO – 89.0 Fat – 31.9%

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To the editor

Community Hall

I can live with the tag "Flip-Flopper". After quite a bit of thought on the exercise group at the Hall, I would propose the following to the hall directors.

Get leadership together from ROC, seniors, and any other concerned group into a round table discussion on the issues each has. Ask each group to "Bend a Little" if necessary allowing ROC to continue renting the hall. If the resolution of issues are followed, I would support a contract renewal. Things have changed in Dunkerton. We have many new, younger families in town who bring students to our school and attend our churches. Having been in the martial arts for 20 years, I know the benefit of what ROC is doing, and if they are laying their money down in support of ROC at the hall, I would support that.

Tom Smock

Library's Summer Reading Program

Early in June I contacted the area businesses to ask for their

support for this years youth Reading Program. The boys and girls who participate look forward to the activities and prizes that go along with the program. This is made possible by your very generous support and donations. Some of you have sent checks directly to the Friends of the Library. Thank you. If you plan on sending your donation directly to the library, it will save me knocking on your door in the coming week or so. I will thank you then.

Tom Smock

Fish Fry

We were not overwhelmed at the recent fish fry held at the community hall to support upkeep at the Veteran's Park. However, we did have a plus margin over our expenses, so we are pleased. Brad and Diana with Jane's help provided the potato salad and Pat Smith (Harley) worked up the baked beans. Tom Bagby & Tom Swanson led the frying crew. I thank everyone who helped with the greeting (Max), in the kitchen, on the floor and with the clean-up.

Tom Smock

Scams

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people with signs just asking outright for money almost certainly would have had to reach the rest area by car.

You will usually see a vehicle right at the end, in the final slot of the parking area. Often, there'll be another person in the car, since panhandlers like this are well organized and work in shifts.

And if you offer to buy something for them from a vending machine, they will usually shun the offer, saying they prefer cash.

Action: Although there may be an outside chance that someone's need is genuine, realize that this is very, very unlikely. Keep your hands and your wallet in your pocket.

Rest Area Auto Repair Scam

This is a common trick in all kinds of parking situations, and we've written about it before.

<http://clicks.aweber.com/y/ct/?l=OtAeW&m=JQWD1Q2bEGtWfo&b=It7Jl5QfhigTHKJt0s77QQ>

What makes it particularly effective in a rest area is that, if you're on a freeway, you're almost a "captive." You can't just walk away and up the street to get help.

The scammers normally make up a story about seeing smoke or oil leaking from your car, but they have been known to slash tires while the driver visits a restroom.

Whatever the story, they usually claim either to be an auto engineer who just happens to be passing through, or a "good Samaritan" who will help change your wheel — for a fee.

Sometimes, they pose as body repair specialists, offering to fix dents and scratches while you take a break.

They may want payment upfront, in which case don't expect them to be there when you return to your vehicle.

Or they might just be rank amateurs, do a botched job and then threaten you when you re-

fuse to pay.

On other occasions, they may simply wash your car windshield while you're in the restroom and demand payment when you return.

Action:

- * Park your auto in a busy area, around other cars.

- * Refuse any offers to do work of any sort on your vehicle.

- * If the car is disabled in some way, phone for assistance; don't accept proffered help.

- * If you are physically threatened, look for security help in the rest area. Otherwise, pay up and then report the incident to the police, with a good description of the scammer.

The Rest Area "Three-Card Monte"

It's remarkable that this ancient card-switching scam shows up so often in a rest area or truck stop, where you probably wouldn't expect to see it. Victims are shown three cards, one of which is the target card — for example, the Queen of Spades.

The cards are placed face down on a table and moved around, while the victim is supposed to keep track of the target card. If they correctly identify it when the shuffle is complete, they win.

But, of course, that never happens because the scammer is a crook, using sleight of hand to deceive observers.

The most common ploy to lure victims into the game is a claim that someone has won a lot of money, usually on a lottery, is now drunk, and is virtually giving money away to anyone who will play cards with them.

These scammers work in gangs of four or more — one being the card-switching expert and the others hustlers who both recruit players and pose as lucky winners themselves.

Sometimes, they pretend to be janitors or security officials at the rest area, to make their story seem more credible. Or they may claim to be truckers, celebrating their pal's good

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fortune.

Whatever the tale, victims are first treated to watching others (really accomplices) win large sums of money; then they're invited to play, maybe winning at first but always doubling up until they lose a lot of money.

Action: Card playing in rest areas and parking lots is for mugs. Don't do it — no matter how plausible the story and how excited everyone else seems to be about it.

A Likely Hoax

An email story has been doing the rounds for the last couple of years, claiming that a woman carrying a baby has been scamming rest area drivers.

According to this story, she rushes up to solo victims, apparently distraught, and asks

them to hold her baby for a second.

Then, while the victim's hands are thus occupied, she proceeds to empty their pockets and runs off, leaving the victim literally holding the baby.

Police are called, the baby is collected and somehow returned to its mother, without her being arrested, and the whole cycle begins again.

This is a highly implausible story and there's no evidence anything like it has ever happened.

Better keep your guard up for the more likely kind of rest area scams we've warned you about in this report!

That's all for today — we'll see you next week.

Reminder—Dunkerton Days

Dunkerton Days is scheduled for July 27th and 28th. If you have any questions, or would like to help contact Zach Pierce at 319-464-5258 or email zach1133@yahoo.com, or Colt at 319-939-5567 or email coltRobinson09@gmail.com

Dunkerton News

This month there are 5 Mondays. Because of scheduling, the next Dunkerton News will be on July 23rd, the Monday before Dunkerton Days. This issue will have all the Dunkerton Days activities listed.

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