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Banner News

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More than 110 people already have registered for the second annual In My Boots 5K Run, Walk, Ruck, on Saturday, April 18, at McHose Park in Boone. Another 120 members of the military are planning two Shadow Runs in conjunction with the Boone event.

Online registration is open until April 15. On-site registration is also available on the day of the 5K at McHose Park.

The DMACC Boone campus is again hosting the event in Taylor’s absence. He and his unit will complete their own version of the “Boone Campus In My Boots 5K Ruck” from abroad.

In addition, the brother of a DMACC student is organizing a “Shadow Run abroad” for his military unit deployed in January. He and his unit will complete their own version of the “Boone Campus In My Boots 5K Ruck” from abroad.

In Taylor’s absence, the event is extra-special because of Seaz’s deployment and the Shadow Runs. Last year, nearly 250 people registered for the inaugural In My Boots 5K, raising more than $5,000 for the Wounded Warrior Project.

Awards will be given to the overall male and female winners and the winning teams. There will also be certificates for winners in age categories. A raffle will be held for other donated items.

Information & Registration: https://go.dmacc.edu/boone/inmyboots5k/Pages/welcome.aspx

Captain Sean Taylor, a DMACC professor, was deployed overseas in January with his Army Reserves unit. Taylor started the DMACC Boone campus In My Boots 5K Run Walk Ruck at McHose Park in Boone last year. Proceeds from the event support the Wounded Warrior Project and local veterans. This year faculty and students are planning the event in Taylor’s absence. Meanwhile, Taylor will hold a shadow run abroad.

Photo contributed by Sean Taylor
Parking is available on the north side of the building, and people may file forms, interest statements from banks (1099 forms), copies of last year's tax returns, and other tax forms. You will be invited to attend out more about joining PTK. For more information, contact Nancy Woods, nwoods@dmacc.edu. 515-433-5001. Or Stacy Amling, smal-ling@dmacc.edu. 515-433-5089.

Honors seeks applicants

The DMACC Honors Program is seeking highly motivated students to apply for honors. For more information, contact Nancy Woods, nwoods@dmacc.edu. 515-433-5001. Or Stacy Amling, smal-ling@dmacc.edu. 515-433-5089.

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Give blood and help someone in need

Did you know cancer patients need blood? DMACC's Boone Campus will be holding its annual blood drive on May 6th. Contact Erin Neumann, eaneumann@dmacc.edu or 515-433-5029.

Helping students in need

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Editor's note: This section will feature a student, staff member, or instructor from the Boone DMACC campus. Do you have a suggestion for someone we should feature? Send your ideas to bosnewson@dmacc.edu

Story and photo by Megan Olson Staff Writer

This is Ann Kiesel’s first year working fulltime at DMACC. She is the director of the Academic Achievement Center.

Kiesel has a staff of eight in her department. She does the scheduling and training for the staff. Her other duties include implementing new testing procedures, proctoring tests, and teaching reading and writing skills.

Prior to this year, she worked parttime at DMACC for 10 years as an adjunct instructor.

“I would have to say my favorite part of DMACC is the students and staff. I like the diversity of students. They differ in ages and ability levels,” says Kiesel.

Ann Kiesel grew up in Newton, and went to Newton schools. In high school at Newton she was a member of the cross-country team. During her junior year she moved to Des Moines and attend ed Roosevelt High School.

At Roosevelt she was a synchronized swimmer. Her grandmother started the team in 1927. Her mother had also been synchronized swimmer at Roosevelt.

“I had the talent for it so I decided to go out,” says Kiesel.

After high school, Kiesel went to the University of Iowa where she received her bachelor’s degree in education. She then went to Iowa State where she received her master’s degree in education. Kiesel is married to Scott Kiesel. They have a son and daughter: Karen and Kevin.

Something interesting about Ann Kiesel is that she has climbed Uluru in Australia.

In her free time she enjoys reading. Her favorite evening would be dinner and a movie.

FAFSA Fridays

It’s time to file the 2015-16 FAFSA!

Stop in during an upcoming FAFSA Friday to get free assistance with completing and submitting your FAFSA. (No appointment necessary.)

February 27: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
March 27: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
April 17: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Location: DMACC Boone Campus Room 141

Receive a FREE $5 Subway card when you complete your FAFSA during FAFSA Friday.

Questions? Contact Erin Neumann: 515-433-5037 or eaneumann@dmacc.edu

**FAFSA Fridays are open to all current, former, and prospective DMACC students as well as anyone reading this newsletter with their FAFSA, regardless of what college or university they will attend in 2015-16.**

**Keep Calm and Do the FAFSA**
We buy reusable shopping bags and use them for gift wrap. They are comparable in price to a paper gift bag, and they provide recipients with something that they can use.

We try to buy food grown locally or in the United States. This supports our economy and cuts down on the fossil fuel used to transport food across the world.

We purchased a kilowatt tester that shows how much electricity is used by the different plug-in devices around our home. This enabled us to see where we were using the most energy — and where we could cut back.

We installed a laundry timer in each bathroom. This way, we can make sure our water heater is the only user in our home, so we put the timer to good use.

I help organize a Put & Take event in my community. People donate household items and clothes that they no longer want, and others take what they need. Instead of used things being thrown away, they go to people who need them. It benefits everyone.

We keep empty plastic bottles in our kitchen and bathroom and collect water from the faucet or shower while we are waiting for it to get hot. We use this water for plants, pets, bird-baths and more.

Our kids are environmentally minded but had a bad habit of using lots of paper towels. No matter how much I nagged, our family went through almost a roll a day. So I gave a roll to each person and told them it was a contest to see who could make their roll last the longest.

Our community garden is the biggest energy user in our house. We can cut kitchen timers in each bathroom. This way, we can make sure our family of five keeps their showers five to 10 minutes long. We have yet to run out of hot water, and we’ve reduced our electric bill by 30 percent.

We have a row of rain barrels hooked up to collect rainwater from our roof gutters. We then use it to water our garden and flower beds.

We shop for kids’ clothes, toys and books at thrift stores, consignment shops and on Craigslist.org. We’re not afraid of hand-me-downs; after all, quick clean, they often look as good as new and work just as well!
DMACC golf teams win Iowa Central Invite

The DMACC women’s golf team won their first team championship of the 2015 spring season, taking the Iowa Central Invitational April 2 and 3 at Otter Creek Golf Course in Ankeny. DMACC finished 38 strokes ahead of runner-up Iowa Central Community College (ICC). The DMACC men’s golf team pose with the trophy they received after winning the Iowa Central Invitational April 2 and 3 and at Otter Creek Golf Course in Ankeny. DMACC defeated Kirkwood Community College (KCC) by two strokes in winning the Iowa Central Invitational April 2 and 3 at Otter Creek Golf Course in Ankeny. DMACC finished 38 strokes ahead of runner-up Iowa Central Community College (ICC).

Softball sweeps doubleheaders

The DMACC softball team swept doubleheaders from Southeast Community College (SECC) and North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) April 3 and 4 to improve to 33-6 overall. DMACC could do no better than split a four-game series with North Iowa Area Community College April 3 and 4. DMACC won the nightcap, 16-8, but lost the opener, 8-5. DMACC also won the opener on April 4, 15-12, and DMACC took the second game, 16-13. The split gives the Bears a 17-14 overall record and a 6-6 mark in the Iowa Community College Athletic Conference (ICCAC).

DMACC Softball Sports Calendar

April 8: Softball vs. Southwestern* 2PM
April 9: Baseball vs. Iowa Western, Council Bluffs, IA 1:20 PM
April 11: Softball vs. Ellsworth, Iowa Falls, IA 1 PM
April 11: Baseball vs. Ellsworth, IA 1 PM
April 12: Men’s Golf vs. Iowa Central, Ft. Dodge CC - Ft. Dodge 10 AM
April 12: Women’s Golf vs. Iowa Central, Ft. Dodge CC - 10 AM
April 12: Softball vs. Iowa Lakes, Estherville 12PM
April 15: Softball vs. Iowa Central, Fort Dodge, IA 2 PM
April 18: Softball vs. Willian Penn, J.V.*12 PM
April 18: Baseball vs. Southwestern* 1 PM
*denotes home game at Boone

Baseball splits four-game series

DMACC could do no better than split a four-game series with North Iowa Area Community College April 3 and 4. DMACC defeated Kirkwood Community College (KCC) by two strokes in winning the team championship. The Bears’ Hunter VanVeen took medalist honors with a two-under-par 140. DMACC’s Anthony Mrosla, Ty Mrosla, Hunter VanVeen, and Brian Adams had two hits apiece. DMACC led 8-2 after five innings, but SECC scored six times in the top of the sixth to knot the game at 8-8. DMACC came away with the win behind a four-run rally in the bottom of the sixth. Brown pitched five and a third innings, allowing eight runs. She struck out three and walked three. Freshman Holly Hinkel of North Liberty threw the last inning and two-thirds, allowing three hits and striking out two batters.

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Freshman Brad Mathiowetz of Rochester, Minn., had a pair of hits and drove in three runs in the loss on April 3. Sophomore Anthony Mrosla of Coon Rapids, Minn., and freshman Jacob Adams of Brandon, S.D., had three hits apiece in the game and sophomore Chris Kelly of Boone joined Mathiowetz with two hits.

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Making a case for cursing

by Steven Steigleder
Guest Columnist

Not many people in this world know what to do when confronted with a violent individual. Sure, many think they know what to do, but in truth, no one knows until they are faced with the issue.

I believe that everyone should know what to do to keep themselves safe in any hazardous situation. Knowing what to do means learning several things: self-defense, evacuation skills to get out of the way of danger, and other tools to stay safe in the event of violent individuals.

I have concerns with the fact that we do not train the population on how to deal with violent individuals such as active shooters or other violent individuals. We see more and more cases of this these days. People all around the world and even in our own country are being hurt or worse because of violent people doing terrible things.

There is a system in place from the Department of Homeland Security that all DMACC campuses use, known as A.L.I.C.E., but there are very few students who know what that means or how to put it to action. I believe there should be a readily available course or seminar to teach students what to look for as far as a potential threat. I feel that if the student body were educated to spot the indicators of a violent individual, it would help to mitigate events or keep students on their toes.

Though I think it would be safe to say that most of the population may never see such a scenario unfold in their life, I am a firm believer in being prepared no matter what life throws at us.

Another thing that students could do to keep themselves safe is to stay informed and be on the lookout for things that you need to take self-defense courses. To have a course such as that available to the general student body would help keep them safe in the world. Students would learn skills that they could use when out with friends or at a course walking to their vehicle late at night, or when just traveling to new places. Outside of the classroom, a few different places offer self-defense training, like the Ames Family Martial Arts Center or Iowa State University's collegiate martial arts programs.

In the end, I think that students and the public in general need to better educate themselves in self-defense for situations that are unavoidable in the world. No matter what, all people should have proper training and instruction to counter situations involving violent individuals in dangerous or frightening scenarios. I strongly advise taking a course in self-defense and practicing self-defense techniques and methods.

Steven F. Steigleder is a 24-year-old Iowa native. He is a Sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps and has served since 2009. Steven is attending DMACC for an Associate of Science degree and will transfer to Iowa State University in Spring 2016 to pursue a degree in chemical engineering.

Due to the In My Boots 5k being online and register to run soon approaching. You can still Donate!
Fire pits can spark health problems

(TNS)

With summer approaching, many of us are eagerly anticipating the first night we can gather with loved ones under the stars around a backyard fire pit. But neighbors might have not-so-warm feelings about wood smoke entering their yards and homes. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, wood smoke contains particulates of gases and microscopic particles, and when these microscopic particles get into your eyes and respiratory system, they can cause health problems such as burning eyes, runny nose and breathing difficulty.

As part of its “Burn Wise” program, EPA warns that people who have breathing issues, such as congestive heart failure, angina, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, cystic fibrosis or asthma, should especially limit their exposures to wood smoke. If you’re concerned about smoke emissions from your backyard fire pit, speak to your neighbor about the matter. If the smoke remains an issue to you or your local health or fire department to determine further action.

Film tackles tragedy of sex assaults on campus

(TNS)

At the heart of the problem of sexual assault on college campuses, there is what activist Karen Scharff calls “a tragic paradox.” A rapist and his victim likely know each other; the attacker is someone whom the victim has chosen to spend time with and whom the college has chosen to enroll.

It’s so shocking because everything they had been led to believe by society up until that moment has been: Rapists are monsters, I would know one if I saw one,” said Morris Hoffer, executive director of the Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation. “What they discover is no, some monsters are our neighbors, they’re this guy who up until five minutes ago I really liked him and then they know, oh my God, I have to tell everybody else that this guy that I used to really like is a rapist? But the only reason I know he’s a rapist is I got into this situation that involves vulnerability where I saw a totally different side. But he’s never told everybody else that this guy that I told everybody else that this guy who up until five minutes ago I really liked him and then they know, oh my God, I have to tell everybody else that this guy is a monster.”

For people who have breathing issues, such as congestive heart failure, angina, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, cystic fibrosis or asthma, should especially limit their exposures to wood smoke. If you’re concerned about smoke emissions from your backyard fire pit, speak to your neighbor about the matter. If the smoke remains an issue to you or your local health or fire department to determine further action.

If you’re in the market to buy a fire pit and would like to avoid having smoke drift into your neighbor’s yard or home, some models are specially designed to reduce smoke output. The American-made Backyard Firefly fire pit, for example, utilizes a vertical design that causes the smoke to be combusted in the fire and the remainder to rise vertically, reducing air pollution by over 50 percent from conventional campfires. There are also a multitude of beautifully designed natural gas fire pits currently available. Natural gas fire pits won’t produce smoke, will not evaporate to become the clean to be lighted wood burning fire pits that accumulate ash and soot residue.

If you already own a wood-burning backyard fire pit, you can replace conventional wood with certain varieties of Durafame Logs. Durafame Stax logs are shaped like split wood and burn with the same charred appearance and cracking sounds of a wood fire, but with half the hazardous air pollutants of an equivalent wood fire. Durafame Campfire Roasting Logs create hot coals safe for roasting marshmallows, hot dogs or cooking other campfire foods and produce 60 percent less particulate emissions than an equivalent wood fire. No trees are cut down to produce these logs and they are made of 100 percent renewable resources.

For those who own a wood-burning fire pit and would like to continue using conventional chipped wood, the EPA Burn Wise program advises to use only properly dried wood, because wet wood can create excessive smoke. To allow wood to properly dry, stack wood away from buildings on rails or in the pit, speak to your neighbor about the matter. If the smoke remains an issue to you or your local health or fire department to determine further action.

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**Upcoming Events**

**Date** | **Event** | **Location**
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Apr 8, 2015 | Blood Drive | Bloodmobile 10:30am-1:30pm
Apr 8, 2015 | Grandma M ojo’s M onshine Revival | ISU M-Shop Doors open @ 10 pm $1 A dismision
Apr 9-12 | American Sniper | ISU Carver 101 -Free Admission 7pm & 10pm
Apr 14, 2015 | Open Mic Night | ISU M-Shop, 8pm
Apr 16-19 | Taken 3 | ISU Carver 101 -Free Admission 7pm & 10pm
Apr 16, 2015 | Cyclone Voice | Great Hall, ISU Memorial Union 8pm
Apr 18, 2015 | In M y Boots 5k | Registration currently open online @ http://getmeregistered.com/MyBoots5k
Apr 22, 2015 | Grandma M ojo’s M onshine Revival | ISU M-Shop Doors open @ 10 pm $1 A dismision

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**Your Horoscope this Week**

**Effortless** now that Jupiter's direct. Things that seemed stuck at home now flow with greater ease. Household improvements flourish.

**Romance** sparks spontaneously. Contribute and participate. Share what you love.

**Projects** that were delayed begin to gain momentum, now that Jupiter is direct. Stepping into unexpected leadership. Take charge professionally, and step lively. Practice for the test.

**Focus** on personal matters today and tomorrow. Don't respond automatically to unexpected communications. Just listen. Travels, adventures and studies take new ground now that Jupiter stations direct. Launch an exploration. Visit uncharted territory. Expand your terrain.

**Conserves** resources, but don’t worry about the money. Now that Jupiter is direct, it’s easier to save money. Grow your family fortunes with close observation and steady contributions. Work together to realize a dream.

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**Gemini** (May 21 - June 20) Controversies arise. The next two days are good for negotiations and compromise. Grow a partnership. Communications that seemed blocked or stilted flow freely with Jupiter direct. Open new channels and conversations. Network and strengthen communities. Grow creative collaborations.

**Cancer** (June 21 - July 22) Time to get busy! No more procrastination. Avoid an obvious error. Finances improve markedly, now that Jupiter’s direct. There’s more work, and more profitable opportunities. Share the wealth, and stash some for later. Fortune blesses your endeavors.

**Leo** (July 23 - Aug. 22) Take more time for play today and tomorrow. Put on your super suit and fight for what you believe in. Confidently stride forward with a project you love. You’ve got the power to make things happen.


**Libra** (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Surprising communications require thoughtful response. Collaborations leap forward now that Jupiter is direct. Friendship and community ties bring opportunities and benefits. Get social and play together. Support each other’s creative projects. Talk about practical applications and details.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Fill orders and rake in the pasta. Cash flow improves now.

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**How to please your partner:** When you are confident about the progress that’s been made, you can confidently encourage them to take the initiative.

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