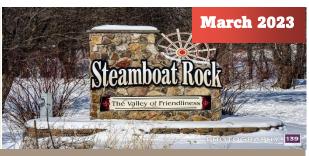
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and Much More!!!





Friendly Valley Times



"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." ~ Ephesians 4:32

Walking on Water

A young man lived on a farm with his family. The family had a fantastic dog that would go down to the pond for hours every day in the spring and summer and practice retrieving various objects. The boy wanted to prepare the dog for the duck season and prepared for the various scenario that may come up. He wanted his dog to be the greatest hunting dog in the county, so he planned. So, the boy and the dog trained vigorously every day for months.

As fall & winter arrived and duck season rolled in, the youngster and his dog were eager to return to their usual place near their home at the pond. Shortly after they reached the pond, they were able to strike a duck that fell right in the middle of the pond.

The boy signaled to retrieve the hunt, and the dog charged toward the duck. However, instead of swimming as it had practiced, the dog walked on the water's surface and retrieved the duck before returning to the youngster. The boy was astounded. His dog's extraordinary ability to walk on water was like magic. However, the boy knew that no one would believe what he had just seen, so he needed someone else to come down and see it for themselves.

The youngster went to a local farmer's property and inquired if he would hunt with him the next day. The neighbor agreed, and they met up the following morning at his usual spot by the pond. The boy and his friend waited for a flock of ducks to fly overhead, and, as soon as they heard them approaching, the boy advised the neighbor to go ahead and take a shot. The neighbor was able to strike a duck. The boy signaled the dog to fetch the duck. Once again, the dog miraculously walked on water and retrieved the duck.

The boy could hardly contain his joy and asked the neighbor," Did you see that? Wasn't that amazing? What do you think?" The neighbor took a deep breath and responded," "I didn't want to mention it, but your dog has no idea how to swim." The kid was in disbelief as his neighbor pointed at a possible fault of the dog rather than recognizing that what he'd just done was a miracle

Moral: People can be hesitant to credit others for their talents or achievements because they don't feel they cannot accomplish and reach similar heights of success. Don't be discouraged by this. Simply move on and keep working on developing yourself. Being successful entails keeping a good attitude. —*All Time Short Stories*

STEAMBOAT ROCK COMMUNITY RESOURCES

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Steamboat Rock Historical Society

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At Large: Keith Griffen Email: jimkkramer@heartofiowa.net

OUR Mission: "To preserve and promote the history of Steamboat Rock and the surrounding area"

Museum Open on Appointment Only

Our museum is now closed again until next Spring. However, if you are in town and would like to tour our museum, please contact me at 641-858-6085 and I would be happy to make arrangements to meet you there.

Would you be willing to join our team?

We still have room for people to join our team as we look to preserver the history of Steamboat Rock. In last month's newsletter, we mentioned the many ways that you could help us. If you are interested and would like to know more about helping us, please contact me at 641-858-6085 or send me an email at jimkkramer@heartofiowa.net

A Note from One of You

Last month, I wrote a short article giving a little history on our bank/museum building. It was so good to hear from one of our readers about something they remembered. Here is a note that I received and want to pass onto each of you.

I read with much interest the story about the Farmer's Exchange Bank in Steamboat.

I used to work there when my husband was <u>doing time</u> in the US Army. I worked with Doris Ruppelt, Anna Doolaard, Bernice Heard, the years were 1958-1960. Well, Luiken Hardware was across the street from the bank and one day Carl Luiken got the idea to put a smoke bomb in Anna's car, while the bank employees enjoyed a cup of coffee together in the bank's backroom & before the bank opened. Well, it created quite a stir on main street with people running in to tell Anna her car was on fire. Of course, Anna didn't think it was one bit funny. Just another day of tricks in Steamboat Rock. No harm was done to Anna's car.

Millie Wickham—Palmer, Alaska

Thank you, Millie, for sending in this note and the previous ones that you have sent me. It is very encouraging to me when I hear from one of our readers. And, back in 1958-1960, I would have been a young boy of 8 years old, and I went to the bank quite often to get a couple of rolls of pennies so that I could find wheat cents to put into my collection. While Anna might not have laughed about the above incident, I do remember Anna having a very hearty laugh! And, my dad, Kenneth Kramer loved to make her laugh.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOOOUUU!!!

May you live a long life, Full of Gladness and Health, with a pocket full of gold as the least of your wealth, May the Dreams you hold dearest, be those which Come True, May the kindness you spread, keep returning to YOU!

March 1st Allen Jaspers
March 13th Damion Homeister
March 23rd Marla Williams
March 24th Shawn Crosser



Pastor Lynn Arends, Steamboat Rock Presbyterian Church and East Friesland Presbyterian Church

According to Forbes and the website Investopedia.com, as of January 4th of this year, the five richest people in the world are:

- 1. Bernard Arnault, CEO of LVMH. They sell high-dollar luxury stuff.
- 2. Elon Musk, the co-founder of Tesla electric automobiles.
- 3. Jeff Bezos, the founder of Amazon.
- 4. Gautam Adani, the founder of Adani Group, a group in India with diverse holdings.
- 5. Bill Gates, no other info needed.

You'll notice my name isn't on that list. I can't begin to match finances with a billionaire. But that's not necessarily a bad thing, right? I mean, even the Bible tells us that money is root of all evil, right? So, it would stand to reason that the more money we have, the more evil we are, right?

Well, we all know that's not true. Even if we don't know any of the five guys on our Forbes list, we know really good people who have money, and maybe lots of it, and they're not anywhere near evil.

That's because we often misread that Bible line about money and evil. Look at it again. Paul writes to Timothy in his

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from the Mayor

Hotel/ Motel tax in Steamboat Rock?

When each of you travel away from home and stay in some kind of overnight accommodations (not your Brother-in-Laws place) you may have paid a hotel/motel or tourism tax. All over the country I have been charged in Airbnb's, VRBO locations, hotels, motels, even municipal campgrounds (and many other campgrounds) for this tax over and above the normal fee, + sales tax, + local option sales tax, +any other surcharge they seem to be able to dream up. This is a sales tax, but only charged to tourists for overnight accommodations. This is not a tax that the owners of such establishments pay out of pocket, this is a usage fee charged their guests for the city to be able to improve municipal functions like streets, sidewalks, parking, bike racks & repair stations, park benches, and more. 50% of the money is to be used to improve the City for and to promote tourism. This tax was first suggested to me three years ago by the owner of a local Airbnb who was already passing through to the city money as a donation at about the same level as the tax would be.

At the regular January 9, 2023 City Council meeting your council passed Resolution #2023-02 to pursue putting a Hotel/Motel tax in place for the City in the amount of 7%. There are about 172 other communities in Iowa that already have this type of tax in place, plus about 20 counties. The tax would be charged by the owners of any "overnight sleeping accommodations to transient (tourists) guests". Plenty of Iowa code on this tax; At least 50% of the money collected through this program must be spent on: "the acquisition of sites for, or constructing, improving, enlarging, equipping, repairing, operating, or maintaining of recreational, convention, cultural, or entertainment facilities including but not limited to memorial buildings, auditoriums, cultural, or entertainment facilities in the city." The other 50% may go into the city general fund for any lawful city purpose.

People from all over are aware and thus come here as tourists due of the natural beauty of the area, plus the River's Edge Bike trail, the Iowa River, the DNR upgrades planned for the Iowa River locally, Sac & Fox Overlook, upgrades planned for the Hardin County Pine Ridge camp ground and "Lodge", and the Timber's Edge Event Center. This would be one way to capture some revenue for the City from those tourists.

Your Hardin County Auditor will sponsor a referendum vote on March 7, 2023 for our community to vote on this proposal. The voting location will be at the Steamboat Rock City Hall on March 7th, 2023. The County Auditor will have staff in place to collect your votes. If passed, this Hotel/Motel tax will go into effect on July 1st, 2023. Your City Council feels this will be a positive thing for the City of Steamboat Rock and encourages you to support this effort by voting "yes" on this public measure.

Thanks Tim Stearns, Mayor

AUTO PAY YOUR UTILITY BILLS (NO Fees!)

Fill out this form and email or drop it off at City Hall please

Direct Deposit Authorization Agreement AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT FOR DIRECT PAYMENTS (ACH DEBITS)

I (we) hereby authorize City of Steamboat Rock, hereinafter called COMPANY, to initiate debit entries to my (our)

*Checking Account *Savings Account (select one) indicated below at the depository financial institution names below,
hereinafter called DEPOSITORY, and to debit the same to such account. I (we) acknowledge that the origination of ACH
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Steamboat Rock Fire Department

I hope that everyone is and has been surviving the winter. But don't forget to do your winterly maintenance. In January, SRFD held a dance fundraiser in cooperation with Happenings. We truly appreciate the generosity that Todd and Heidi show and give our department. The band, Six Pack Jack, played from 9-1pm with plenty of plugs for our department. We had a great turn out and it was estimated that we doubled the crowd. We roughly raised about \$4,300. Our proceeds will be used towards new SCBA Carbon Fiber tanks. These tanks are used for air supply for firefighters when battling or cleaning up at a fire scene. If you were unable to attend and would like to donate, you may send a donation to the Steamboat Rock Fire and Rescue Volunteer Association, PO Box 143, Steamboat Rock, IA 50672.

We have two new members who are currently furthering their fire education: Mary Whitacre and Damion Homeister. They are taking FF1 in Eldora for the next couple of months. Congrats to both of them.

The annual meeting was held between the SRFD and Clay township Trustees. Budget items were discussed, and the Trustees were informed that all members were newly equipped with turnout gear. The search for new/used pumper is still ongoing. They were informed that SRFD had a total of 57 calls for the year.

I will report this now and again in March, but the SRFD could be conducting a fire training on March 18th or 25th on the second story of the school building. If you see smoke coming out a window, please don't be alarmed and don't call for the dire department. If there is smoke any other date, don't hesitate to call. If you have any questions or concerns, please get ahold of any member of our department.

As always, stay Fire safe! Chief Williams

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Steamboat Rock Historical Society

Steamboat Rock in the early 1900's

The attached map/drawing dates back to around 1902/1903. Let me give you a little information on how we came about having this along with a little more information.

Back in 2015, I received an email from a lady out east (not sure where) requesting some information regarding her great-grandmother who lived in Steamboat Rock as a child back in the early 1900's. For a number of reasons, we were not able to connect, and nothing further happened until this past year when I came across her previous emails. We were able to connect again, and she was hoping to come to Steamboat Rock this past summer. However, we were not able to get together. Hopefully, this coming summer, she will be able to visit us here in Steamboat Rock. However, I would add the following information that she gave me along with the map/drawing:

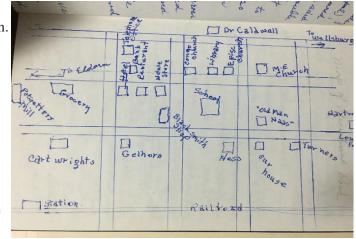
- Her great-grandmother's maiden name was Mildred May Smith. She was born around 1900-1902 and later in life married Verner Joel Smith in Eldora. A note in her files said that "Dad" Verner went into the Hardware and Undertaking business with a friend of many years, Louis Foster.
- In her great-grandmother's diary, she wrote notes of some of the following people in Steamboat Rock: Miss Bauman, the first-grade teacher; Mr. Hess, "Old Man Haas", Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Hess and their daughter Nira; Mrs. Turner (widow) and her son Harry, the banker; the Cartwrights two or three maiden daughter; the Potgetters owned a flour mill; and a number of others. (the above names and notes are just as she wrote them.)
- Her great-grandmother attended the Methodist Episcopal Church in Steamboat Rock.
- She is not buried here in Steamboat Rock but is buried in Redwood City, CA.

The lady that I am communicating with is writing a book about her Great grandmother and is using the diary for a lot of her information. hope that she will visit us in Steamboat Rock this coming summer and that she will bring her diary and book along with her.

Jim Kramer

PS—in looking further at my emails, she told me the following in her last email: A quick note: she compiled the journals over the last 20 years of her life. As a former teacher she spent quite a bit of time compiling firsthand accounts and legal document to support her findings.

I so very much hope she comes to Steamboat Rock this summer. I think we might be able to learn more about what life was like here back in the early 1900's.



Steamboat Rock Public Library

And the winner is Kitty Hemmen for Blind date with a book. We also had a winner for the kids drawing of Ray Tate with a guess of 100 and there were 92 candies in the jar.

Dar has weeded fiction and we have books out for patrons to go through and buy if they choose. We only ask for a donation.

Letters have gone out asking for donations for the summer reading program this year. We have all the programs in place and are looking forward to a great time. If you decide you wish to give a donation for this event or just in general please do so to the Friends of the Steamboat Rock Public Library. Check with the library if you have any questions.

Book club will be on March 9th starting at 2:00. There are always great treats that everyone brings so don't feel that you have to bring something. We do not read the same book, so the different book reviews are fun to listen to.

Please don't forget the library has free Wi-Fi with no password required and it is on 24/7. We also have 7 patron computers and 5 small devices for the kids to use. We have coloring pages, stem kits, Legos, puzzles, and a website called LIBBY where books can be checked out if you wish to read or listen on your own device. Or if you just want to read a book we don't have on the shelves, we can SILO from another library free of charge.

511 W. Market St; Steamboat Rock Phone/Fax: 641-868-2300 www.youseemore.com/nile/steamboatrock or on Facebook @SteamboatRockLibrary

Steamboat Rock Visionary Group / Pride & Betterment

Members: Toni Nederhoff, Mary Gast, Dave Hagberg, Mariah Schurman, Sandy Trampe, Mike Finger, & Bob Hutchcroft

Spring!

Isn't that a nice word! With its arrival our committee will again be looking forward to providing our community a nice park to enjoy. A clean, safe playground, a lighted basketball court, a fantastic pickleball court, a great shelter house, and a porta potty, will be maintained through committee monies and member efforts. We hope you and our community visitors enjoy the park all through the warmer weather coming soon!

Projects!

The committee will be discussing possible projects at our upcoming meetings. We welcome ideas from our fellow community members. Please pass on your ideas to a committee member.

VG/P&B!

The two committees pledged to community improvement have combined. The Pride and Betterment Committee has been around since the early 1990s and the Visionary Group since 2011. We will be discussing a name for the combined committee soon. If you have ideas let us know.

Annual Meeting Steamboat Rock Cemetery Association

Monday March13, 2023 7:00 PM Steamboat Rock Library

Lot owners, descendants of people buried here and those interested in the Cemetery are encouraged to come.



New to the Library

The Nazi Conspiracy by Brad Meltzer and Josh Mensch

Mystery

The House Guest
by Hank Phillippi Ryan
Hidden in the Pines
by Victoria Houston
Cold Light of Day
by Elizabeth Goddard
Off the Deep End
by Lucinda Bery

Murder Book by Thomas Perry Lying Beside You

by Michaell Robotham *It's One of Us* by J.T. Ellison

Fiction

Someone Else's Shoes
by Jojo Moyes
Looking for Jane
by Heather Marshall
I Have Some Questions for You
by Rebecca Makkai
3 Days to Live
by James Patterson

Historical Fiction

Only One Lie by Robyn Carr
The Secret Life of Sunflowers
by Marta Molnfar
Code Name Sapphire
by Pam Jenoff

Romance

Varina Palladino's Jersey Italian Love Story by Terri-Lynne DeFino

Young Adult Nonfiction

Glimmer of Hope

by March for our Lives

Junior Fiction

Wildfire by W.R. Philbrick (Just a reminder there is no charge to check out DVDs to our patrons) Cont'd from Page 2 Pastor Lynn Arends, Steamboat Rock Presbyterian Church and East Friesland Presbyterian Church

first letter, in 6:9 in the New International Version Bible, "Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction."

Well, there again, just because we want to get rich, to be financially secure, does that make us wrong or evil?

I think it's the next verse, verse 10, that clarifies it for us. "For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs."

Notice Paul says that it's the LOVE of money that evil has its' roots in. Not necessarily the money itself, but the love of that money. And Paul goes on to say that because of that love of money, some people have been drawn away from the faith. They've forgotten that our focus shouldn't be on worldly, temporary things; but rather on the things that will last forever. Eternal things.

Paul addresses this same thing when he tells the Corinthians in 2 Corinthians 4:18, again in the NIV, "While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."

Rich people can do a lot of good things with their money. We see it happen every day. But when the money becomes more important than those good things that money does; Paul says, that's where the problem lies.

Jesus says basically the same thing in Matthew 6:24 in the New Living Translation Bible. "No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and be enslaved to money."

So, having money, even too much money, isn't necessarily bad. Just try living without it sometime. But let's not forget who it is that's blessed us with that money. And use it in a way that gives Him the honor and glory.

May God bless you, richly, this month and always.



MAYOR Tim Stearns

"A Valley
Of
Friendliness



COUNCIL MEMBERS

Adam Blackburn
Dave Mull
Kevin Pieters
Cory Schurman
Jon Schurman

The Steamboat Rock City Council met in regular session February 13th, 2023, 6:30 p.m. in the City Council chambers. Present were Mayor Stearns and the following council members: Adam Blackburn, Dave Mull, Kevin Pieters, and Cory Schurman. Absent: Jon Schurman. Also present were JJ Veld, Julie Winters, Scott Williams, JD Holmes, Dawn Schaa, and by zoom Renee Oltrogge.

Mayor Stearns called the meeting to order. Pieters moved, seconded by Mull to approve the posted agenda. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Pieters moved to approve the minutes of the January 9th, 2023 council meeting, seconded by C. Schurman. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters the motion to approve City bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman. Staff hours were not presented.

Mayor Stearns requested to appoint Dawn Schaa as City Clerk. Pieters moved, seconded by C. Schurman to make the appointment. Roll call; Blackburn – aye, Mull – aye, Pieters – aye, C. Schurman – aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Mayor Stearns requested to approve Dawn Schaa on all banking accounts. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve Dawn as signor and access on all banking relationships. Roll call; Blackburn – aye, Mull – aye, Pieters – aye, C. Schurman – aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Public comments: 508 W Main St presented a building permit. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Mull to approve the building permit. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman. 508 W Main St presented a poultry permit. Pieters moved, seconded by Mull to approve the permit. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Melissa Johanson, no report. Library PO# 2023020101, J.C. Powers and PO #2023020102, Mid-America Printing were presented for approval. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve the PO's. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Fire Department presented paperwork to be signed for the funds transfer for payment on new fire uniforms. Williams presented PO# 87 for shop supplies. Pieters moved, seconded by Blackburn to approve PO #87. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman. Williams presented PO# 88 for Compressed Air \$130.00. Blackburn moved, seconded by C. Schurman to approve PO #88. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

River Rd Sewer Project & Hardin County Conservation Hook Up. Mayor Stearns advised the grant application is moving forward and the new County Conservation sewer is on hold until the City is able to get the grant approval.

Road repairs Veld reported a \$20,000/day fee to fill cracks, might be entire City in one day. Later the same year level up the cracks for another \$20,000/day fee, most of the City completed in one day. The two processes could be done in one calendar year, but over two fiscal years. This company does not patch holes and the patching needs to be completed first.

Nuisance Ordinance Update. final pending.

Municipal Infractions Ordinance Update. final pending.

Animal Control Code Ordinance Update. final pending.

How do we keep increasing pedestrian tourist traffic safe while crossing roadways in Steamboat Rock discussion requested by Mayor Stearns. Julie Winters from Regions VI discussed DOT grant options. Mayor Stearns advised we would need approval from the County Engineer to do anything on the County Roads.

Mayor Stearns advised still working on ATV/UTV Code update.

Mayor Stearns discussed the IDNR proposed additional river parking and river access on City property north of the City solar panel at an estimated cost of about \$265,000. Mayor Stearns advised the IDNR has paid for the archeological study which did not require any further discovery or action. IDNR has paid for the landscape engineering that we have been using in the discussions. IDNR would consider a grant application in the amount of \$196,000. The city could apply for a \$25,000 Hardin County Community Endowment Fund Grant as part of the project. The city could apply for a \$35,000 grant from the Wellmark Foundation as part of the project. Discussed the layers of grant applications with a total estimated cost share needed of about \$10,000 from the City. Mayor Stearns met with the Hardin County Board of Supervisors on 2/13/23 requesting the ability to borrow the \$10,000 City share of the project. Board of Supervisors approved the request with favorable repayment terms of 5 annual \$1,000 payments and if all made on time, forgive the remaining \$5,000. The required \$10,000 match for all these grants could also tap volunteer time, in-kind, and cash donations in lieu of funds. This project would likely get underway in late 2024. Upkeep and maintenance by the City was discussed and estimated at a minimum of \$2,000 for rock and mowing annually. Julie Winters from Regions VI confirmed the grant options.

Max Tax Levy presented by Mayor Stearns. C. Schurman moved, seconded by Pieters to approve The Max Levy to be approved and submitted to the Iowa Department of Management. Roll Call – Blackburn – aye, Pieters – aye, Mull – aye, C. Schurman – aye. Motion carried unanimously. Absent – J. Schurman.

Mayor Stearns requested Budget Hearing Date to be set during the next council meeting March 13th, 2023. Pieters moved, seconded by Blackburn to set the Budget Hearing Date as March 13th, 2023 at 6:30 pm. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman.

Resolution #2023-04 Hardin County Endowment Tidal Wave Grant application for \$25,000 was presented. Blackburn moved, seconded by C. Schurman to adopt Resolution #2023-04. Roll call vote, Adam Blackburn- yes, Dave Mull – no, Kevin Pieters – no, Cory Schurman- yes. Resolution failed. Absent: J. Schurman. Resolution #2023-05 Wellmark Foundation Build grant in the amount of \$35,000 and Resolution #2023-06 for the ability to borrow \$10,000 from Hardin County were no longer relevant to present for consideration since both were contingent on the ability to move forward with Resolution #2023-04

Mayor Stearns presented a request to abandon all north/south alleys not adjacent to any other property owners, for Haven's property 207 Madison including pasture. Pieters moved to approve, seconded by Mull. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman.

Mayor Stearns discussed the renewal of insurance.

Mayor Stearns discussed the EMC Ask a Nurse program and how it related to workman's compensation claims for the city including the fire department.

Mayor Stearns presented renewal for the liquor license for Happenings. Pieters moved to approve the license, seconded by Mull. Motion carried unanimously, Absent: J. Schurman.

Mayor's comments: Dawn will make some calls to get some City-Wide Clean-up dates.

Mull moved to adjourn the meeting, Blackburn seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: J. Schurman. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

| Timothy A. Stearns, Mayor | Dawn Schaa, City Clerk |
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looking Ahead...

Saturday March 4th BEACH Party/Karaoke @Happenings 9p-1a Monday, March 13th City Council Meeting 6:30pm @city hall Saturday, March 18th LIVE Music @Happenings Clint Riedel 9-1 Saturday, March 18th OR 25th Fire Training-2nd Floor of School

Recycling March 13th & 27th

Every Wednesday @6:30pm- SRBC Awanas Club



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