

Council Meeting



April 10, May 8, June 12

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101 Story Street

Slater Library Programs



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April 12&13  
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Slater Fireman's Side by Side poker run



April 29th  
9:00 am

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City Wide Yard Sale



June 3 8 am-1pm

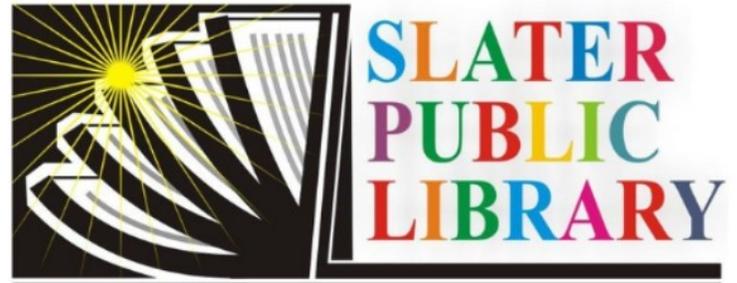
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HERE'S  
THE  
SCOOP!



# Spring

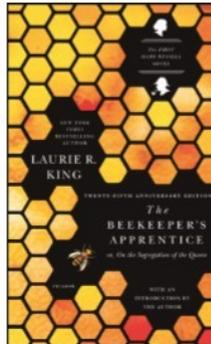
April and May 2023



105 N Tama 515-228-3558 www.slaterlibrary.org  
Hours: M-TH 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m. - noon

## Book Club

The selection for April is *The Beekeeper's Apprentice* by Laurie R. King. Discussion will be on Thursday, April 20 at 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.



In 1915, Sherlock Holmes is retired and quietly engaged in the study of honeybees in Sussex when a young woman literally stumbles onto him on the Sussex Downs. Fifteen years old, gawky, egotistical, and recently orphaned, the young Mary Russell displays an intellect to impress even Sherlock Holmes. Under his reluctant tutelage, this very modern, twentieth-century woman proves a deft protégée and a fitting partner for the Victorian detective. They are soon called to Wales to help Scotland Yard find the kidnapped daughter of an American senator, a case of international significance with clues that dip deep into Holmes's past.

## Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 1 at 10 A.M.

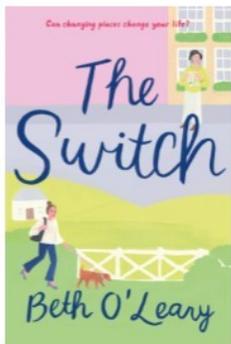
Nelson Park

Ages: Toddlers - 3rd grade



We are so excited to be planning our Easter Egg Hunt with funding from the Friends of SPL and Community Club. It will be held at **Nelson Park at 10 a.m.** Similar to last year's hunt, kids will be put into groups according to their age.

Be sure to stop at the Log Cabin to see the Easter Bunny and purchase some baked goods at the Friends of SPL bake sale.

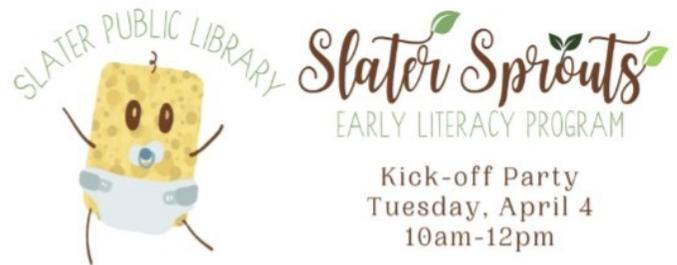


The selection for May is *The Switch* by Beth O'Leary. Discussion will be on Thursday, May 18 at 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

When overachiever Leena Cotton is ordered to take a two-month sabbatical after blowing a big presentation at work, she escapes to her grandmother Eileen's house for some long-overdue rest.

Eileen is newly single and about to turn eighty. She'd like a second chance at love, but her tiny Yorkshire village doesn't offer many eligible gentlemen.

So they decide to try a two-month swap. Eileen will live in London and look for love. She'll take Leena's flat, and learn all about casual dating, swiping right, and city neighbors. Meanwhile Leena will look after everything in rural Yorkshire: Eileen's sweet cottage and garden, her idyllic, quiet village, and her little neighborhood projects. Will swapping lives help Eileen and Leena find themselves...and maybe even find true love?



Kick-off Party  
Tuesday, April 4  
10am-12pm

We are very excited to introduce Slater Sprouts. It is our new Early Literacy Program developed for children ages birth to 24 months. This is a reading incentive program designed to help you give your child their best start at fostering a love for learning and books. We are eager for your child to become one of our Slater Sprouts!

Drop-in anytime between 10 a.m. and noon on Tuesday, April 4 at our kick-off to register your Sprout. You will receive a starter packet and a board book. We will have several activities available to keep your little Sprout busy. If you are unable to attend, you can sign-up anytime after April 4 through our website for this ongoing program.

## Meet n Eat

Meet n' Eat is scheduled for **Friday, April 7**. The free-will lunch and dessert will be served at 11:30 a.m. with the program starting at noon.

Kevin Stalder will be presenting a program about his travels to Rwanda, Africa.

He will be sharing unique stories of 3 adventures to the infamous volcanic range, the Virungas. His experiences will entertain you and the Mountain Gorillas will definitely impress you!



In May, Meet n' Eat is scheduled for **Friday, May 5**. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. with our guest speaker, Donald Shurr, presenting a program on the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Donald is a Certified Prosthetist/Orthotist and Physical Therapist who has lived in Iowa since 1964. An author of many articles and books, Don has taught at the University of Iowa in Physical Therapy for 25 years. In addition, Don was trained in St. Charles, Missouri, to pilot the reenactment boats used during the Bicentennial commemoration of the Corp of Discovery expedition. The audience will be exposed to the many "firsts" that occurred in Iowa, the true peril of this journey, and the return of Lewis and Clark to civilization at journey's end.



## Summer Reading

### Registration begins May 1

The theme this summer is Oceans of Possibilities! We are excited and busy planning activities, crafts, and entertainment for the upcoming summer reading program. The kick off will be June 6 followed by 5 weeks of fun! Check our website for schedules and registration details as they come available.

# OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES™



## Evening Programs



Join us for Chicken Chat on Monday, April 10. We will be discussing all things chicken from hatching to raising. Bring your questions and a love for our feathered friends.

McKenzie has some fun crafts planned for the whole family. On April 25, she will be making bookmarks with pressed flowers and in May she will teach you how to make your own sugar scrub. These will be great gifts for Mother's Day!

All ages welcome. Children under 12 must be accompanied with an adult.

## Programs

**Slater Tots - Wednesdays, 10 a.m.**

**Early-Out Program - Wednesdays, 1:30-3:00 p.m.**

**Yoga - Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00-9:45 a.m.**

**Easter Egg Hunt - April 1, 10 a.m. @ Nelson Park**

**Slater Sprouts Kick-off - April 4, 10 a.m. - noon**

**Meet n' Eat - April 7 & May 5, 11:30 a.m.**

**Chicken Chat - April 10, 5:30 p.m.**

**Book Club - April 20 & May 18, 10 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.**

**Bookmark Craft - April 25, 4:30 p.m.**

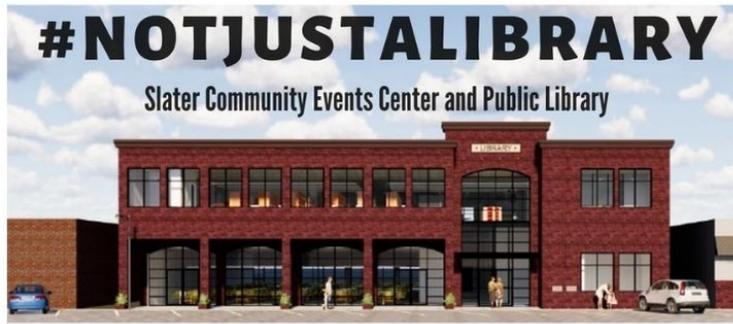
**Summer Reading Registration begins - May 1**

**Mother's Day Craft - May 11, 5:30 p.m.**

## SPL Website

Use our website to stay current with all of our programs and resources that are available to you and your family. We have recently updated our book recommendations. If you need some ideas for new reads for yourself, just click on the Resources tab and scroll down to recommendations. You will find suggestions we have compiled based on what our patrons enjoy, books we currently have in our collection, as well as links to additional resources for each genre listed. Let us help you find your next best read!





## Just how busy is the Slater Public Library?

The short answer: VERY busy! Nearly 10,000 people attended our library programs for toddlers, preschoolers, elementary, young adult, and adult programs in fiscal year 2021.

Using State of Iowa Statistics for ALL public libraries, here is how our library ranks in total program attendance.



Rank in Iowa for Program Attendance	Library	Total Attendance FY 2021
1	Marion	25462
2	Cedar Falls	15444
3	Iowa City	15039
4	Newton	12143
5	Ely	12111
6	Hiawatha	10,760
7	Norwalk	10717
8	Spencer	10171
9	Burlington	9957
<b>10</b>	<b>Slater</b>	<b>9763</b>
11	Urbandale	9408
12	Marshalltown	9318



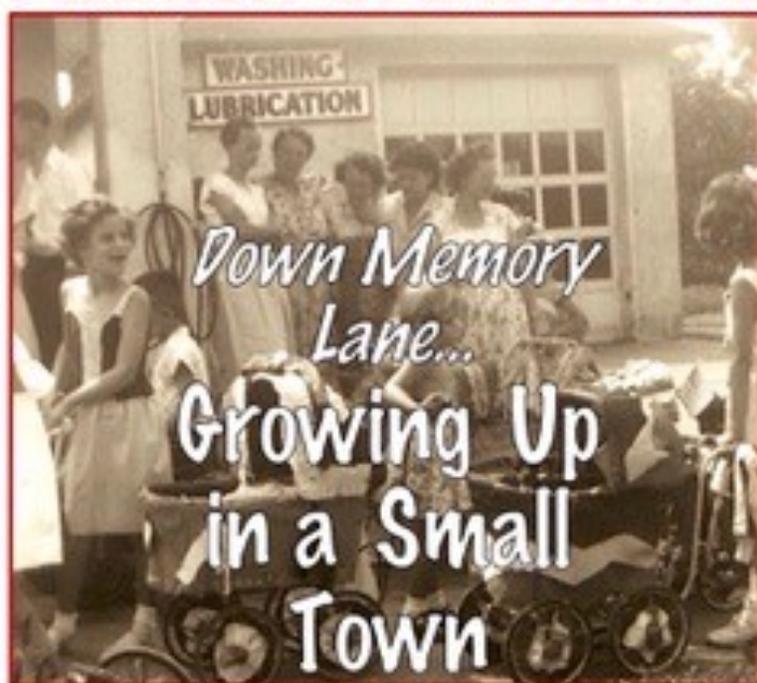
Want more information? Check out the Library's Building Project page



## THE SLATER AREA HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Heritage Hall Museum, 318 First Avenue, Slater [www.slaterhistory.org](http://www.slaterhistory.org) [slaterhist@huxcomm.net](mailto:slaterhist@huxcomm.net)

### NEW EXHIBIT OPENING IN MAY!



*Ready for the Fourth of July Parade, early 1950's*

We are re-introducing *Growing Up in a Small Town* exhibit to you, and we are planning a *Down Memory Lane* program for all of you who would love to share what it was like to grow up in Slater. Did you know the kids would ride their bicycles behind the trucks spraying DDT for mosquitos? The fog it made was really sci-fi! Just one of the many memories from the exhibit!

You are invited to share refreshments and memories!

**Growing Up in a Small Town**  
Exhibit Opening Thursday, May 18  
Down Memory Lane Program at 1:00 p.m.  
**SAVE THE DATE!**

### COMING IN SEPTEMBER - STORIES OF VIETNAM



#### HELP US TELL THE HISTORY

We are asking our veterans to consider sharing with us memories of your time in the Armed Forces during the Vietnam Conflict. Please take this opportunity to tell future generations about what it was like for you. Contact us. We will guide you through it and record your memories or you can write them up for us. We want to record this era in our lives while we still can.  
*Thank you!*

SAHA announces a new exhibit planned for September. Titled *Stories of Vietnam*, the exhibit plans to collect and display the stories that our veterans tell us about their experiences during the Vietnam War. The exhibit is planned to have several parts. 1) An Overall Timeline 2) About the Draft 3) The Homefront/The Media 4) The Stories 5) A Doctor Drafted to Vietnam, His Story 6) Those We Lost 7) The Memorials, Aftermath. **Help us tell the history!**

You can contact us by phone, text, or email, talk to us at the museum, or write your story and send it to us. Call or text 515-480-9789. Email [louiseaodo@gmail.com](mailto:louiseaodo@gmail.com)



## Poker Run

1<sup>st</sup> Annual Side by Side

Slater Fireman's Association

April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – 9:00 AM

Pre-registration forms available.

Email registration form to [slaterfd@huxcomm.net](mailto:slaterfd@huxcomm.net)

Registration fee collected the day of poker run.

### Route:

1. Nitehawk Bar & Grill –
- Biscuits and gravy included with registration
2. The Tattered Toad
3. Flight Bar + Grille
4. Whatcha Smokin' BBQ + Brew
5. Flat Tire Lounge
6. The Slater Station

Registration  
**\$35**

Extra poker  
hands  
**\$10**

Registration day of- Nitehawk Bar & Grill @ 7:30 AM with departure at 9:00 AM. Lunch stop Whatcha Smokin'.

Visit our Facebook page for updates and further information

# FIRE DANCE

3 JUNE

3PM

NELSON PARK SLATER

FAMILY FUN 3PM	KRAFT BROTHERS 4PM	THE HAT GUYS 8PM
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SLATER FIRE DEPARTMENT



# Slater Swim Lessons 2023

Sign-Up is @  
Slater



City Hall (101 Story St.)

**Wednesday, April 12<sup>th</sup> 5:30PM - 6:30PM**

**Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30PM - 6:30PM**

## Lessons

Session 1: June 19 – June 30

Times for sessions 1&2 are

Session 2: July 10-22

9:00a, 10:00a & 11:00a only!

Session 3: July 31-Aug 12

Times for Session 3 are  
6:00p & 7:00p only!

- Classes meet, M-TH. Fridays shall serve as a rain make up days if needed.
- Enrollment will be accepted 1<sup>st</sup> come, first serve. There are limited numbers of students allowed in each level at each time.
- Must be 5 years of age by the 1<sup>st</sup> day of lessons.
- \$40 per session. **No refunds will be given except for medical emergencies.**

For definitions of these levels and a check list of things students need to be able to do to be in each level, go to the City of Slater's website ([www.slateriowa.org](http://www.slateriowa.org)) and follow the links to *Parks & Recreation*, *Community Pool* and then *Lessons*.

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**\*\*\*\*SEASON PASSES will be on sale during sign up.\*\*\*\***  
**Save \$\$\$ by purchasing your season pass before May 26th.**

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## **Ballard Sharks Swim Club**

- ◇ Swimmers must be between the ages of 6-18 and be able to swim one length of the legal freestyle (crawl), and one length of legal backstroke.
- ◇ Practices will be held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings 7AM – 9AM June through July.

Meets are held Tuesday evening. Participation in meets is encouraged, but not required.

For more Info... go to <http://sites.google.com/site/ballardsharksswimclub/>

# SLATER SWIM LESSON REGISTRATION

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ AGE (as of 1<sup>st</sup> day of lessons): \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #'S: \_\_\_\_\_ OR \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT: (Other than yourself or spouse)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL AND/OR OTHER CONDITIONS STAFF SHOULD BE AWARE OF?

\_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL INSURANCE CARRIER:

\_\_\_\_\_

PARENT / GUARDIAN SIGNATURE SIGNATURE/AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT:

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

I / WE, THE PARENT / GUARDIAN OF THE ABOVE PARTICIPANT, GIVE MY / OUR PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN SLATER SWIM LESSONS AT THE SLATER MUNICIPAL POOL. I / WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS SOME INHERENT RISK INVOLVED WITH THIS ACTIVITY AND THAT NOT ALL INJURIES CAN BE PREVENTED. THEREFORE, I DO HEREBY WAIVE, RELEASE, AND AGREE NOT TO HOLD THE ORGANIZERS, SPONSORS, SUPERVISORS, CITY OF SLATER, EMPLOYEES OR OFFICIALS, OR ANY VOLUNTEERS LIABLE FOR ANY INJURIES THAT MAY OCCUR DURING THIS ACTIVITY.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

For office use only:

SESSION: \_\_\_\_\_ LEVEL: \_\_\_\_\_ TIME: \_\_\_\_\_ PAID: \_\_\_\_\_

# POOL PASS

ACCOUNT HOLDER NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

DID YOU HAVE A PASS LAST YEAR? \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU STILL HAVE YOUR TAGS? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT KIND OF PASS:

FAMILY \_\_\_ FAMILY PLUS \_\_\_ DAYCARE \_\_\_ SENIOR \_\_\_  
20 PUNCH \_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT (not Account Holder)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

PASS MEMBERS:

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	TAG NUMBER

**Pool hours: noon– 7pm**

- **Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by a responsible person who is 14 years of age or older**
- **If you purchase a pool pass you MUST have it with you to get in or pay daily rate.**
- **If any questions call City Hall 515-685-2531**

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Just Think...

Pool weather is right around the corner...

Really!!

The Slater Municipal Pool is currently taking applications for  
**Managers**  
**Lifeguards**  
**And**  
**Bathhouse**

Applications are available at Slater City Hall or go to [www.slateriowa.org](http://www.slateriowa.org) and print one off.

Must be at least 15 years of age to lifeguard, and 14 for bathhouse.

<u>Fees:</u>	<b>Slater</b>		<b>Kelley, Huxley, Cambridge &amp; Sheldahl</b>		<b>All Others</b>	
	Through May 31st	June 1st & After	Through May 31st	June 1st & After	Through May 31st	June 1st & After
<b>Daily</b>	X	\$3.00	X	\$4.00	X	\$4.00
<b>20 punch tickets</b>	\$55.00	\$60.00	\$60.00	\$70.00	\$67.50	\$77.50
<b>Individual Pass</b>	\$70.00	\$85.00	\$76.50	\$91.50	\$86.25	\$101.25
<b>Family Pass*</b>	\$125.00	\$140.00	\$137.00	\$152.00	\$155.00	\$170.00
<b>Family Plus (babysitter pass)**</b>	\$150.00	\$165.00	\$164.50	\$179.50	\$186.25	\$201.25
<b>Daycare ***</b>	\$55.00	\$65.00	\$60.00	\$70.00	\$67.50	\$77.50
<b>Senior</b>	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
	(Must reside IN city limits)					

# SUPPORT Us!



We are looking for  
volunteers to serve on our  
Parks and Rec board

Call or stop by City  
Hall if interested

Please reach out if you can spend a few  
hours with us each month developing ways  
to make our parks and recreational  
programs even greater.

## SLATER PARKS & REC TENNIS CAMP

ARE YOUR KIDS INTERESTED IN LEARNING  
MORE ABOUT TENNIS? GET THEM  
STARTED TODAY BY SIGNING UP FOR YOUTH TENNIS CAMP!

# JUNE 7, 8, & 9

## AT GRIMM PARK.

### FOR CHILDREN AGES 6-13.

AGES 6-8 WILL MEET FROM 9-9:30 FOR \$20  
AGES 9-13 FROM 9:30-10:30 FOR \$30.

REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE

PICKED UP AT CITY HALL OR PRINTED OFF AT

[WWW.SLATERIOWA.ORG](http://WWW.SLATERIOWA.ORG)

(PARKS & REC PAGE). PLEASE REGISTER BY

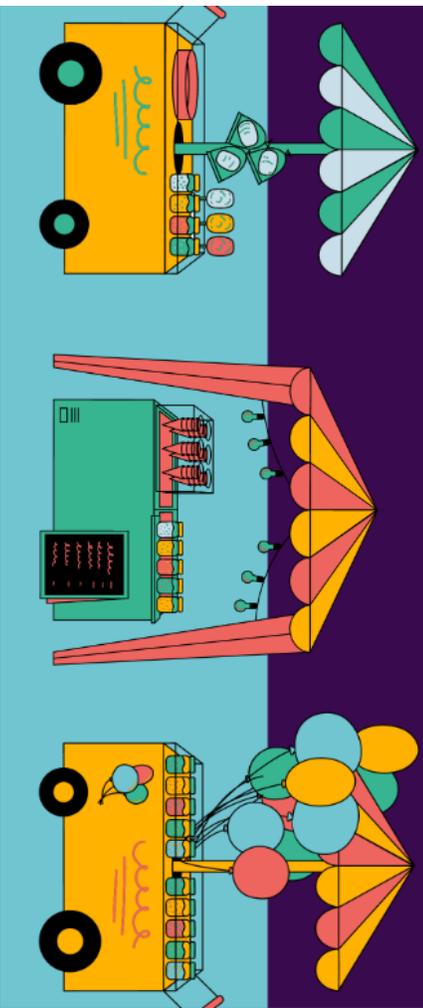
# JUNE 2ND!

SLATER'S

# TUESDAY NIGHT MARKET 2023

JUNE 6-AUGUST 15 | 405 MAIN STREET

6 PM -  
9 PM



We are looking for vendors of all shape and kinds. Crafts, Baked goods, Fresh produce, food trucks and entertainment.

Vendor fee is \$15 per week with 100% of the fees going to the Slater Library Building Fund. If sign up for all 10 weeks it is \$10

Bring own table and tents, no electricity or Wi-Fi  
10\*10 space

For more information contact City Hall 515-685-2531

## Slater Garden & Study Club

### Plant & Bake Sale



Saturday, May 13th

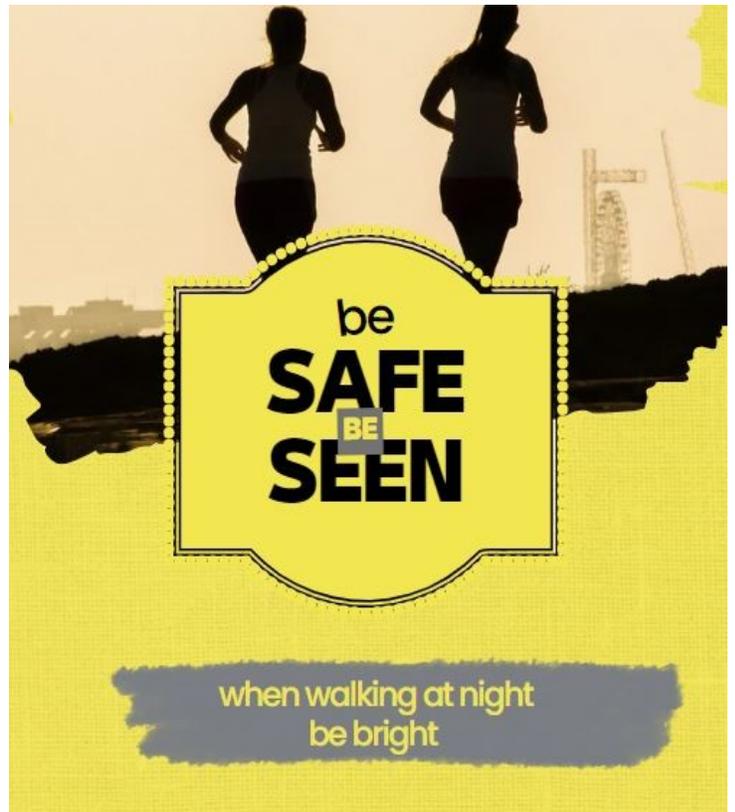
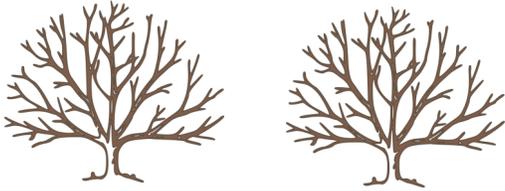
8:00 am - 1:00pm

Slater Fire Station



## Branch Clean up day/ Chipping Day

This is your chance to spruce up those trees and bushes ...branches /limbs (NO Leaves please) need to be **dropped off** at public works shop located at **105 Greene Street** **Monday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 3p-6p**



A friendly reminder to be respectful to your neighbors and pick up after your pets



## Outdoor warning sirens

Warm weather signals the arrival of sever storm season

### Did you know:

- The sirens sound as warnings for people outdoors. They may or may not be heard from inside a building.
- Sirens are tested the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month at noon.
- Story County will sound outdoor warning sires for tornadoes , wind greater than 70mph and hail 1.75"





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