

City Newsletter

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ATTENTION ALL AVOCA UTILITY CUSTOMERS:

**A large number of utility customer
accounts are in need of updated information.**

This includes contact numbers and mailing addresses,
and specifically PO BOX #'s.

Please call City Hall 712-343-2424 option 1

**The City of Avoca would like to remind you to complete your cat or
dog license application for the 2025 year ASAP.**

A completed application form and up-to-date rabies vaccination is required.



Pet Owners have the month of February to license pets. **Starting on March 1st there will be a \$5 fee placed on each pet for each month that it is not licensed on time.** Letters were mailed in December with a yellow highlighted return address.

If you have any further questions, please call City Hall.

***If your pet is no longer living with you or you have
suffered the loss of your pet, please notify us and
we will remove you from our records.***

February 17 brings **Presidents' Day**, a federal holiday also known as Washington's Birthday that is celebrated on the third Monday in February. (George Washington's actual birthday is February 22!)

ALL CITY OFFICES, AND DEPARTMENTS, AND LIBRARY, WILL BE OPEN.
Trash Pickup is normal.

See page 4 and 5 for Avoca CountryView Golf 2025 fees!



**Discount of 5% for all season passes
Paid by March 14, 2025.**



Gift Certificates available!

Avoca Aquatic Center

Avoca CountryView Golf and Grille

Come to City Hall during regular business hours and purchase in

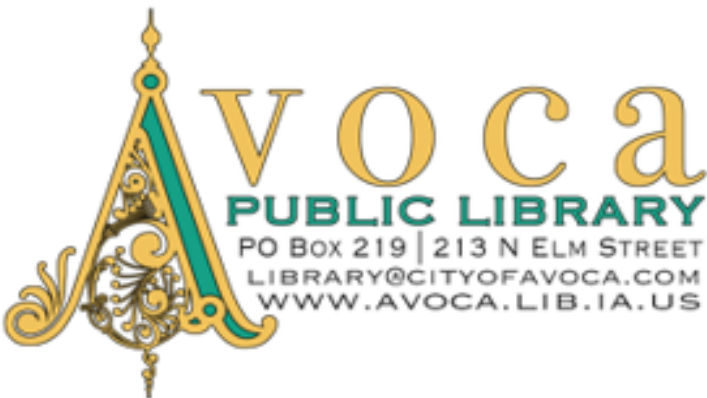
2025 CALENDAR YEAR CITY OF AVOCA - DOG/CAT TAG APPLICATION

Owner Information (Please Print & Fill out completely)		Veterinarian Information	
Full Name		Clinic name and address:	
Address Apt #			
City	State	ZIP	
IMPORTANT: The following will be used to contact you if your pet is found		Verification of Spayed/Neutered Pet	
Home Phone Cell Phone		I, _____, (print veterinarian's name)	
Email Address		verify that the pets listed below as sterilized are, in fact, spayed or neutered.	
Affirmation of Owner: Each pet listed below has a current rabies inoculation according to state law. Please enter the rabies tag number in the appropriate box below.		Vet or City Employee may verify (please refer to Vaccination Sheet from Veterinarian's Office).	
Signature of Owner Date		City Employee Date	

Pet Information

Pet Name	Breed	Color(s)	Species	Gender	Sterile	Fertile	Rabies Tag #	Vacc. Expires	City Tag #
			Dog/Cat	M/F	\$20.00	\$26.00			
			Dog/Cat	M/F	\$20.00	\$26.00			
			Dog/Cat	M/F	\$20.00	\$26.00			

Please make check payable to: \$ _____ \$ _____
"City of Avoca" Sterile + Fertile = Total Paid: \$ _____



Blind Date with a Book

Find a literary love this Valentine’s Day, at the Avoca Public Library. We’ll be hosting Blind Date with a Book from February 1 through February 15. Patrons can check out a book that’s wrapped up to conceal it’s identity, with a few clues to entice you into just the right meet cute for your reading preferences. No sign-up is required; just stop by and let destiny guide you to a new romance.



Wednesday Morning Storytime



Every Wednesday morning at 10:30, the Avoca Public Library hosts a children’s storytime, where we foster a love of literature by reading age-appropriate books and developing core skills through crafts, activities, and play.

Library Staff Pick

Be sure to check out the Avoca Public Library’s website for a fantastic February read. Jeremy has a great recommendation for you! As always, you can find any previous picks there that you may have missed. Find them all in the Reading Suggestions section under the Services tab (<https://www.avoca.lib.i.a.us/services/reading-suggestions>).

Hours of Operation

Monday	10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Thursday	10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
Sunday	Closed

Upcoming Events

2/5:	10:30 a.m.	Children’s Storytime
2/7:	1:00 p.m.	Friday Club
2/10:	1:00 p.m. –3:00 p.m.	League of Human Dignity Visitation
	6:00 p.m.	Library Board Meeting
2/12:	10:30 a.m.	Children’s Storytime
2/14:	1:00 p.m.	Friday Club
2/19:	10:30 a.m.	Children’s Storytime
	7:00 p.m.	Read-It-or-Not Book Club
2/21:	1:00 p.m.	Friday Club
2/24:	10:00 a.m.	Movie Monday
2/26:	10:30 a.m.	Children’s Storytime
2/28:	1:00 p.m.	Friday Club

Angel’s Care Home Health

Join us at the Avoca Public Library, Saturday, February 22, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., when Julie Karns will be joining us from Angels Care Home Health to discuss the difference between home care and home health.



December by the Numbers

Visitors to the library:	638
Physical check-outs:	971
Digital items:	272
New items to the collection:	58
Number of programs:	10
Program attendees:	70

Avoca CountryView Golf and Grille

2025 GOLF COURSE SEASON PASS APPLICATION

IF PAID IN FULL BY MARCH 14TH 2025 A 5% DISCOUNT WILL BE APPLIED TO THE SEASON PASS ONLY.

PRIMARY NAME OF PASS HOLDER _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____ PO BOX _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

CONTACT #: (_____) _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

PLEASE LIST NAMES & DATE OF BIRTH FOR EACH PERSON LISTED ON SEASON PASS.

1.	DOB	4.	DOB
2.	DOB	5.	DOB
3.	DOB	6.	DOB

FEE FOR TOURNAMENT, SPECIAL EVENTS, & LARGE ROUP OUTINGS **ARE NOT** INCLUDED IN FULL SEASON PASSES

PASS	AMOUNT	DATE PD	CASH-CC-CHECK-INSTALLMENT
FAMILY SEASON	\$625.00		
FAMILY FIRST TIME	\$380.00		
SINGLE PASS AGE 23 and older	\$380.00		
STUDENT PASS AGE 16-22	\$125.00		
1/2 FAMILY (AFTER JULY 4 TH)	\$365.00		
1/2 SINGLE (AFTER JULY 4 TH)	\$200.00		

PASS HOLDER SIGNATURE AND DATE

CLUBHOUSE/CITY SIGNATURE AND DATE

2025 CART SHED and CART PATH FEES

Cart Shed & Course Maintenance Fee YES NO
Cart Stored at Home & Course Maintenance Fee Only YES NO

RENTERS NAME _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

Description	Fee	Barn #	Stall #	Date Paid
GAS CART SHED & COURSE MAINTENANCE FEE	\$220.00			
ELECTRIC CART SHED & COURSE MAINTENANCE FEE	\$275.00			
COURSE MAINTENANCE FEE ONLY	\$75.00			
LOCKER FEE	\$30.00			

Total _____

Clubhouse/City Hall Signature _____ Date _____

All Sheds Must Be Paid In Full By March 31, 2025.

\$25 PENALTY APPLIED ON APRIL 1, 2025

**IF NOT PAID BY APRIL 30, 2025, THE CART
WILL BE TOWED BEGINNING MAY 1, 2025**

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL CITY HALL: 712- 343-2424

Avoca Volunteer Fire and Rescue

JANUARY CALLS FOR SERVICE through the 29th:

19 EMS Avoca

1 MVA (MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT)


3 Fire Avoca

5 Good Intent

February Prevention Tips

- ⇒ Keep space heaters at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn, including curtains, upholstery and clothing.
- ⇒ Ensure that vehicles are not left running inside any garage or building.
- ⇒ Keep chimneys and intake/exhaust vents for furnaces and heating appliances free of debris, ice & snow accumulations to reduce the risk of carbon monoxide (CO) build-up from inefficient combustion.

Animal Control Service Through Pott. County

- Pottawattamie Animal Control Officers work with the community to identify animals in distress, at risk, or who are a disturbance.
- Animal Control will also help owners looking  for lost animals.

Contact Pott County Animal Control at:

712-328-5851 or 712-366-1143

You can also call the non-emergency number:

712-328-5737

Follow Animal Control at:

<https://www.publichealth.pottcounty-ia.gov/>

Look for the paw print !



Planning a Home Improvement Project This Spring?

Don't Forget Your Building Permit!

As you prepare for renovations or construction projects, remember that a **building permit is required** for most types of work, including:

- ☒ New Construction
- ☒ Additions & expansions
- ☒ Structural alterations & repairs
- ☒ Demolition & removals
- ☒ Changes in occupancy or use

Building permits ensure compliance with safety regulations and city codes. Permit fees are outlined in **Chapter 10** of the City Code, and the full **Building Code can be found in Chapter 8.5**.

- ⇒ **How to Apply:** Submit your permit request using the form available at cityofavoca.com or by visiting Avoca City Hall. For questions, call **712-343-2424, option 1**.
- ⇒ **Approval Process:** The city's contracted Building Consultant reviews all permits, and payments are processed at City Hall.
- ⇒ **Avoid Penalties:** Failure to obtain the necessary permit is a **municipal offense** per **Chapters 4.2 and 4.5** of the City Code.

Ensure your project is safe, legal, and up to code—**get your permit before you build!**



Mission of the Avoca Main Street is to sustain our downtown district as the economic cultural and social center of our community by utilizing the four point approach of Main Street America.

AHSTW Students Gain Real-World Experience Through New Social Media Marketing Internship



Avoca Main Street, Inc. and AHSTW Community School District have partnered to create an exciting new opportunity for students and local businesses alike.

The Small Business Social Media Marketing Internship is a pilot program designed to give AHSTW students real-world experience in digital marketing while providing valuable marketing support to Avoca businesses.



Through this initiative, two local businesses, **Raddberry's Bakery and Cafe** and **Holtz Service and Small Engine**, have teamed up with AHSTW students to enhance their social media presence. **Bryanna Wood** and **Alondra Vargas**, two AHSTW marketing students, have been selected for the internship and are eager to apply their classroom knowledge in a professional setting.

The program, funded by **Avoca Main Street's Economic Vitality Committee**, allows students to work directly with business owners to develop and implement social media marketing strategies. As part of this paid internship, students gain hands-on

experience in content creation, audience engagement, and digital branding while contributing to the success of local businesses.

"This internship is a fantastic way for students to develop critical marketing skills while also making a meaningful impact on local businesses," said Amber Mohr, Executive Director of Avoca Main Street, Inc. "By investing in our students, we're also investing in the long-term success of Avoca's small business community."

The internship will run through the end of the school year, providing students with the opportunity to track progress, measure engagement, and refine their marketing strategies in a real-world setting.

For businesses interested in participating in future opportunities, contact Avoca Main Street at mainstreet@cityofavoca.com or visit www.avocamainstreet.com for more information.

About AHSTW & Avoca Main Street, Inc.:

AHSTW Community School District is dedicated to providing innovative educational experiences that prepare students for the future. Avoca Main Street, Inc. is committed to the economic and cultural vitality of Avoca's historic downtown district, supporting local businesses and fostering a thriving community.

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