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IMPORTANT DATES

June 3: Pool Opens!

June 4: Farmers Market Starts!

July 4 (rain date—July 5):
Avoca's Fourth of July City Celebration!

July 4: City Hall and Library Closed

July 16-21: E. Pott. County Fair

City News

Summer in Avoca is HERE! As we gear up for sunny days at the Aquatic Center and tee times at the CountryView Golf Course, we're reminding everyone to be mindful of water use this summer. Please limit non-essential water use, especially during dry spells.

The City is also doing its part:

- We're using water from the East Branch of the West Nishnabotna River to irrigate the golf course.
- For the third year, we're filling the Aquatic Center with water from Walnut.
- And new this year—we'll use treated Walnut water to maintain the pool all season.

Thanks for helping us keep Avoca fun and sustainable this summer!

Welcome, Wendy, City of Avoca's Deputy Clerk

Meet Wendy Dierking, the new Deputy Clerk for the City of Avoca! Wendy began her role on May 9 and brings a strong background in IT, having previously worked as a business analyst and quality assurance test analyst. Ready for a new chapter, she made the decision to return to her roots and serve the community she calls home. Wendy is excited to be part of the team and looks forward to connecting with everyone.



Avoca Volunteer Fire & Rescue—May Calls:

EMS:

- 5 Avoca
- 2 Oakland
- 3 Good intent
- 1 Motor Vehicle Accident

Fire:

- 1 Grass Fire
- 1 Automatic Fire Detection
- 1 Fluid Spill
- 1 Carbon Monoxide Detection



2025 Avoca Aquatic Center

SEASON PASS Application

- ☐ INDIVIDUAL 11 YEARS OR OLDER - \$105 ☐ FIRST MEMBER OF FAMILY PASS - \$105
☐ SENIOR CITIZEN (62 AND OLDER) - \$95.00 ADDITIONAL FAMILY MEMBERS ADDED BELOW

NEW 2025: Babysitters or day care providers can be added as a designated guardian on the family membership. THIS IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL SEASON PASS, IT IS ONLY VALID WITH BELOW LISTED FAMILY.

REMINDER: ADDITIONAL MEMBERS (FAMILY PASS ONLY)

"Family" is defined as parents (2 adults maximum) or legal guardians (2 adults maximum) residing together as a couple, and also including their children ages 18 and under, foster children ages 18 and under, or stepchildren ages 18 and under and the 18-year-old must be enrolled in high school or just graduated 2025.

Family memberships are NOT allowed for the following:

- Multiple families living together, extended relatives living together, or grandparents living with their children over age 18. Each set of parents must purchase their own membership for themselves and their children less than 18 years of age.
- Grandchildren cannot be included on a membership, unless the grandparents are the legal guardians and can provide proof upon request.

All children, 10 and under must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or under the care of someone 16 yrs of age and older. This person must be in direct supervision of the child or children. A sign-in-sheet will be provided each day.

Pass Holder Name: _____ Age: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Address (Street, City, ST, Zip): _____

Email: _____

Additional Family Members (Name, Age, Address if Different)

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| 1. _____ | ADD \$40 |
| 2. _____ | ADD \$40 |
| 3. _____ | ADD \$40 |
| 4. _____ | ADD \$40 |
| 5. _____ | No Charge Maximum Met |

DESIGNATED GUARDIAN _____ \$20 – THIS IS NOT AN INDIVIDUAL SEASON PASS – ONLY VALID WITH ABOVE LISTED FAMILY.

Emergency Contact Name and Number: _____

I AGREE THE INFORMATION ABOVE IS ACCURATE AND TRUE. IF I AM APPLYING FOR A FAMILY MEMBERSHIP AND FRAUDULENTLY SUBMIT INFORMATION THAT VIOLATES THE FAMILY MEMBERSHIP STANDARD, I UNDERSTAND PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS CAN APPLY. IN ADDITION, I HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE POOL RULES AND WILL ABIDE BY THEM.

Parent or individual Signature _____ DATE _____

POOL STAFF/AVOCA EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

2025 AVOCA GROUP SWIM LESSONS - \$65 each session

City of Avoca Lifeguards will be offering group **swim lessons only for one week for the 2025 Season with 3 session times available**. Instructors will teach a variety of strokes, including the front crawls, back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, and sidestroke. They will also introduce a wide range of personal safety skills.

Avoca Aquatic Center will be offered **Monday through Friday, July 7-11TH**. In case of bad weather, listen to KNOD, 105.3 Harlan for cancellations.

There will not be a make up day if a day is cancelled.

JULY WEEK

July 7th through 11th (30 minutes in length.)

_____ 9:30 - 10:00	1st session	Only Levels 1-3
_____ 10:15 – 10:45	2nd session	Only Levels 1-3
_____ 11 – 11:30	3rd session	Only Levels 1-3

OUR GROUP LESSONS WILL NOT BE CERTIFIED AS RED CROSS; HOWEVER, WE WILL BE FOLLOWING THE RECOMMENDED GUIDELINES FOR THE SUGGESTED LEVELS.

Following is a brief description of each level:

_____ **Level 1-** Blow bubbles, Supported float, Support Kick, submerge mouth, nose and eyes, Support swimming on front and back for 5 feet.

_____ **Level II-** Unsupported Float/Glide on front and back, perform flutter kick on front and back, submerge to retrieve object, tread water, explore deep water with floatation.

_____ **Level III-** 15 bobs in chest deep water, back crawl & elementary backstroke 10 yards, front crawl, butterfly kick and body motion, tread water, and dive from side.

\$65 EACH SESSION - Please fill out information below, circle appropriate time and mark level for your child. Please return signup sheet and payment to **City of Avoca, PO Box 246, Avoca, IA 51521** or drop it off at the pool by **Tuesday, July 1.**

Payable to The City of Avoca:

CHILD'S Name: _____

PARENT'S Name: _____

PARENT Number: _____

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 GROUP 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

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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



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.

Main Street Update Newsletter

June 2025

Loneliness or Solitude and the Role of Main Streets

By Matt Wagner, PhD

Chief Innovation Officer at Main Street America

There has been a great deal of dialogue in the health and civic sectors around the loneliness epidemic centered on an extensive report from the US Surgeon General entitled *Our Epidemic of Loneliness and Isolation*. A more recent article in The Atlantic by Derek Thompson, *The Anti-Social Century*, suggests there may be a more conscious choice at work as we think about the quest and desire for more "solitude."

This impacts our downtowns and neighborhoods and shifts in retail, restaurants, and services. In 2023, 74% of all restaurant traffic came from "off-premises" customers — from takeout and delivery — up from 61% before COVID, according to the National Restaurant

Association. This profoundly impacts restaurant design and layout relative to sitting and waiting space, staffing, and the potential for decreasing civic connectivity by sharing eating space. This is consistent with other data highlighting declines in drinking and dining out with friends, dating, obtaining a driver's license, time spent and number of friends, and annual cinema ticket sales.

Additional impacts are likely to be felt in increased sales of home furnishings, décor, and even kitchen gadgets as more individuals burrow into their homes, as well as fitness equipment and connected exercise programs for at home.



Main Streets have a significant role to play in fostering social cohesion. According to Thompson, families and friends give us love and security, while our community gives us shared affinities. These diverse connections help us bridge gaps and relate with empathy. I see Main Streets as critical places for everyone to engage with one another, see their neighbor, and understand their circumstances, differences, and similarities. On our Main Streets, we attend events and parades, volunteer, and bump into strangers and locals alike in the park, the library, or the local café. **Main Street's purpose goes beyond economics; it is critical for renewing our human connections.**

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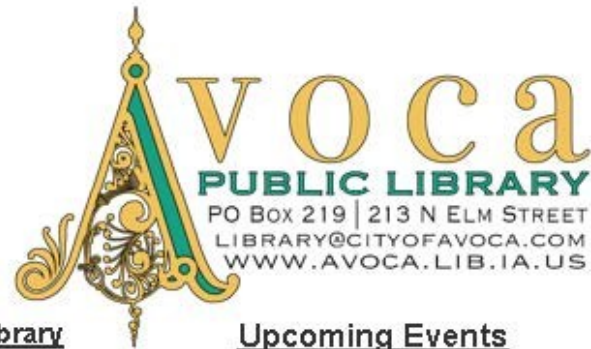
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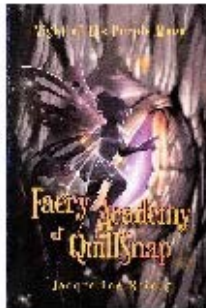


Avoca Main Street, Inc. Board of Directors for 2024-25: President Chantelle Harre, Vice President Josie Pierce, Treasurer Yvonne Engesser, Secretary Sabrina Lewis, Laine Beach, and Chelsie Madden.



Summer Reading Kickoff. Level Up at Your Library

The Avoca Public Library will be participating in the Iowa Summer Reading program! This year's theme invites kids to gamify their library and reading experiences. We'll be focusing on sports, games, and personal growth all summer. Join us for the kickoff event on June 4, at 10:30, on the **AHSTW track** for a fun run/walk, story time, and sign up!



Author Visit

June 4, 5:30 p.m.

The Avoca Public Library is pleased to present an evening with local author Jacqueline Reing, who will be discussing her new novel *Fairy Academy of QuillSnap*. Join us in the library, during the first Farmer's Market, for a reading, signing, and author talk.

Teen Photo Competition

We're running a Teen Photo Contest at the Avoca Public Library again this summer! This year, we're looking for action shots, whether that's of a sporting event, your pet at play, or even just you and your friends goofing around. Full submission forms are available at the front desk. Each contestant can submit up to three photos, before July 1, either by emailing the library (library@cityofavoca.com) or by bringing them in and dropping them off in person. See official submission form for full details.



Upcoming Events

6/1:	1:30 p.m.	History of the Library Presentation*
6/4:	10:30 a.m.	Summer Reading*
	5:30 p.m.	Author Visit
6/6:	10:00 a.m.	Friday Flix
	1:00 p.m.	Friday Club
6/9:	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	League of Human Dignity Visitation
	6:00 p.m.	Library Board Meeting
6/11:	10:30 a.m.	Summer Reading
6/13:	10:00 p.m.	Friday Flix
	1:00 a.m.	Friday Club
6/18:	10:30 a.m.	Summer Reading
	7:00 p.m.	Read-It-or-Not Book Club
6/20:	10:00 p.m.	Friday Flix
	1:00 a.m.	Friday Club
6/25:	10:30 a.m.	Summer Reading
	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Battle Card Party
6/27:	10:00 a.m.	Friday Flix
	1:00 p.m.	Friday Club
6/30:	10:00 a.m.	Movie Monday

* Starred events are off-site. Please check out our website calendar for more information.

April by the Numbers

Visitors to the library:	1,187
Physical check-outs:	1,299
Digital items:	240
New items to the collection:	71
Number of programs:	18
Program attendees:	450

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

