RECREATION ACTIVITIES IN MARCH, APRIL & MAY 2026

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CANCELLATIONS DUE TO WEATHER

. . .will be announced on Facebook and online at https://parks.decorahia.org.

SPECIAL THANKS

. . . to the **Decorah Community Schools** for providing the facilities necessary for many of our programs

. . . to **Driftless Journal, Decorah Public Library, KVIK, decorahnews.com, decorahnow.com, Winneshiek County Convention & Visitors Bureau,** and **Decorah Area Chamber of Commerce** for their promotion of Park-Rec. activities and events

. . . to **our many sponsors and volunteers** that help keep our participation fees affordable for all.

SOFTBALL LEAGUES

for 16 years and older

MEN'S SLOW PITCH (*Wednesdays)*

Leagues run in the evenings from late May to early August. Teams are required to supply umpires according to the schedule. **Entry fee for each of the leagues is $120/team** and includes softballs and field maintenance.

Location TBD

DEADLINE: FRI, MAY 8

REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE ONLINE!

To register online, go to:
https://decorahparkrec.activityreg.com

Credit and debit card payments are only accepted online.

Check or cash payments are accepted if you wish to register in person at the Park-Rec. Office. Mail-in registrations must be paid by check.

The tentative online release dates for our quarterly brochures in 2025 are:

Date	Brochure
August 15	Sept, Oct & Nov
November 14	Dec, Jan & Feb
February 13	Mar, Apr & May
May 1	June, July & Aug

ACTIVE IN THE OUTDOORS

for grades Kindergarten thru 2nd

Join us in the John Cline Gym on **Tuesdays April 7, 14, 21 & 28, from 3:15 to 4:15 pm.** Kids will have the opportunity to play team building games and be outside to run off their afterschool energy. If weather is not ideal for activities outdoors, they will be held inside.

FEE: $24 (maximum of 20 participants)

DEADLINE: TUES, MARCH 31

EASTER EGG *for kids 8 years and under*

Sunday, March 29th, 3:00 pm, at Will Baker Athletic Fields

Children find plastic eggs filled with candy or prizes and all egg hunters receive participation gifts at the close of the Hunt.

Be sure to bring your own Easter Bag!

The Easter Bunny will also be there so bring your cameras too!

Free Event—Pre-registration Encouraged

Sponsored by:

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PEE WEE SOCCER LEAGUE

for ages 3 and 4 years

This program is held on Saturday mornings, April 18 thru May 9, at the Will Baker Athletic Fields. All players will be required to wear shin guards which Park-Rec. provides at the fields. Games will not be made up if canceled due to weather.

Players are asked to pick up their team shirt on the first day of the program from coaches. Schedules will be available at the Park-Rec. Office no later than Monday, April 6th.

PARENTS: Two volunteer coaches are needed for each team. Park-Rec. staff will also assist. If you can coach, please include your name and shirt size on your child's entry form.

FEE: $24 (includes t-shirt)

DEADLINE: MON, MARCH 30

A BIG THANK YOU TO THESE SOCCER LEAGUE SPONSORS!

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COED 5TH thru 8th

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YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUES

for grades TK/Kindergarten thru 8th

This program is held on **Saturday mornings, April 4 thru May 9.** All players will be required to wear shin guards which Park-Rec. provides at the fields. Games will be played at Will Baker Athletic Fields and will not be made up if canceled due to weather.

Players are asked to pick up their team shirt on the first day of the program from coaches. Schedules will be available in the Park-Rec. Office no later than Monday, March 30th.

PARENTS: Two volunteer coaches are needed for each team. Park-Rec. staff will also assist with this program. If you can coach, please include your name and shirt size on your child's entry form. Volunteer coaches are not needed for the 5th-8th leagues.

FEE: $30 (includes t-shirt)

DEADLINE: THURS, MARCH 12

LIVE HEALTHY IOWA KIDS TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP

a free event for ages up to 14 as of 12/31/2026

This event will be held Tuesday, May 19, 4:30 pm, at the Decorah High School Track. To register, go to https://decorahparkrec.activityreg.com where you can register online directly or download a PDF of the entry form to submit to the Park-Rec. Office. **Pre-registration is strongly encouraged,** but late registration will be taken beginning at 4:00 pm near the track entrance on the day.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR MAY 1

May 1 is the release date of our summer brochure, and the first day you can register for summer recreation activities and swimming lessons. Pool passes are also available.

Registration starts promptly at 8:00 am online at https://decorahparkrec.activityreg.com

and in the Park-Rec. Office.

Credit/debit cards, cash or check must be used when registering at the Park-Rec.

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Programs and events posted below are *free* and considered "pop up events" and will have more information on our website and Facebook page.

March Madness Tournament Challenge

a free event for all ages

Seasons of a Prairie Series

Winter/Spring Hike-

Our Seasons of a Prairie Hike, led by staff, will take place later this Spring at the Decorah Community Prairie, located at the south end of Ohio Street (over the levy) in Decorah. This program is FREE! No need to register, just show up!

Ice Cave Scavenger Hunt

There's gnome place like home!

Gnomes are big fans of Decorah for many reasons. Join us on a family-friendly hunt to find all of the gnomes and complete other fun challenges along the way!

Seasons of a Prairie Series

Conduct a Backyard Burn-

This new Park Rec program covers safe prairie habitat burning operations from ignition until it is safe to leave the site. This program is largely dependent on weather, so date is TBA. However, we hope for a Late March/Early April date. **Please RSVP to parkrec@decorah.iowa.gov** if interested so that we may contact you with the date when the weather cooperates.

FREE program!

WalkBike Series

Join us as children learn about bike safety and equip themselves with all the gear and tips they need for their biking adventures.

In partnership with UpperExplorerland and Decorah Police Department, be on the lookout for upcoming events and additional information on how you can walk and bike safely!