2024 Spring **Activity Guide**



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Spring Baby Time

Solon Public Library

Spend time with your little one building pre-reading skills while making new parent and caregiver friends! loin us as we share nursery rhymes, sing songs, read books, and enjoy free play with age-appropriate toys. Attend one or more classes: we'd love to see you anytime!

Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 @ 9:15 AM At Solon Public Library **FREE**

For littles 0-24 months and their caregivers, siblings welcome!

No Registration Necessary

Tot Time

Solon Recreation

Enjoy morning play time in our gym with toys and inflatables!

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10 AM-12 PM

At Solon Community Center

Ages 6 and Under

\$2 Drop in | \$10 Punch Pass *No Tot Time June & July*



Solon Area Garage Sales

Sponsored by the Friends of the Solon Public Library

Clean out your house and garage while supporting the Friends of the Library by registering your Solon Area Garage Sale with the Friends. In-town registered sales receive a numbered yard sign. All registered sales are included on the map, and lists of sales.

Friday, May 31st and Saturday, June 1st

Cost: \$15 in town | \$10 rural Registration open April 8 - May 20 (no exceptions) Maps & Lists Available May 30th

Visit: solon.lib.ia.us/about/friends for details

Fun For All Night

Solon Public Library & Recreation Dept.

The second Saturday of the Month is Fun For All Night! Place your vote to help us decide what movie to feature each month! Visit: https://tinyurl.com/FFANvote

At Solon Community Center (Spring):

Saturdays, March 9, April 13, May 11 Gym games @ 6 PM,

Movie To Be Announced @ 7 PM **FREE**

For all ages! No Registration Necessary



Drawing Club Solon Public Library

Students in 4th-8th grades are invited to join us for a new weekly Drawing Club - spend the time working on sketches, and trying new techniques. Get creative!

Beginning Wednesday, March 6th from 3:45-4:45 PM

At Solon Public Library

No program during Spring Break or Summer Break FREE | No Registration Necessary | 4th-8th Grades

How to Register for Solon Public Library Activities

Online: https://www.solon.lib.ia.us or scan the QR Code to the left. **In-Person:** Visit the Solon Public Library, 320 W. Main St, Solon, Iowa

Phone: 319-624-2678 or Email: staff@solon.lib.ia.us

Library Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 AM to 7 PM, Fri-Sat 9 AM to 5 PM

March Mammal Madness

This annual tournament of simulated combat competitions among animals is a fun way to learn about animals and compete based on scientific data. Complete your bracket and turn it in by 5 PM on Saturday, March 9th to participate in the tournament. Watch our social media for updates on the battles, and the two players with the most correct battle outcomes win prizes!

Brackets Available: 2/29 | Return by 3/9 Solon Public Library

FREE

No Registration Necessary

May the Fourth

Celebrate the force within you on Star Wars Day at the Library. Dress up as your favorite Star Wars character, or enjoy the day as you! Enjoy Star Wars crafts, activities, and snacks.

Saturday, May 4th from 10:30-11:30 AM Solon Public Library

FREE for all ages! | No Registration Necessary

Teen Hot Cocoa & Convos

A teen only version of "Coffee & Conversations" with hot cocoa and convos with friends new & old. Cocoa, water and lemonade provided. For Teens: 6th-12th grades.

Tues, March 12th @ 3:30 PM Solon Public Library FREE



No Registration Necessary

Friends Used Book Sale

The Friends of the Library host their annual used book sale with a large variety of books available for purchase.

Saturday, March 2 from 8 AM to Noon Solon Public Library FREE for all ages

No Registration Necessary

Maker's Space

This drop-in program is for all-ages to make use of our great maker tools at the Library. Use the sewing machine, button maker, Cricut machine, and more.

Thursday, March 14th from 2-4 PM Solon Public Library FRFF

No Registration Necessary

Summer Reading Kickoff!

Join us to kickoff the start of summer and our Summer Reading Program! We'll enjoy a foam party, sprinkler, and water games on the Library lawn. Pick up your reading logs, calendar, and brochure to get all the details of the summer.

Summer Reading Program runs from June 1 through July 31. Read, Renew, Repeat!

Thursday, May 30th @ 5:30 PM Solon Public Library FREE for all ages

No Registration Necessary

Looking for more programs and events? These are just a few of the things we're excited about at the Library. Visit us online (links above) for the complete calendar.

How to Register for Solon Recreation Activities

Online: https://secure.rec1.com/IA/solon-ia/catalog Or scan the QR Code to the right.

In-Person: Visit the Solon Community Center, 313 S. Iowa St, Solon, IA

Email: recreation@solon-iowa.com or Phone: 319-624-2499

Community Center Hours: Check https://www.solon-iowa.com/ for info



"Rookie" Coach-Pitch Baseball/Softball

This program is volunteer coached. Games will be held on Tuesdays & Wednesdays. \$50 Resident, \$55 Non-Resident

Practices start early May | Games start mid May

Grades: 1st - 2nd

Registration Opens: 2/2 | Deadline: 4/3

Tee Ball

This program is volunteer coached. Games will be held on Thursdyas \$50 Resident, \$55 Non-Resident

Practices start early May | Games start mid May

Age: 4-5 "Beginner" & 5-6 "Advanced" Registration Opens: 2/2 | Deadline: 4/3

Minors/Majors Baseball/Softball

This program is volunteer coached. Games will be held on M/W for grades 3-4 and Tu/Th for grades 5-6. \$60 Resident, \$65 Non-Resident

Practices start late April | Games start mid May

Grades: 3rd-6th

Registration Opens: 2/2 | Deadline: 4/2

Swim Lessons

Solon Recreation will provide transportation for ages 6-12 to Mount Vernon Pool for swim lessons.

\$70 Resident, \$75 Non-Resident

Dates: M-F Early June (10 Lessons)

Participant Limit: 75

Registration Opens: Early April | Deadline: Mid May

Youth Spring Soccer

This program is volunteer coached. Games will be held on Tuesdays for grades Pre-K & 2-3 and Thursdays for grades K-1st & 4th-5th-6th. \$50 Resident, \$55 Non-Resident

Practices start late March | Games start early April

Grades: Pre-K-6th

Registration: Now open | Deadline: 3/6

Tennis Camp

This program is a week long introductory camp lead by a tennis coach.

\$30 Resident, \$35 Non-Resident

July 22nd-26th

Ages: 4-5, 7-10, & 11-14

Registration Opens: Mid April | Deadline: Late June

Party Rentals

Have your next party with us!

The Solon Community Center is available to rent for Birthday Parties. Contact us to book today! Geared towards age 6 and under.

\$40/hr

Rental will include:

- Inflatable
- Ride ons
- Toys
- Mini Hoops + Balls
- Games



Facility/Field Rentals

The Solon Parks and Rec Department will begin taking spring field rental requests February 1. Please email recreation@solon-iowa.com to inquire.

More Community Activities

Adult Sand Volleyball

Solon Recreation

Get a team together and have some fun together at the SRNA. Games will be 6v6.

First session: June 2nd - July 7th (Sundays) Second session: July 1st - August 5th (Mon-Wed)

Age: 18+

Team fee: \$100

Zumba

Solon Recreation

A low impact, fun workout for all!

Tuesday, Thursday from 9AM-10AM At Solon Community Center

Age: 16+

\$1 Drop in | \$10 Punch Pass



Pickleball

Solon Recreation

Bring a friend for open pickleball play!

Tuesdays & Thursdays 11-1 At Solon Community Center

Age: 16+

\$1 Drop in | \$10 Punch Pass



Solon Tri-Township Fire Dept. Pancake Breakfast

Solon Volunteer Firefighters prepare their annual pancake breakfast with eggs, sausage, and pancakes. Purchase tickets ahead of time or at the door.

Sunday, May 26th from 6:30 AM - 12:30 PM At Solon Fire Dept. at 400 Windflower Ln, Solon

Avenue of Flags

Solon Optimist Club

Complete the subscription form to have club members place an American flag in your front yard for five major holidays including Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Veteran's Day.

\$40/annual subscription

Learn more: https://www.solonoptimist.org/

Mental Health 101: Nature Therapy

Solon Public Library

In this session of our Mental Health 101 series, guest Annie Ventullo, a clinical research therapist, will discuss benefits of nature on our mental and physical health. Then she will lead participants in creating nature journals and going outside for a nature activity.

This series is provided in partnership with the GFWC/Solon Women's Club.

Thursday, April 11th @ 6:30 PM At Solon Public Library

FREE | No registration necessary

Talking Tea with Judith Leavitt

Solon Public Library

Judith will share a presentation on the origin of tea, types of tea, and how to prepare a good cup of tea. Enjoy 3-4 types of tea and delicious snacks!

Saturday, May 4th at 1 PM At Solon Public Library

For adults and young adults (16+)
FREE | No registration necessary

Your Community Event

Do you have a community event that you'd like to get the word out about? Send us the details at <u>mrichardson@solon.lib.ia.us</u> and we'd love to share your event with our entire community in our quarterly Activity Guide.

Friday Night Fish & Shrimp

Solon American Legion Stinocher Post #460

Annual Lenten Fish & Shrimp fry takes place at the Solon American Legion Friday evenings. All-you-caneat dinners include fish, shrimp, coleslaw, party potatoes, and dessert. Carry out available! Delivery available for homebound senior citizens, call ahead Monday-Thursday to order.

Fridays, February 16 - March 29 from 5-7 PM Cost: \$17/adults, \$8/kids, under 5 free. Call with questions: 319-624-2277