



Welcome to the 2026  
Parks & Recreation  
Activity Guide

In this guide, you'll discover a variety of fun and engaging programs offered by the Osceola Parks & Recreation Department. Explore activities at the Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center, learn about our sports camps, and find even more opportunities to stay active, connect with others, and enjoy our community.

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# **PARKS** *Grow Healthy Communities<sup>SM</sup>*

## City of Osceola

### **Parks & Recreation Department Board**

The Osceola Parks & Recreation Board provides guidance and oversight for the Parks & Recreation Department. The Board helps shape the development of community recreation programs, facilities, parks, nature areas, and trails—ensuring residents have meaningful and healthy leisure opportunities.

The Board meets at **4:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month**. Meetings take place at **City Hall** in the **City Council Chambers**.

Community members are welcome and encouraged to attend. Anyone wishing to address the Board may request to be added to the agenda by calling the Parks & Recreation Office at **(641) 342-2377**. All meetings are open to the public.

### **Parks & Recreation Department Mission Statement:**

Parks and Recreation exist to preserve and enhance the quality of life and encourage healthy lifestyles of Osceola residents through education, recreation programming, quality parks, nature areas, and trails.

### **Parks & Recreation Board Members**



**Jeremy Evers**  
(Chairman)



**Shane Wagoner**  
(Vice Chairman)



**Lindsey Redman**



**Becca Kedley**



**Stacey Manternach**

### **Parks & Recreation Department Staff**

Director: Daniel Cooper

Assistant Director: Taylor Andrew

Cemetery Superintendent: Mitch Harmsen

Greens Keeper: Darron Toney



# Program Registration

Registrations for all programs are accepted at City Hall and at the Parks & Recreation Department office. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**You have three (3) options to register for  
Osceola Parks & Recreation Department Programs.  
Please use one of the following methods for Program Registration:**

## **IN PERSON**

Osceola Parks & Recreation Office  
115 N. Fillmore Street  
(City Hall)

## **DROP BOX**

Located in west entrance to City Hall  
115 N. Fillmore Street

## **BY MAIL**

Osceola Parks & Recreation Department  
PO Box 465  
115 N. Fillmore Street  
Osceola, IA 50213



**Online at <https://osceolaia.net> under the forms link**

## ***\*IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS\****

Osceola Parks & Recreation Office: (641) 342-2377 ext. 3  
Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center: (641) 342-2377 ext. 6  
Osceola Municipal Golf Course: (641) 342-3717

# Activities & Programs

**Programs are listed in chronological order beginning in February.**

**GENERAL REGISTRATION:** Registration forms may be picked up at the Parks & Recreation Office or downloaded from the City Website. Registration forms are specific to each program. Please take care to utilize the correct form when registering and be aware of program registration dates. Register as early as possible. Complete all necessary information. Make checks payable to the Osceola Parks & Recreation Department for all programs. Return form and fee using one of the previously mentioned methods.

## **CLARKE SPRING SOCCER**

Any boy or girl going into Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade is invited to participate in this program. Volunteer coaches will lead participants through practices and games focusing on the fundamentals and techniques of this sport. Practice nights and times are set by the volunteer coaches with games played on Saturday mornings. Practices and games are held at the Osceola Recreation Complex Soccer Fields. ***Registration Fee*** is \$40 per child, \$20 per child with a previous purchased reversible jersey. ***Registration Period: February to March 20, 2026.*** Games will tentatively start April 4 and finish April 25<sup>th</sup>, total of 4 games.

## **CLARKE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL**

***Mini T-Ball:*** This division is for any preschool age boy or girl. Volunteer coaches will be assigned to coach registered participants of Co-Ed teams. The objective of this division is to familiarize youth with the fundamentals of baseball/softball along with social interaction. Practice nights and times are set by the volunteer coaches with games played on Friday evenings at the Osceola Adult/Youth Ball Field Complex. Registration Fee is \$35 per child. ***Registration, to avoid late fee of \$20, ends March 13<sup>th</sup>. No registrations will be accepted after Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.***

***T-Ball:*** This division is for any boy or girl currently in kindergarten. Volunteer coaches will draft all registered participants to form Co-Ed teams. The objective of this division is to familiarize youth with the fundamentals of baseball/softball. Catching, throwing, fielding, hitting, base running, and fun are emphasized. Practice nights and times are set by the volunteer coaches with games played on Friday evenings. Practices and games are held at the Osceola Adult/Youth Ball Field Complex. Registration Fee is \$35 per child. ***Registration, to avoid late fee of \$20, ends March 13<sup>th</sup>. No registrations will be accepted after Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.***

***Pee-Wee:*** This division is for any boy or girl currently in 1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. Volunteer coaches will draft all registered participants to form unintegrated teams, as well as guide players through practices and games. The objective of this division is to continue and reaffirm the fundamentals of baseball/softball, along with expanding player knowledge and skills of the game. Games are modified to accommodate these young players. Practice nights and times are set by the volunteer coaches. Practices and games are held at the Osceola Adult/Youth Ball Field Complex.

Registration Fee is \$35 per child. ***Registration, to avoid late fee of \$20, ends March 13<sup>th</sup>. No registrations will be accepted after Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.***

***Minor/Major:*** These divisions are for any boy or girl currently in 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (Minor) or 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade (Major). The divisions also break down in to boy (baseball) and girl (softball) teams. The Minor/Major divisions of this program are offered through the Osceola Parks & Recreation Department but run through the South-Central Iowa Youth League. Volunteer coaches will draft all registered participants to form teams, as well as guide players through practices and games. Practice nights and times are set by the volunteer coaches. Game schedules are set by the Department, or team coaches through the South-Central Iowa Youth League. All home games will be at the Osceola Adult/Youth Ball Complex. Registration Fee is \$45 per child. ***Registration, to avoid late fee of \$20, ends March 13<sup>th</sup>. No registrations will be accepted after Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.***

### **A WALK IN THE PARK**

Patrons of our Park System are encouraged to get together for a walk in the park to enjoy the fresh air and natural beauty. Q-Pond Trail, located at Q-Pond Park, allows for hard surface walking/running. Parking for the trail is located at the upper park (1111 W. Clay Street). One loop around the trail is approximately 2 miles. For additional distance, take the connector trail next to the Clarke High School Baseball and Football fields to Hembry Pathway via the newly paved connector. This Pathway, located at the Osceola Recreation Complex, allows for hard surface walking/running starting at either the Adult/Youth Ball Field Complex or Clarke Community High School. The pathway, walked in both directions, is 1.2 miles in length. If you are looking for a little more, do a couple laps around the High School to reach the 2-mile mark. Mornings are a popular time especially during summer's hot temperatures. ***Keep in mind that for every mile walked or ran by a sedentary person, gives him/her an extra 21 minutes of life.*** Call a friend today and go enjoy our trail system.

### **ADULT SOFTBALL LEAGUES**

The Osceola Parks & Recreation Department will be providing Adult Softball Leagues. League Fee per team is \$250. Must be at least 5 registered and paid teams to start a league. For more information watch our Facebook page or inquire at our office. Games are played during the months of May through September.

***Rain Outs and Delays:*** If, due to weather or uncontrollable circumstances, the games for that evening are cancelled, they will be made up the following week. Department will determine makeup date.

## CLARKE YOUTH TENNIS LESSONS

Tennis Lessons will be offered for students completing 1<sup>st</sup> Grade through High School. Players from beginning to advanced level are all welcome. Lessons will be given at the High School Tennis Courts. Instruction is by Head Varsity Tennis Coach Jeff Ehrhardt. Registration runs from May 1<sup>st</sup> – May 26<sup>th</sup>. **Registration Fee is \$40 per participant.** Registration fee includes a T-Shirt. **Program runs from June 1 – June 12.** Beginners will learn the forehand, backhand, volley, and serve. The more advanced classes will practice drills on the plus learn the overhead smash, the lob, topspin, drop shot, and ball placement. Participants will learn to play both singles and doubles, and the strategies used for each. Scorekeeping and tennis etiquette will also be learned.

### *Instruction times:*

8:00am – 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade (M-Th)

9:00am – 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade (M-Th)

## CLARKE YOUTH FALL FLAG FOOTBALL

Any boy or girl in 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade is invited to participate in this program. Volunteer coaches will lead participants through practices and games focusing on the fundamentals and techniques of this sport. Practice nights and times are set by the volunteer coaches with games played on Sunday afternoons in Truro. **Registration Fee is \$35 per child, and they will receive a jersey. Registration runs July 20<sup>th</sup> to August 14, 2026.** Practices will start in August with games tentatively to start in September and finish end of month.

## CLARKE YOUTH FALL SOCCER

Any boy or girl going into kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade is invited to participate in this program. Volunteer coaches will lead participants through practices and games focusing on the fundamentals and techniques of this sport. Practice nights and times are set by the volunteer coaches with games played on Saturday mornings Recreation Complex Soccer Fields. **Registration Fee is \$40 per child, \$20 per child if they have a previous reversible jersey. Registration runs the month of August.** Games will tentatively start September 19<sup>th</sup> and finish October 24<sup>th</sup>.

## CLARKE GIRL'S FALL VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE

Any girls in 3-6<sup>th</sup> grades interested in playing on a volleyball team are invited to participate. League is dependent on volunteer coaching from parents. The department help assist in the schedule and providing volleyballs. Volunteer coaches will be used to offer program. Schedule will be provided with games being played on Sunday afternoons in the surrounding area. Teams will have to travel for this league. Fee is \$40.

## ADULT OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

This program is offered on Sundays, starting the first Sunday in October. Starting at 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., anyone eighteen (18) years of age and older may participate in “pick-up” games at the High School Gymnasium. This program ends the last Sunday in March (approximately 22 weeks). For liability reasons, please note the minimum age requirement. A one-time participation fee of \$25 or \$2 per night of play is required.

## **CLARKE YOUTH BASKETBALL**

Any boy or girl in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade is invited to participate in this program. Volunteer coaches will lead participants through practices and games focusing on the fundamentals and techniques of this sport. Boys and girls play on separate teams for 5-6<sup>th</sup> grade and will play games in the South-Central Iowa Youth Basketball League. Games will be scheduled and played in various communities on Saturdays in January and February. **Registration runs Sept. 14 – Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Registration Fee is \$30 per child, \$10 per child if they have a previous reversible jersey.** Teams must be formed no later than 1<sup>st</sup> week of November to get in the league. The 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade teams will be split up between boys and girls. Volunteer coaches will run practices during the week set up by coaches. We will set up gym time on Saturdays to play games Nov. 21, Dec. 5, 12, and 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **ADULT CO-RECREATIONAL VOLLEYBALL**

Games are played on Wednesday evenings at the Jr./Sr. High School Gymnasiums. Three men and three women make up a team. If there are enough teams for each, the league will be split into two divisions: Competitive and Recreational. **Registration Fee is \$125 per team with registration taking place the month of October.** Please have an idea in which league your team will play when registering. Program will start in November and finish with respective League Tournaments the end of February.

## **ADULT BASKETBALL LEAGUE**

The Department will once again offer this program on Thursday evenings, starting the first Thursday in November. Anyone eighteen (18) years of age or older may participate. Games are played at the Elementary Gymnasium starting at 6:30pm. A scorekeeper is present at all games, but this is a “call your own foul” league. Stop by the Parks & Recreation Office during the month of October to register your team and pick up a rules sheet. Registration Fee is \$125 per team. For liability reasons, please note the minimum age requirement.

## **COOPERATION**

The Osceola Parks & Recreation Department would like to thank the Clarke Community School system for the use of their facilities. Without their excellent cooperation, the quality and scope of our activities would greatly diminish.

# Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center

The Facility will tentatively open Monday, June 1, 2026. The Facility will Be Closed on July 4<sup>th</sup> - Independence Day

*\*The Facility will close for the season on a Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026*

## REMINDER:

**\*Swimmers under age 10 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian at open swimming\***

### FEES (includes sales tax)

#### **General Admission:**

\$5 (Age 2 and under free with paid adult admission)

#### **Pool Party Rentals:**

\$150/hr. 1-50 people

\$200/hr. 51-100 people

\$250/hr. 101+ people  
(2-hour maximum rental)

#### **Punch Cards:**

10 Swims - \$45

20 Swims - \$90

#### **Season Passes:**

Individual - \$60 (ages 3 and up)

\*Family Pass - \$160 (up to six can include 1 babysitter - \$40 each additional member, Max. 10)

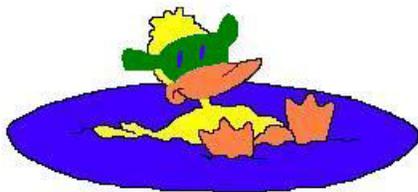
*\*Definition of a Family Pass: Consists of one or two parents or legal guardians and dependents under the age of 18. Only exception is (1) one babysitter may be added to a family season pass. Each additional family member over (6) will cost \$40 each to add to pass. Maximum of 10 individuals per Pass.*



Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center

225 W. Shaw Street ~ (641) 342-6662

## OPEN SWIMMING HOURS



**Monday – Saturday**

**1:00pm – 8:00pm**

**Sunday**

**1:00pm – 6:00pm**

## GENERAL AQUATIC CENTER POLICIES

Swimmers must wear an approved swimsuit. T-shirts, cut-offs, or gym shorts are not allowed in the water. Patrons not wearing approved swimwear will be asked to leave the water.

The facility is not responsible for lost or stolen articles left on the deck area. Secure all valuables in lockers provided upon request at the Admissions Desk.

No flotation devices of any kind are allowed in the pool without permission from Management.

Only concessions sold at the pool are allowed. Do not bring food or beverage with you.

## LAP SWIM / TODDLER TIME

Individuals can swim laps Monday-Friday, from **11:00am – 12:00pm**. Purchase a Season Pass, Punch Card, or pay \$2 per day. **Senior Citizen (60+) lap swim is free.**

This time is also **Toddler Time**. This special time is for a parent and their toddler to experience time in the shallow area at the facility. This program is for toddlers age 5 and under. Purchase a Season Pass, Punch Card, or pay \$2 per day.

These two programs will run from June 15<sup>th</sup> – August 7<sup>th</sup>.

## LIFEGUARD TRAINING

Lifeguard training will be offered to a limited number of students. This 28-hour course provides the necessary minimum skills for a person to qualify to serve as a non-surf lifeguard. Students must be at least 15 years of age and passed Level VI swimming lessons. Instruction includes CPR and First Aid Certification. The Fee for this course is TBD (includes all books and materials used during training). Dates and times TBD.



## WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR

This 36-hour course enables a person to be a Red Cross Swimming Instructor. Student must be 16 years old and have a current Lifeguard Training Certificate. American Red Cross Instructors make a difference in their community by teaching people a lifesaving skill. Those interested in becoming a Water Safety Instructor please contact the Osceola Parks & Recreation Department or the American Red Cross for classes that are available in your area.

## PRIVATE SWIMMING LESSONS

Private swim lessons will be offered for young children, adults, and children who need additional instruction. Private lessons are scheduled by contacting the Aquatic Center lifeguards. A list of lifeguards offering private lessons will be available at the Facility.

## PRIVATE SWIM PARTIES

Private pool parties may be scheduled after regular pool hours. Lifeguards must be pool employees. Hourly rental rates are located under FEES listed earlier. Season passes do not apply for private swim parties. Scheduling is done through the Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center during normal operating hours.

## FATHER'S DAY

Sunday, June 21st is Father's Day at the Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center. Dads receive free admission if attending with children. So, dads, come on out with the kids for a fun filled Father's Day!



## CARDBOARD BOAT RACE

Bring your own cardboard boat and test your skills as a boat captain! Design and build your own boat made from cardboard and duct tape only. For the safety of the pool and participants, no other items will be allowed in the construction of the boat. We will have singles and team races in the following age groups: 12 years and younger, and 13 years and up. Complete set of rules can be picked up at the Aquatic Center or

Parks & Recreation Office after Memorial Weekend. NO FEE!

**Date for this year's event will be July 18<sup>th</sup>**

## AQUATIC PROGRAMS

Various aquatic programs, based on availability of instructors, will be offered throughout the aquatic season. Please look for posting, dates, times, etc. at the Family Aquatic Center as well as the Osceola Parks & Recreation Department's Facebook Page.

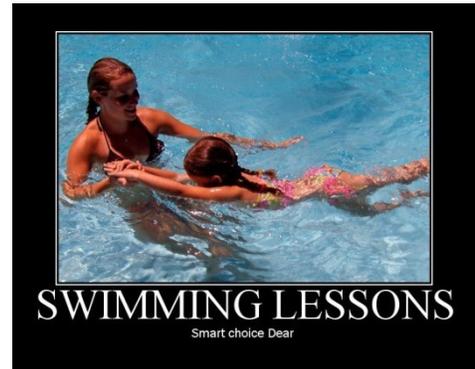
## PUBLIC SWIM LESSONS

### **SWIM LESSON SCHEDULE**

**Session I: June 15 – June 26 (M-F)**

**Session II: July 13 – July 24 (M-F)**

9:00 – 9:30 or 10:00 – 10:30	Levels 3,4
9:00 – 9:45 or 10:00 – 10:45	Level 5
9:00 – 10:00 or 10:00 – 11:00	Level 6
9:30 – 10:00 or 10:30 – 11:00	Levels 1,2



Swim lessons are designed to provide personalized instruction. Sessions will ideally schedule eight (8) students per instructor. Students may register for more than one session, but it is not recommended. Rapid progression through swimming lessons is not necessary as students must be 15 years old to take Lifeguard Certification. Lessons are held during the morning hours Monday through Friday. To begin public swimming lessons, students enrolling in Level I must be 5 years of age or older. The registration fee for public swimming lessons is \$40 (Level I – VI). Swim Lesson registration forms will be posted on the City Website. Forms may also be picked up at the Parks & Recreation Office.

## LEARN – TO – SWIM

The American Red Cross offers six comprehensive course levels that teach you, your child or other family members how to swim skillfully and safely. The prerequisite for each level is the successful demonstration of the skills from the preceding level, except for Level I, which has no prerequisite. Children wishing to start public swimming lessons must be age 5 or older at the start of their registered session. Each level of Learn – To – Swim includes training in basic water safety and helping a swimmer in distress, in addition to the following skills.

### LEVEL I – INTRODUCTION TO WATER SKILLS

**Purpose: To begin developing positive attitudes, good swimming habits and safe practices in and around the water.**

*Enter and exit using a ladder, steps or side, blow bubbles through mouth and nose, bobbing, open eyes under water and retrieve submerged objects, front and back glides and floats, recover to vertical position, roll from front to back / back to front, tread water using arms, alternating and simultaneous leg and arm actions on front and back, combined arm and leg actions on front and back, learn to stay safe, recognizing an emergency and knowing how to call for help, use life jacket, recognizing lifeguards and sun safety.*

### LEVEL II – FUNDAMENTAL AQUATIC SKILLS

**Purpose: To give participants success with fundamental skills, including learning how to float without support and to recover to a vertical position.**

*Enter or exit water by stepping or jumping from the side, fully submerge and hold breath, bobbing, open eyes under water and retrieve submerged objects, front, jellyfish, and tuck floats, recover to vertical position, roll from front to back / back to front, change direction of travel while swimming, tread water using arms and legs, combined arm and leg on front and back, finning arm action, perform simple non-swimming assists, learn what to think about and do when exhausted or caught in a dangerous situation.*

### LEVEL III – STROKE DEVELOPMENT

**Purpose: Builds on the skills in Level II by providing additional guided practice in deeper water.**

*Enter water by jumping, headfirst entries from the side in sitting and kneeling positions, bobbing while moving toward safety, rotary breathing, survival float, back float, change from vertical to horizontal position on front/back, tread water, flutter, scissor, dolphin, and backstroke kicks on front, front crawl and elementary backstroke, learn to look carefully before entering the water, learn to perform simple non-swimming assists, learn to recognize, prevent, and respond to cold water emergencies.*

### LEVEL IV – STROKE IMPROVEMENT

**Purpose: Develops confidence in the strokes learned in Level III and to improve other aquatic skills.**

*Headfirst entries from the side in compact and stride positions, swim under water, feet first surface dive, survival swimming, front crawl and backstroke open turns, tread water using two different kicks, front / back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, sidestroke and butterfly, flutter and dolphin kicks on back, learn to look carefully before entering the water, learn what to think about and do when exhausted or caught in a dangerous situation, perform simple non-swimming assist, learn about recreational water illnesses and how to prevent them.*

### LEVEL V – STROKE REFINEMENT

**Purpose: To further learn how to coordinate and refine strokes**

*Shallow-angle dive from side then glide and begin front stroke, tuck and pike surface dives, submerge completely, front flip turn and backstroke flip turn while swimming, front and back crawl, elementary backstroke, breaststroke, sidestroke and butterfly, sculling, learn how to call for help and the importance of knowing first aid and CPR, learn basic safety guidelines for participating in aquatic activities at waterparks, learn to look carefully before entering the water, perform simple non-swimming assists, learn about recreational water illnesses and how to prevent them, what to think about and do when exhausted or caught in a dangerous situation.*

## **LEVEL VI – SWIMMING AND SKILL PROFICIENCY**

**Purpose:** To refine strokes so participants swim them with more ease, efficiency, power, smoothness, and over greater distances. To introduce and practice fundamental springboard diving. Level VI is designed with “menu” options. Each of these options focus on preparing students to participate in more advanced courses, such as Water Safety Instructor and Lifeguard Training. The options include:

*Personal Water Safety, Fundamentals of Diving, and Fitness Swimmer.*

## **EXIT SKILLS FOR SWIM LESSONS**

Levels I – V have associated exit skills that will help us determine proper placement and level continuation of a student. These skills are administered the first day of class (proper placement) and the last day of class (continuation).

### **Water Accidents**

*Nearly 10,000 people die every year across the United States in water related tragedies. The Osceola Parks & Recreation Department strongly encourages parents to register their children for swimming lessons.*



# Parks & Facilities

## CLARKE COUNTY RECREATION COMPLEX

This 52-acre facility is located on the north side of the city. There are two access points to the Rec-Plex. The south entrance, which will gain patrons access to the Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center, Soccer Fields, Becky Persel's Skate Park, and Hemby Pathway, is at the intersection of W. Shaw and N. Fillmore Streets. The north entrance, which will gain patrons access to the Adult/Youth Ball Field Complex as well as the Osceola Disc Golf Course, is located directly south of the County Yard off Highway 69 N.



**Fern Underwood Family Aquatic Center** began the development of this area in 2000. This is a 180,000-gallon facility with zero-depth entry, 4-lane (25m) lap swim area, deep well with a 3m diving board, plunge area for the 142 linear foot water slide, and several amenities such as geysers, kiddie slide, mushroom, (ten) 20-foot umbrellas, and 100 lounge chairs.



**Osceola Adult/Youth Ball Field Complex** was the next to be developed in 2003. This area features four youth fields (200' fence) clover leafed around a centralized concession/maintenance building, along with two adult fields (280' fence). All areas between the youth and adult fields,



including the path leading to the concession/maintenance building from the gravel parking lot, the path leading up to the adult fields, and the extension of Hemby Pathway to the gravel parking lot, are now all hard surfaced.

**Osceola Soccer Fields:** two regulation sized fields were development in the spring of 2005. This area created a home for the Department's Youth Soccer program. The fields themselves have been utilized by a variety of patrons for various activities such as adult soccer.

**Hemby Pathway** immediately followed this development in the summer of 2005. This pathway (.6 miles in length) connects the southern facilities (Aquatic Center/Skate Park/Soccer Fields) to the northern facilities (Ball Field Complex/Disc Golf Course). Not only is it a great place to walk and enjoy the out of doors, but it also allows safe passage for children to the ball fields.

**Becky Persel's Skate Park** was another addition to the complex in the fall of 2005. In conjunction with area youth and American Ramp Company, a design was developed for this 7,000 sq. ft. addition. The park includes Half Pipe, Quarter Pipe, Cow Catcher, various Grind Rails, etc., and was made possible with the assistance of the Clarke County Development Corporation and a very generous donation from Mrs. Becky Persels.



**Osceola Disc Golf Course** is our latest addition to the Recreation Complex. The project was completed the fall of 2014. Almost all the holes are sponsored allowing for a great, long, course. Innova Disc Catchers were installed along with paved Tee Pads. This course starts and ends at the ball fields as it weaves its way through the complex to the soccer fields and back.

## **EAST CLAY STREET PARK**

This park, located at the corner of North Osceola and East Clay Streets, is the newest jewel in the Department's Park System. Park boasts the newest innovations in play structures atop a rubberized surface. Benches, with shade structures, align the perimeter of the play area.

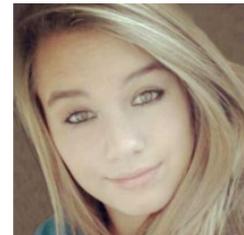
## **GRADE LAKE PARK**

This park, located along Lakeshore Drive, has excellent fishing along with bird watching and hiking. Thomas Trail, a natural walking path on the west side of the lake, connects Lakeshore Drive to Grade Lake Drive. Total walking distance around the lake is approximately 1 1/3 miles. Benches, donated by the Osceola Lions Club, are placed along Thomas Trail for rest or just to take in nature's beauty.

## **LAUREN'S BARK PARK**



This park is located along Highway 34 at 801 E. McLane Street in memory of Lauren Barker. She was a frequent volunteer at the Osceola Animal Shelter, and this park was a dream of hers. The Park consists of two (2) fenced in areas. One (1) for large dogs and one (1) for small dogs to play and socialize.



For General Requirements, Park Rules, and Park Usage Permit, utilize the following link: (<https://osceolaia.net/city-of-osceola-departments/city-of-osceola-parks-recreation/parks-and-recs-forms/>) or contact Osceola City Hall (641) 342-2377.

## **LITTLE INDIAN PARK**

This park is located at the corner of Temple and Jackson Streets. It is a small neighborhood park with a sidewalk, playground equipment, shelter, and a 1/2 court basketball court.

## **OSCEOLA MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE**

The Osceola Municipal Golf Course, formerly known as the Osceola Golf & Country Club, was deeded, and accepted by the City in March of 2019. This facility was built in 1961 on a great piece of property that includes elevation changes, mature trees, a creek, and ponds.

This facility has many additional features such as a practice area for putting, netted driving area, and cart sheds that Season Pass Holders may rent space for their personal cart.

The Clubhouse is available to rent for special events. Wedding receptions, class reunions, graduation parties, funeral receptions, holiday parties, or your own golf event are just a few examples of Facility Rental possibilities.

### **Fees:**

9 holes without cart \$15, 18 holes without cart \$20. Cart rental 9 holes \$15 per seat, 18 holes \$15 per seat. Family Membership \$645, Single \$495, Student \$85, Student on golf team \$75.

Website link: [Osceola Municipal Golf Course – The City of Osceola, Iowa | Osceola City Council](https://osceolaia.net/city-of-osceola-departments/city-of-osceola-parks-recreation/parks-and-recs-forms/)  
Osceola, IA 50213 ([osceolaia.net](https://osceolaia.net)) Facebook Link: [Osceola Municipal Golf Course | Facebook](#)

## **Q-POND PARK & BOAT ACCESS**

This is a 125-acre park located on the northwest side of town off W. Clay Street. The upper portion currently features two shelters, a few pieces of play equipment, Restrooms, and the Q-Pond Trail System. The Pheasants Forever Shelter is a smaller shelter that can accommodate approximately 15 people. The Methodist shelter is significantly larger with an approximate capacity of 50 people. Large open areas surround these shelters allowing individuals or groups to enjoy nature or games. Improvements to the park continue. This Park is home to the Department's Maintenance Building. A hard surfaced trail looping around the entire park is complete. There are several internal nature trails integrated in the overall trail for those who may wish to go off the beaten (paved) path. The Q-Pond Trail Loop now connects to Hembry Pathway at the Clarke County Recreation Complex via Clarke Community School's property between the football and baseball fields.



The Boat Access area is perfect for individuals or families to go fishing or just enjoy nature. Access to this area is at the corner of Delaware and W. Clay Streets. Park benches are placed in key spots for resting, relaxing, and taking in the beauty of this park.



## **SEMINOLE PARK**

This small neighborhood park is located along Country Club Drive. A small basketball court is provided at the park along with a gazebo and playground equipment with poured-in-place rubberized surfacing.

## **WARREN FAMILY PARK**

This 2-acre park is located at the corner of Warren Avenue and Truman Road. It features a sidewalk system, playground equipment with crushed rubber surfacing and a full-length basketball court. Also included on site is a shelter for family and group use.

## **WEST LAKE MARINA**

Enjoy the fishing at West Lake. Launch your boat from one of the two paved boat ramps to start the fun. Plenty of room for parking and nice restroom facilities are provided. The Parks & Recreation Department was awarded the DNR's Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant to replace both docks a few years back. These docks are "Connect-a-dock" docks, sit lower in the water, are handicap accessible, have a kayak launch, and improve ease in which patrons can get in and out of their boats. We hope you enjoy the finished product.



