# September Highlights



## **Events**

**OPEN HOUSE** for the Newly Renovated **Yunker Farm** Red Barn

#### THUR SEPT 11, 5:30-8pm, YUNKER FARM **ALL AGES**

Join us at our Open House to celebrate the Grand Opening of our newly renovated Red Barn on Thursday, September 11, 2025 from 5:30-8pm at Yunker Farm, 10824 La Porte Road, Mokena. Free food for the entire family: Drew's Dogs, Chips, Drinks, and ice cream sandwiches. Free coloring books, crayons & straw hats for the kids and commemorative gift for the adults, while supplies last.

At 7pm we will observe a moment of silence to honor all those who lost their lives in the 9/11 tragedy.

Back by popular demand! The band that rocked the Mokena Fireworks in 2024, Whiskey Road will perform from 6–8pm at the Yunker Farm Band Shell.





**A Fighting** Chance, **Self Defense Class for Women** 

#### SAT SEPT 27 • 12:30-3:30pm • Age: 8 & over The Oaks Recreation & Fitness Center

This class is designed to equip women with essential skills for defending themselves against larger attackers. Created by experts in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, MMA Fighters, and law enforcement officers. The program focuses on leveraging strength and technique. This class is taught by Peter Lacavazzi, a Black Belt in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu with extensive experience coaching law enforcement and military



personnel. Over the past 20 years, he has taught this program across various states and countries, reaching women in schools, universities, and corporate settings. Peter also frequently speaks on women's safety at campuses. Registration fee R/NR: \$19/\$23. Spots are limited. Register today! Registration deadline: September 25.

## **Pumpkin Carving Contest**

#### THUR OCT 23, YUNKER FARM PARK **ALL AGES**

Registration deadline: October 13. Bring your carving skills to this competition for the best carved pumpkin in town! Winners of each category will get a spooky prize! Categories are: Adult, Family and Tweens/Teens. Fee is per single, double, triple, or quadruple members on a team. Max of 4 members per team. Teams in each category will get a 30-minute period to carve their pumpkin. One medium-sized pumpkin per team and basic carving kits will be provided. You may bring your own carving supplies. Painting is allowed. Fees R/NR: Single, \$12/\$15 / Double, \$20/\$25 / Triple, \$25/\$30 / Quadruple, \$30/\$35.

## **Adult Activities**

**Lunch Bunch & Bingo** 

**WED SEPT 17, 11am-1pm AGE: 55 & OVER** 

Fee includes buffet-style lunch, drinks, dessert, and bingo cards. Preregistration is required. Registration deadline: Sept. 15. Fee R/NR: \$12/\$14. The Oaks Recreation & Fitness Center.











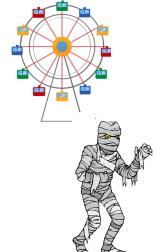






## **Events**

### Halloween Hollow



#### THUR-SUN. OCT 2-5

The Oaks Recreation & Fitness Center & Yunker Farm

#### **Beer & Food Concessions**

Friday: 5-10pm, Saturday: 12-10pm

#### Free Kid's Activities, Saturday 12-6pm

Make-Your-Own-Scarecrow, Face Painting, Pumpkin Decorating, and more! While supplies last. A \$25 activity wristband is required for all kid's activities. (Mokena residents save \$5).

Costume Contest, Saturday, 3pm, All Ages.

#### Monster Market, Saturday, 12-6pm

There's something for everyone in the Monster Market. Vendors will be selling a variety of boo-tiful items such as plants, home decor, Halloween items and more.

## Free Concerts at the Yunker Farm Bandshell Friday and Saturday evenings.







#### **Carnival Hours**

Thursday: 5–9pmFriday: 5:30–10pmSaturday: 1–10pm

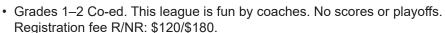
• Sunday: 1-5pm

#### **Event Hours**

- Thursday, 5–9pm (carnival only),
- Friday, 5–10pm
- Saturday, 12-10pm
- Sunday, 1–5pm (carnival only)
- Friday, 3:30-5pm,
   Special needs carnival hours (form required).

## **Youth Activities**

Recreational Basketball Leagues-Youth & High School These Recreational leagues will prioritize the development of players over winning games. Volunteer parents are needed to coach teams. Coaches will receive a credit on their account at the end of the season. **Registration deadline: October 31.** 





- Grades 5–6 Boys, Grade 7–8 Boys, Grade 5–8 Girls. These leagues keep score and standings.
   Players are placed onto teams by a draft process. All teams will be entered into the March Madness single elimination tournament. Registration fee R/NR: \$200/\$260.
- High School League. Leagues will keep score and standings. Players are placed onto teams by a
  draft process. Teams practice once a week, and games are on Sundays. All teams will qualify for
  the March Madness Tournament at season's end. Registration fee R/NR: \$220/\$280.





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For more information or to register for programs, go to <a href="www.mokenapark.com">www.mokenapark.com</a> or call 708-390-2401

Preregistration is required for all programs. Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Program registration may close before the deadline, if the maximum number of participants is reached. Registration deadline is seven days prior to the start of class unless otherwise specified. Additional fees apply after the deadline. Non-residents of Mokena Park District will pay an additional fee. No refunds on trips and special events or programs once they have started. Program information and fees are subject to change.