

CANDLEWICK LEISURE

SAVE THE DATE!

Fall - Winter 2024

GO GLO RUN/WALK

Saturday, **October 5th**, 7:00pm at Savannah Oaks

FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, **October 19th**, 4:30pm - 6:00pm at the Rec Center

\$1 per person or \$5 per family

Kid's games, costume contest, make-and-take craft, spooky music, family fun!

CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday, **October 19th** during the Fall Festival

TRICK OR TREAT

Sunday, **October 27th**, 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Remember to turn on your porch light to have trick-or-treaters visit your house.

Stop by the Rec Center for Food Trucks!

TURKEY BINGO

Friday, **November 15th**, 6:30pm - 8:00pm am at the Rec Center

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Saturday, **December 7th**, 10:00am at the Rec Center

HOLIDAY LIGHTS JUDGING

Monday, **December 16th**

Be sure to have your lights on by 6:00pm!

Amenities

2024/2025 Amenity Information

Watercraft Registration & Renewals Email documents to cwl@candlewicklake.org
Boats & Personal Watercraft (Jet-skis/Waverunners)

Mail, email, or drop off your current registration, proof of \$100,000.00 liability insurance,

and the completed watercraft registration form and a new decal will be issued.

Maximum boat length is 20' and there is a 90 HP limit on all motors operating on the lake.

There is no charge for the decal. All watercraft not registered to your Candlewick Lake address in 2023 must be inspected by Public Safety before it goes on the lake. All motorized watercrafts are required to be registered, have a new decal displayed every year, and have the member's unit and lot number preceded by CWL displayed on both sides of the watercraft.

Guest watercraft are not allowed.

Canoes, Kayaks and other Non-Motorized Watercraft

Non-motorized watercraft that are not required to be registered with the State, must display the member's unit and lot number preceded by CWL on both sides of the watercraft. You do not need to register non-motorized watercraft at the office. Candlewick decals are not required for non-motorized watercraft.

Storage Site Renewal Email documents to cwl@candlewicklake.org

Mail, email, or drop off your completed registration form, payment, along with registrations

for each item stored in the storage area and a new decal will issued. A current year's decal must be displayed on all items.

Storage Site locks will be changed on May 1st. Please renew your storage site and exchange your key.

Large sites – Yearly Rental \$250.00

Small sites – Yearly Rental \$175.00

Boat Dock Rental

Marina Docks \$500 per season

Stationary Docks \$325 per season

\$25 Key Deposit

To be put on the waiting list, please contact the Administration Office

Dog Park Registration

The dog park is located by the Outpost. All dogs must be registered and have a dog park tag and a key to enter. The tags and keys are available at the Recreation Center.

The lock will be changed on May 1st.

You must be registered for 2024-2025 season to use the park

Dog Tag \$10.00/Annually plus a \$25 Key Deposit

You must provide:

A copy of your homeowner's/renter's insurance

A copy of your dog's rabies vaccination including rabies tag number

Dog Park Registration Form

Extended Fitness Memberships

Residents may use the Fitness Center during regular hours of operation by presenting a valid Member ID card.

Extended Membership hours are 4:00 am – 10:00 pm daily. You must be 18. Sign up at the Recreation Center.

\$10.00/month per person

You must have a change of shoes to use the Fitness Center and Gym.

Savannah Oaks Golf Course

Please call ahead for a tee time. 815-339-0500 Ext. 410

Guest Fishing Passes Email pass request form to cwl@candlewicklake.org

Anyone age 16 and over is required to always have an Illinois Fishing License and a Candlewick Guest Fishing Permit in their immediate possession while fishing at Candlewick Lake. Active-duty military personnel and disabled veterans need to present a Military ID in lieu of an Illinois Fishing License and Candlewick Guest Fishing Pass.

Mail or email completed pass request form along with check made payable to CWL.

Annual Pass (Valid May 1st – April 30th) \$30.00 each - Limit 4 per household

Daily Pass \$10.00 each - Limit 5 per day

Three Day Pass (Consecutive Days) \$15.00 – Limit 5 per day

Guest Pool Passes Residents must be with their guests while at the Candlewick Lake Pool.

Children age 9 and younger must be accompanied by a chaperone that is at least 16 years old.

Annual Pass (Valid May 25th – September 2nd or when pool closes for season.) \$35.00 each - Limit 4 per household

Daily Pass \$5.00 each Your Member ID serves as your Resident Pool Pass.

A complete list of rules and regulations can be found at candlewicklake.org.

2024/2025 Member ID Card

Information

It is not necessary to renew your Member ID card if your Member ID card has your bar code printed on it. The following amenities will be included with your dues and will require a Member ID card. Your Member ID card must be presented at the time of service. If you do not have your Member ID card, additional fees may apply. All members of your family residing with you and wishing to use these amenities will be required to get a Member ID card.

(A Member ID card will not be issued to children under age 3.)

Resident Pool Pass

Resident Fishing Pass

Resident Green Fees

Resident Gym Pass

Fitness Center

Boat Decals

Snowmobile Decals

ATV Decals (for operation on the ice only)

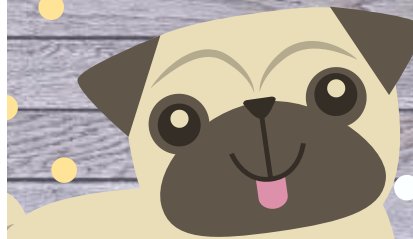
Your member ID is also available on the Candlewick app.

Waiver Forms

A waiver form must be on file if you, your children, or your guests wish to use the pool, fitness center, gym, or participate in any classes or camps. All guests under the age of 18 must have the waiver form signed by their parent or legal guardian. Waiver forms that are already on file are still valid. Contact the Recreation Center for more information. Blank waiver forms are available online, at the Recreation Center, and at the Administration Office.

PLEASE BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR!

Please do not deposit your animal waste bags in the port-a-potties.



This causes a major problem with the pump system. If this continues, the port-a-potties will be removed.



SAVANNAH OAKS OCTOBER



SHOWING ALL NFL GAMES

Bingo 11th & 25th 7:30pm

Pink Party 19th 2pm

Pub Trivia 19th 8pm

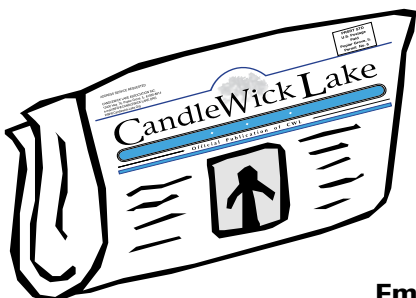
Halloween Party 26th 7pm

Bags League Sundays 4pm

Win-Big Wednesdays 4-8pm

Happy Hours 4pm-6pm Daily

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Bob @ 815-742-8333



Email: rbmadvertising@gmail.com

For Classified Line Ads call...
the CWL Office @ 815-339-0500
or visit us online @ www.candlewicklake.org

Savannah Oaks

Savannah Oaks News

by Lynn Pehanich, Golf Commission

Savannah Oaks Summer Activities Come to a Close

Summer is such a fantastic time at Candlewick Lake. The Savannah Oaks staff and golf commission have been working hard to provide a variety of events to involve as many residents as possible. We are pleased to see so many people enjoying the activities, food, drink and camaraderie that our facility has to offer.

FRIENDS OF SAVANNAH OAKS GOLF TOURNAMENT

The annual tournament was held on August 17th. What a great time!! This year's outing was our most successful fundraiser, raising close to \$4,000, which goes to the Friends of Savannah Oaks for improvements to the golf course and clubhouse facility.



The 46 participants played a two-person scramble, with a festive theme of "It's 5 o'clock Somewhere." Each hole had a special twist on how it had to be played. Other activities included a putting contest, great food, and lots of door prizes in addition to the Big Raffle. The party lasted into the early evening with live music by the Tony Amber Band.



Phil and Athena Pawlowski serve as the Friends of Savannah Oaks Chairpersons. "This year we focused on getting sponsors and vendors to enable us to provide as much value as possible for the \$45 entry fee, and next year we will concentrate on getting even more," said Athena. Phil chimed in: "We had the participants fill out surveys and got so much positive feedback and a few good ideas for improvements."



Both stressed how much they appreciated the efforts of Lori Hintt, Event Coordinator and all the volunteers that worked that day to ensure that things ran smoothly.



WINNERS: Open Division:

First Place: Doug Traceski & John Arenson
 Second Place: Hayden & Keegan Brown
 Third Place: Jeff Knox & /Aaron Rand

WINNERS: Senior/Ladies Division:

First Place: Chris & Melody Rady
 Second Place: Tom Pinkowski & Bob McHoes
 Third Place: Kathi Wingfield & Laurie Schubkegel
 Most Honest: Jim & Cooper Andres
 Longest Drive Men: Jaque Watte
 Longest Drive - Sr./Ladies: Chris Rady

Longest Putt: Karen Wolowicki
 Closest to the Pin: Jamie Durhan

RAFFLE:

1st Prize - Golf & Dinner Package: Judy Rio
 2nd Prize - Blackstone Grill: Lori Hintt
 3rd Prize - Sav Oaks Golf Punch Card: Lynne Zillman
 50/50 RAFFLE - \$214: Judy Gedrimas

LEAGUE PLAY:

MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE concluded their 2024 league handicapped, match play tournament. This lively group play every Thursday night.

Results: The men's league champion for 2024 is Jake Binkley- CONGRATS!



CHICKS WITH STICKS WOMEN'S LEAGUE ended their 2024 season with a Scramble event won by Ellen Fong, Dana Oliver and Kathi Wingfield.



YOUTH LEAGUE TOURNAMENT:

The Youth League Tournament on August 10th gave the 25+ participants a chance to showcase their new skills and improvements. It also gave them experience in playing in a competitive environment.

Group 1 was a beginners group with children ranging from ages 8-10. They worked on fundamentals including chipping and putting, as well as the basics of the golf swing using their drivers and irons/hybrids. For the tournament, each child participated in putting and chipping contests and actually played the 9th hole. It is so amazing and rewarding to see how these kids progressed over the eight weeks.

Group 1 Winners:



First Place: Cooper Underwood
 Second Place: Colette Lee
 Third Place: Claire Lee

Group 2 was in Intermediate group with kids ranging in age from 11 -13. During the program these kids worked on honing their skills with a lot more on-course play. It was our largest group so for the tournament was split into 2 sub-groups: A & B.

Group 2A Winners:



First Place: Avery Nelson
 Second Place: Vincent Mireles
 Third Place: Isabella Borkon

Group 2B Winners:



First Place: Colton Gallagher
 Second Place: Micah Welch
 Third Place: Zayne Hartel

Group 3 was the Advanced Group with youth ranging from 14-17. These golfers have been playing for a number of years and many of them are on the Belvidere High School Golf Team. Chris Rady who works with this group says, "Our goal is to give these kids instruction and practice to prepare them for competitive high school league play. Not only do we work on the skills, we teach them course strategies and etiquette." Group 3 played the full nine holes for this tournament.

Group 3 Winners:



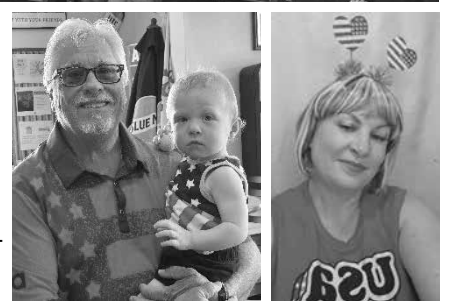
First Place: Luke Lerick
 Second Place: Ryker Wallace
 Third Place: Dylan Powell

FIRST ANNUAL FIRST RESPONDERS GOLF OUTING

Savannah Oaks and Candlewick Lake honored our local first responders by inviting them to a free round of golf on September 11th to thank them for their service to our community.



The outing was organized and run by Sara Oberheim (board member) and Phil Pawlowski (retired fireman). Ten first responders and supporters of all ages participated in this inaugural outing. They truly enjoyed the course, nice weather and food and drink at Savannah Oaks. They made sure we knew that they would like to do it again next year and are confident there would be many more first responders who would want to participate.



"This outing is a great way to say 'Thank You' to our local heroes. We will definitely make it an annual event and allow the time to promote it more and increase participation," said an enthusiastic Sara Oberheim in her red, white and blue patriotic hair and outfit.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for OCTOBER at Savannah Oaks:

- Saturday, Oct 12th: Pink Party 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. Celebrate our cancer survivors. "Pink Raffles, 50/50 Raffles and more Games.
- Saturday, Oct 26th - HALLOWEEN BASH:
 - o 10:00 am - 2:00 pm - Family fun with pumpkin decorating, donut contest, kids costume contest. Enjoy lunch of hotdogs, brats and chili.
 - o 7:00 pm - 10:00 - Adult party with live music from Wise Roy, bonfire and costume contest.

**SAVANNAH OAKS
 IN OCTOBER**
 Monday - 9am-9pm
 Tuesday - 9am-9pm
 Wednesday - 9am-9pm
 Thursday - 9am-10pm
 Friday - 9am-10pm
 Saturday - 9am-10pm
 Sunday - 9am-10pm

Rec Center

REC CENTER - BUILDING HOURS			
May - October		November - April	
Mon - Fri	9:00 am - 8:30 pm	Mon - Fri	9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Saturday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday	12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Sunday	12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
EXTENDED FITNESS CENTER HOURS			
4:00 am - 10:00 pm			
(\$10/Month/Person)			

CWL Rec Center Member IDs

You are required to show your Candlewick Lake ID to enter the fitness center, gymnasium, and pool for any reason other than programs.

It will cost all individuals a daily fee of \$4.00 to enter the gym, \$4.00 for the fitness center and \$5.00 at the pool if you do not have an ID. All guests must be accompanied by a Candlewick Resident.


Dog Park Tags/Keys

Locks are changed on the gate May 3rd. You must be registered for 2023-2024 season to use the park.

Please bring:

- a copy of your homeowners/renter's insurance declaration page
- a copy of your dog's rabies vaccination including rabies tag #
- Dog Park Registration Form, available on website,
- \$10 for Dog Park Tag
- \$25 Key Deposit

**If you have previously registered your dog for the Candlewick Dog Park you do not need to fill out a new registration form.



LENDING LIBRARY

Stop by the Rec Center for a book!
We have a great selection of books to choose from in the Water's Edge.
Take a book, leave a book!

Seeking Coffee Sponsorships

At the Rec Center

The agreement will be \$200.00 per quarter. The sponsor will be allowed to advertise their business with a sign not to exceed 12"x16" provided by the sponsor and business cards can be displayed in the provided holder.

If interested call 815-339-0500 ex 301 or email recmanager@candlewicklake.org.



CANDLEWICK LAKE REC CENTER GYM SCHEDULE October 1-31, 2024

SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
	Morning Walking 9:15-10:15	Morning Walking 9:15-10:15	Morning Walking 9:15-10:15	Morning Walking 9:15-10:15	Morning Walking 9:15-10:15	
		Kids Gym 10:30 -12:00				
Open Gym 12:00-5:00 PM	Open Gym 10:30-6:00	Open Gym 12:00 - 8:30	Open Gym 10:30-5:30	Open Gym 10:30-1:00	Open Gym 9:00 -6:00	Open Gym 9:00-5:00pm
GYM CLOSED 5:00 PM				Pickleball 1:00 - 3:00 18 yrs & older		GYM CLOSED 5:00 PM
	Full Court Bball 6:00 - 8:15 16 years & older		Pickleball 6:00 - 8:00 18 yrs & older	Open Gym 3:00-8:30		
	GYM CLOSED 8:30 PM	GYM CLOSED 8:30 PM	GYM CLOSED 8:30 PM	GYM CLOSED 8:30 PM	Full Court Bball 6:00 to 8:15 16 years & older	
					GYM CLOSED 8:30 PM	



GYM RULES-MUST HAVE YOUR CWL ID WITH YOU YOU MUST CHANGE YOUR SHOES BEFORE ENTERING THE GYM.

No one under the age of 14 may be in the Gym without someone 14 or older to supervise them.

No street shoes or dark soled tennis shoes or stocking feet are allowed.

No pop, food, or gum is allowed.

Guest day passes will be available for non-residents for \$4 and will only be sold to anyone who is with a CWL resident who has a proper ID.

Liability waivers must be signed by anyone entering gym or fitness center.

Minor waivers may only be signed by parent/legal guardian.

No playing kickball

No full court basketball unless scheduled


FAMILY GYM

"Family Gym" is designed for the enjoyment of candlewick families.


No unaccompanied children.

OPEN GYM

Must be 14 years of age or accompanied by a 14 year old or older.



Pony




CANASTA

Wednesday
from 1:00 to 4:00

Water's Edge at the Rec Center!

New & Used Gun Sales F.F.L. Gun Transfer Service



Helsell Gun Shop

815-389-3692

Hours: M-W-F, 12:00 - 3:00 Saturday, 10:00 - 3:00
1288 Rockton Road, Caledonia, IL 61011



Kids Gym

Every Tuesday 10:30 - 12:00

CWL Rec Center

This is a fun non-instructional environment for both you and your child to gather and socialize. Parents/caregivers must remain with children and supervise their play.

Equipment such as balls, mats, and toys will be available for your child to play with while you chat with other parents or join in on the fun.

This program is free for Candlewick residents. Drop in basis no registration is required.

Bring a change of shoes & your CWL ID!

REMINDER

You Need a State Fishing License as Well as a CWL License to Fish on Candlewick Lake!
Get Yours Today!

Rec Center

CANCELLED

Combined Strength Training & Yo-Chi

30 minutes of strength training with light weights and resistance bands followed by 30 minutes of Yo-Chi which capitalizes on blending disciplines not normally practiced together to deliver a mind-body workout.

Tues & Thurs 8 a.m. Oct. 1 – Oct. 24 \$25.00
Tues 7 p.m. Oct. 1 – Oct. 22 \$12.00



Cardio Dance

This class will combine lively music with a fun and effective workout. You will burn a ton of calories without even realizing it.

Tues 6 p.m. Oct. 1 – Oct. 22 \$12.00



October 4TH!

6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Water's Edge at the Rec Center

Anyone 18 or older!

BYOB & Snack to share.



Cardio Drumming

Session Oct. 10th – Nov. 14th

Thurs. 6:30 p.m. at the Rec Center

Drop-ins \$5.00/class



Wednesdays 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Thursdays 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

**Rackets & balls available at the Rec Center.
 This League is for players over 18 years of age.
 Bring a change of shoes to keep the floor clean.**

Candlewick Crafters

Want to join a friendly group and learn a new skill or simply work on your recent project?



CWL Crafters meet October 14th & 28th

1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Lakeview Room of the Rec Center.



**Fitness Center
 Orientation Classes**

The Rec Center will be offering Fitness Orientation Classes for anyone wanting to know how to properly use the fitness equipment and for resident's ages 16-17 who want to use the Fitness Center without needing a parent present to workout.

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Sign up at the Rec Center front desk.

Class Cost: \$10.00

Your \$10.00 will be **forfeited** if you are a **no show** when you have scheduled a class.

If you call the instructor and cancel, you will have a \$10.00 credit.

Community Events

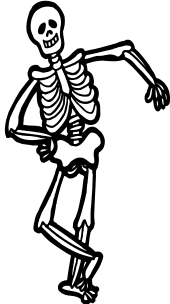


FALL FESTIVAL

at the
Candlewick Lake Rec Center
OCTOBER 19, 2024

4:30 – 6 p.m.

\$1.00 per person or
\$5.00 per family



Children's Games & Costume Contest
Make & Take Craft Family Fun
Spooky Music Chili Cook-off



Please drop off entries at the Rec Center.



1. Contestants should have their Chili at the CWL Rec. Center by 3:45 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 19th, 2024.
2. All ingredients must be pre-cooked and heated prior to the event and chili is to be brought ready to be eaten. A minimum of **3** gallons of chili is required for this event. If you don't have enough to share, the less chance you have to win The People's Choice Award.
3. Contestants are responsible for supplying all their own utensils and products related to their chili submission. Maintenance of the chili and its proper temperature for serving is your responsibility. Chili must be kept at 140 degrees or hotter during this event. Remember to bring an extension cord.
4. Spoons and cups for the tasters will be provided. All condiments must be provided by you.
5. Booth decorations are encouraged.
6. Judging will be from 4:30-5:30pm. "Judges Choice" and "People's Choice" certificates and cash prize will be handed out at 5:45.
7. Each contestant is responsible for policing and cleaning up the area at the end of the evening. Make sure you are at your area to hand out samples for the "People Choice".
8. Any contestant may enter the chili contest regardless of occupation.
9. Entries are due by October 13.

If you have any further questions, please contact Kathi Smith at 815-339-0500 x205.

JUDGE'S CHOICE RECEIVES \$50 CASH PRIZE



PEOPLE'S CHOICE RECEIVES \$50 CASH PRIZE

Candlewick Garden Club

Invites the Community to a presentation on

Bee Keeping

Saturday | October 12 | 10 a.m.
Rec Center Water's Edge Room

presented by:

Mike Hruby,
CWL Resident and
Hobby Beekeeper
for over 20 years.

Mike says, "Bee there and catch a buzz!"

The presentation will be followed by a hands-on craft time for making simple bee houses to help solitary bees stay in the garden and increase pollination.

CHILI COOK-OFF ENTRY FORM

OCTOBER 19, 2024

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

NAME OF CHILI _____

**If we don't have enough entries for the Chili Cook Off, we will not have a chili cook off.
Entries are due by October 13th.**

Community Events



11th Annual Glo Go Fun Walk/Run/Roll is a **Go!**

Saturday, October 5th, 2024
Check-in at 7:00pm
Walk/Run/Roll beginnings at 7:30pm

\$5.00 Registration fee for anyone age of 4 or older.
Anyone 14 years of age or younger must be accompanied by an adult or guardian

- Travel an approximate 2-mile course which will be illuminated
- This is an event for the entire family and friends
- Each entrant aged 4 and over receives a raffle ticket and glow-in-the-dark lanyard
- Get dressed in your 'glowiest' gear to win a special prize. Same prize awarded to an individual or a group.
- Wagons, Strollers, Big Wheels, Tricycles allowed; NO bicycles, scooters, or skate boards
- Raffle will be held as soon as all participants have completed the course.

Event is held at the Savannah Oaks Club House
 Food and beverages available for purchase from the Club House
 This is a rain or shine event



Around the Lake

Share your news with us!
 Congratulations, condolences, births, life events, etc., can be announced here in our paper!

We welcome your photos and news.
 Send your information to newspaper@candlewicklake.org.

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CWL FAMILY TURKEY BINGO

B I N G O

Come join us for Family Turkey Bingo
 Friday, November 15th, 2024
 Rec Center Gymnasium 6:30-8:00pm

Adults will play bingo for a chance to win turkeys. Kids can win kid appropriate prizes. Please bring a non-perishable item, toy, scarf, hat or mittens for the less fortunate in our area!



	20	42	59	62
5	39	56	75	
4	17	60	71	
11	18	32	66	
15	19	36	47	

You may bring your own snacks and drinks.

We will have a 50/50 raffle also!!



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Information

From the Table - Just a Bite

By S.L. Bartels, Drew Ct.

It's October! Time for the Great Pumpkin!

Pumpkins are native to Central America, but now grow on all continents except Antarctica. They have played a significant role in North America to the extent that we have designated several days this month to celebrate them and their history.

Oct. 1-Pumpkin Spice Day **Oct. 4-**Pumpkin Seed Day (pepitas)

The 2nd Monday in Oct. - Indigenous People Day -Native Americans taught the Pilgrims their method of planting corn, beans and pumpkins together; what they call "the three sisters."

Oct. 26- Pumpkin Day **Oct. 31-** Halloween & Jack-O-Lanterns

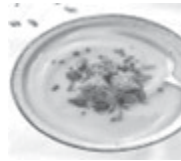
Did you know?

- Illinois is the top spot in the U.S. for growing pumpkins. This is due to our soil and climate.
- Although referred to as a vegetable, pumpkins are actually a fruit. (Scientifically speaking, anything that starts out as a flower is a fruit)
- Pumpkins grow on vines that can grow up to 30 feet long. Taproots on pumpkins grow 2-3 feet deep.
- Every part of a pumpkin is edible: the root, stem, leaves, fruit and seeds.
- It takes 90-120 days to grow.
- 80% of U.S. pumpkin crops are available in October.
- Most pumpkins are grown for processing into canned pumpkin.
- Morton, IL Processes 80% of the world's canned pumpkin and so is considered "The Pumpkin Capital of the World".
- Depending on the variety, pumpkins can range from under a pound to over 2000 lbs.
- A pumpkin weighing 1,760 lbs. was grown in Wheaton, IL in 2022. It was planted in April and by June it grew 40 lbs a day, taking 150 gallons of water every 24 hours.
- The largest pumpkin grown in Illinois was in 2015. It weighed 2,145.5 lbs and stood 5 ft. high.
- The biggest pumpkin grown in the U.S., so far, was in Minnesota on Oct 11, 2023. It weighed 2,749 lbs- the same weight as a hippopotamus!
- The largest pumpkin pie was baked in New Bremen, Ohio. It weighed 3,699 lbs. and was 20 ft. in diameter.
- Pumpkin pie recipes back in colonial days were not like today's. Colonists would cut the tops off the pumpkins, remove the seeds and fill the pumpkin with milk, spices and honey; then bake them in hot ashes.

Here are a couple of modern day pumpkin recipes I hope you will enjoy.

Spicy Pumpkin Carrot Soup

This luscious spicy pumpkin carrot soup is warming, creamy, and packed with health benefits. Plus, it's vegan, budget-friendly, gluten-free, and it's on the table in 25 minutes.



Ingredients:

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|---|----------------------------------|
| 1 tbsp olive oil | 1/2 lb. carrots, cut into chunks |
| 1 medium yellow onion, chopped | 3 cups low salt vegetable broth |
| 2 garlic cloves, sliced | 1/3 cup coconut milk |
| 1 tsp curry powder | 1/2 tsp fine salt |
| 1 tsp ground turmeric | 1/8 tsp ground black pepper |
| 1/4 tsp chili flakes, plus more to serve | |
| 1 lb pumpkin (or butternut squash), peeled, seeded, and cut into chunks | |

Instructions:

1. Heat the olive oil in a large pot over medium heat. Once the oil is simmering, add onion and cook for about 5 minutes until the onion starts to soften.
2. Then add garlic, turmeric, curry powder, chili flakes, and stir for about 1 minute.
3. Add pumpkin, carrots, salt, pepper, and give a good stir.
4. Add broth, coconut milk, and bring to a boil.
5. Reduce the heat and simmer for about 15 minutes or until the carrot and the pumpkin are cooked through and soft. Stir occasionally.
6. Turn off the heat and let it cool slightly. Working in batches, transfer the contents to a blender (do not fill your blender past the maximum fill line and be careful with the hot soup!) and purée the mixture until smooth. Alternately, you can use an emersion blender.
7. Taste and season with additional salt and pepper if necessary
8. Ladle soup into individual bowls. Top the soup with toasted pumpkin seeds, crusty bread or croutons, and extra chili flakes if you like.

Note: This tends to be on the thick side for me, so I add additional broth to get the consistency I like.



Pumpkin Pistachio Cream Cannoli

Serves 4

Ingredients:

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| 4 oz. mascarpone or plain cream cheese | 1/2 cup chopped roasted pistachio nuts |
| 3/4 cup powdered sugar | 1/2 cup whipped cream |
| 3/4 cup canned pumpkin | 12 purchased cannoli shells |
| 1/2 cup ricotta cheese | powdered sugar for dusting |
| 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice | |

Instructions:

1. In a large bowl stir together Mascarpone (or Cream Cheese), the 3/4 cup powdered sugar, pumpkin, ricotta, and pumpkin pie spice until smooth. Stir in 1/4 cup of the nuts, set aside.
2. In a chilled medium mixing bowl, beat whipping cream until stiff peaks form; fold into the pumpkin mixture. If desired, cover and chill up to 4 hours.
3. Shortly before serving, spoon pumpkin mixture into a re-sealable bag. Cut a 3/4-inch hole in one corner of the bag. Pipe pumpkin mixture into the cannoli shells, filling shells so pumpkin mixture is exposed on ends. Sprinkle ends of each cannoli with the remaining 1/4 cup of nuts. Arrange on platter and sprinkle with additional powdered sugar.

Note: Shells will soften once filled so don't fill shells too early. You want the shells to be crisp, in contrast to the smooth, soft filling.



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1	6:53 AM	6:35 PM
2	6:54 AM	6:33 PM
3	6:55 AM	6:32 PM
4	6:56 AM	6:30 PM
5	6:57 AM	6:28 PM
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7	6:59 AM	6:25 PM
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11	7:04 AM	6:18 PM
12	7:05 AM	6:17 PM
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14	7:07 AM	6:13 PM
15	7:08 AM	6:12 PM
16	7:09 AM	6:10 PM
17	7:11 AM	6:09 PM
18	7:12 AM	6:07 PM
19	7:13 AM	6:06 PM
20	7:14 AM	6:04 PM
21	7:15 AM	6:03 PM
22	7:17 AM	6:01 PM
23	7:18 AM	6:00 PM
24	7:19 AM	5:58 PM
25	7:20 AM	5:57 PM
26	7:21 AM	5:55 PM
27	7:23 AM	5:54 PM
28	7:24 AM	5:53 PM
29	7:25 AM	5:51 PM
30	7:26 AM	5:50 PM
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- OCT 1- Tile Memories
 - OCT 5- Frankin Games- (create a board game)
 - OCT 10- Hocus Pocus-Interactive movie
 - OCT 11- Lucky Times Farm- Story Time
 - OCT 15- Spooky Steam, OCT 16-Creepy Coding, OCT 16- Halloween Craft
 - OCT 17- Boo Bash
 - OCT 19- Spooktacular Saturday
 - OCT 24- Halloween Hang Out & Scary Movie
- *Check online for details and age groups for events listed.

October- Rockford University- 5050 E. State St. Rockford, 815-226-4000, <https://www.rockford.edu>
 OCT 1 to Oct 31- Chasing a Dream, Howard Coleman Library-Story of girls & women in Baseball, OCT 3 to OCT 6- The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee (A play at the Maddox Theatre)
 OCT 11-A Night with NASA- Engineer Renee Horton PHD – Free at the Maddox Theatre.

October- Klehm Arboretum & Botanic Garden- 2715 S. Main St. Rockford, 815-965-8146, <https://klehm.org>
 OCT 3 to OCT 31- Eerie Autumn Lights- (Tickets must be purchased in advance) Check website for details and tickets.

OCT 4- Rockford Fall Art Scene- for locations & details check on line- <https://www.artsforeveryone.com/artscene>

OCT 5 to OCT 6- Cider n' Cinnamon Arts & Crafts Fair- with live music Edgebrook Shopping Center, 1605 N. Alpine, Rockford, <https://edgebrookshops.com/events> Check on line for times, performers & details.

October- Severson Dells Nature Center, 8786 Montague Rd. Rockford, 815-335-2915, <https://www.seversondells.com>
 OCT 5- Science Saturday- Art in Nature
 OCT 12- Volunteer Restoration Work Day
 OCT 17- Full Moon Hike
 OCT 25- Spook the Dells- A guided interactive theatre experience.

October- Boone County Fair Grounds, Rt. 76 Belvidere
 OCT 5- Wolf Hollow Witches Market- <https://www.wolfhollowoddities.com/witches-market/> (Witches Cackle contest, Costume contest, Witches dance & more.) Tickets available at the door only. Check website for details.
 OCT 6- Prairie Riders Snowmobile Grass Drags
 OCT 12 to Oct 15- Fall Diddle craft Show, <https://falldiddle.com>

October- Karnival of Karnage- Haunted House- check on line for details, <https://www.facebook.com/karnivalofkarnage>

OCT 6- Boone County Farm Stroll- Self Guided Tour of 10 farms- For a map and descriptions of farms go to 2024 Boone County IL Farm Stroll. Turn in a completed Farm Stroll Passport for a chance to win prizes.

OCT 6- Annual Trunk- or- Treat with Screw City Jeep 815, Curran's Apple Orchard, 6385 Kilburn Ave. Rockford.-Spooky jeeps, Corn Tunnel, Straw Maze, treats and more. (SCJ815-fund raiser for Marshmallow Hope- supporting suicide prevention and grief support.)

October- Pig Minds Brewing Co. - 4080 Steele Dr. Machesney Park, 779-423-2147, <https://www.pigminds-brewing.com>
 OCT 20- Howl-O-Ween- Fund raiser for Paws Humane Society (Doggy Costume contest, raffle, live music, lawn games and more.)

October- Tinker Swiss Cottage Museum & Gardens- 411 Kent St. Rockford, 815-964-2424, www.tinkercottage.com
 OCT 6- Annual Trunk or Treat- Treats, music, food trucks, vendors, crafts, & more.

October- Boone County Museum of History, 314 S. State St. Belvidere, 815-544-8391, www.bcmuseumof-history.org
 OCT 6 to OCT 7- Main Street Players of Boone County- Holding Auditions at the museum for Nana's Naughty Nickers for more information- www.mainstreetplayersofboonecounty.com

OCT 10 to OCT 13- Somnium- Multi Media Production, Live Music Sinnissippi Park Music Shell, 1401 N. 2nd St., Rockford, 815-987-8800, <https://rockfordparkdistrict.org> Check online for details.

October- Midway Village Museum, 6799 Guiliford Rd. 815-397-9112, <https://www.midwayvillage.com>
 OCT 12- Fall Fever Craft & Vendor Show
 OCT 26- All Hallows Eve- Trick-or-Treating, games, activities for the whole family.

October- Nordlof Center, J-R Sullivan Theatre, 118 N. Main St., Rockford, 815-987-6660, (Rockford Public Library Nordlof)
 OCT 12- Gods & Goddesses Poetry Slam III, OCT 22- A Song Writers Workshop

October- Coronado Theatre, 314 N. Main St., Rockford, 815-968-5222, <https://coronadoasmrockford.com>
 OCT 19- Killers of Kill Tony
 OCT 20- Stayin' Alive, Bee Gees,
 OCT 24- Sesame Street Live
 OCT 26- RSO- Spooktacular

OCT 30- Life is a Carnival: The Last Waltz Tour '24
October - Atwood Center, 2685 New Milford School Rd. Rockford, 815-966-8747, <https://atwoodpark.org>
 OCT 19- In the Outdoors- - Hike the colorful trails, collect leaves & create a leaf masterpiece, pre-registration recommended

October- Nature at the Confluence, 306 Dicktop St. South Beloit, <https://natureattheconfluence.com> 815-200-6910
 OCT 20- Harvest Harmony Day- Corn grinding, corn-bread & soup samples, tincture making & more.

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