

# Mokena Baseball/Softball

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## MBSA YEAR IN REVIEW

Hello Everyone,

MBSA had a great year in 2012. The following are some of the accomplishments and behind the scenes effort that goes into making MBSA the smooth and successful organization that it is.

**PARTICIPATION:** 2012 provided the opportunity for 314 girls to play fastpitch softball and 583 boys to play baseball.

**BLAST:** Mokena Blast Girls Fastpitch provided 2 full-time travel teams this year with each team winning one tournament in their first year.

**BLAZE:** Mokena Blaze Baseball expanded to 2 teams per age level.

**CLINICS:** MBSA offered free off season training and development clinics for in-house participants. A program that is expanding heading into 2013.

**UMPIRES:** MBSA provided and paid for ASA certification for the softball umpires.

***2013 SIGNUP AND INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR ALL UMPIRES  
(BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL)***

Mokena VFW (Lower Level Hall) - Monday, January 28th @ 7PM.

# *2013 Spring Season Registration is Available On-line NOW*

**FIELD IMPROVEMENTS:** MBSA spends a tremendous amount of time and money partnering and working with the Mokena Park District to make sure the fields in Mokena are available and playable for all residents of Mokena. Most of the field renovation projects take multiple years to finish. Below are hi-lights of this partnering effort over the last number of years. January Newsletter will hi-light the improvements planned for 2013.

- Hecht Field #1: Grass infield added, warning track installed, backstop raised, larger dugouts, warmup mounds, and Kafka infield mix on the infield.
- Hecht Field #2: Reduced the field size to high school dimensions for girls softball, leveled and reseeded the outfield, readjusted the infield dimensions, watering system for field, and Kafka infield mix on the infield.
- McGoveny: Renovated with fences, dugout covers, and Kafka on the infield.
- Heritage: Renovated with fences, dugout covers, and Kafka on the infield.
- Helmet cubbies were added at Heritage, McGoveny, and Buske
- Investigated and solved Grasmere drainage issues.

MBSA is very proud of the services we provide our youth in the area. We are very grateful for the support of our participants, their families, and our sponsors. We had a very successful 2012 and are looking forward to a fantastic 2013 and beyond. Please have a wonderful and safe Holiday Season.

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