

Welcome Greg and Dawn!

Greg and Dawn have been married for 35 years and are the parents of 4 adult children. Greg has a BFA in graphic design and worked as a graphic designer for many years. Dawn has a BA in Early Childhood Education and is currently an Early Childhood Intervention Specialist. Greg loves to build with Lego's and is an illustrator. Dawn enjoys musical theater and crafting.

Dawn loves musical theater and was recently in The Music Man with Waterville Playshop. She has performed with numerous Musical Theater companies over the past 10 years. Their four children are: Nick, who works as a parts manager for Auto Zone; Doug, who works as kitchen leadership for Chic Fil A; Bethany, who is an apartment leasing

manager in Orlando Florida and Katie, who recently graduated from BGSU with a degree in Communications and Musical Theater. She recently moved to the Big Apple to pursue her dream of Broadway.

We welcome Greg and Dawn to the Maumee River Yacht Club!





Commodore's Log

Summer is kicking in to full gear, the boats are in, and the pool is finally open. We had a wonderful opening of port with the mayor and Marcy Kaptur as guest speakers. Memorial day cookout was a hit with our



members. Thursdays are back by popular demand for our patio burger nights and maybe a different twist some nights. Come support this great event every Thursday all summer. Check the calendar for many wonderful events coming up. Have a safe summer. And a special welcome to our new members.

Respectfully, your Commodore.



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Those below have been approved and posted in the lobby as required. We welcome them and thank them for choosing MRYC!

many members who attended and welcomed those who came. Many did sign to join.

Please reach out and introduce yourselves to our new members:

Ann Peltier John and Wendi Hendricks Fred and Kristen Krueckeberg **Barry and Kathy Conlan Thomas Butler III and Kimberly Jill Molnar**

Nancy Foley **Brenda and Dan Michalski David and Alison Schwartz Tom Stevers**

Share information on events at the club! Send ideas for newsletter articles and features! We want to hear from you!

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Welcome New Members!

Yes, MRYC has many new members, some families, some singles, some older, some younger, mostly social memberships, fewer regular or boating memberships – a nice blend for any private club and we are delighted our club is growing! Most of these new members checked out other clubs before making the decision to join MRYC. Every new member has a sponsor and co-sponsor, which is a current member in good standing who is willing to be a sponsor. This sponsor may be someone the incoming member knows or, in many cases, these incoming members do not know anyone in the club. At that point Sally (as Chair of the MRYC Membership Committee) either matches them up with someone who may have something in common or sponsors them herself and gets a co-sponsor with something in common.

What does it mean to "SPONSOR" a new MRYC member?

To sponsor or co-sponsor a new member means you take on the responsibility of seeing that the new member(s) find their niche in the club; that they meet others, feel welcome. That you reach out and invite them to an event or to meet you at the pool or have lunch or dinner in the main dining room or a drink in the tap room come fall. It means you, the sponsor come to know the new member, who they are, what they like to do, who else in the club they might like to meet. They may even have a friend or two who they could sponsor into the club. These first few months of integration into the club are really important. And we look to the sponsors to help with that.



Aren't we excited about all the new members coming to MRYC?

We sure are! It means we are growing and others are recognizing the best kept secret on the river....MRYC. We have the challenge of our wonderful location on the water. The challenge is that people don't see the club as they drive down the street and think: "I wonder if we should look into that club for membership!" So we have to reach out to become more known in the community.

How have we done this? Recently we joined the Maumee Chamber and have utilized their marketing services to their many members. We will be listed in their next annual publication. We are on their website and we distribute flyers in the bags of their monthly meetings. Sally also gave a 30 second commercial at the microphone of a recent meeting pushing the May 21st Open House. And we attend the monthly meetings.

Also, you, our current members, bringing guests to events at the club is a way of marketing the club. They come, have fun, meet others and want to join. It works!

Any concerns with this influx of new members?

Yes, for sure. It's called "retention" not only of the newer members but also of our current members. We can't ignore any member. We need to take care of each other. We can't grow if we bring in 15 new members and lose 10 out the back door. That math just doesn't work.

How do we retain members? Welcome them! Go up and introduce yourself, welcome them, get to know them. Most of them joined to get to know more people, so let's all make it happen!

What is my responsibility as a member of MRYC in relationship to these new members?

1. **Be positive**....no one wants to hear about all that's wrong with the club. No club is perfect, but why talk about the negative? What's the old saying: "If you can't say something positive, don't say anything at all." Let's apply that!

2. **Invite**...come on over to my table and have a drink or a sandwich by the pool or come and chat a bit....then don't do all the talking. Ask open-ended questions to learn about our new members. Without being invasive; questions like "Tell me a little about you." Because they may be just going thru a divorce and not want to talk about (or they may need to talk about it).

3. **Don't spread info...**that has been shared with you or that new-found friend will be short lived because they will learn they can't talk to you unless the want the whole club to know all their business. I always figured if someone shares their info with me it's not my info to share, it's still their info and it's safe with me.

4. **Be positive....**I can't stress this enough. Whether it's staff or member "stuff" you know that is not positive, just bury it, let it go, don't "grow" it b repeating and embellishing it. People will leave a club if that's the culture. SO let's stay positive and GROW!



Thank you for your part in growing our club, Sally Perz, MRYC Membership Chair



What's happening in

Catch the Rhythm of MRYC Schedule

Main Dining Room: Tuesday and Friday lunch 11–2pm and dinner 5–8pm

Pool: Open daily 10am for swimming & sunning;

Food service 11-2 and 5-8 weekdays EXCEPT Monday (club closed)

- When no food service (Monday) snacks, pizza, hot dogs, and ice cream treats available
- Saturday & Sunday pool bar opens at 11am; food service 1-8pm





Linda Palmer with MRYC chef, Sheena, and a favorite appetizerbruschetta, house made hummus, veggies, and pita! Comes in small or large size...Order it soon!

Check our Facebook 'MRYC' for up-to-the-minute announcements regarding activities, changes due to weather, staffing, etc.

You're Invited! Introducing New uxiliary would love for you to joir MRYC Merchandise! ichi JUNE 27 | 6:30 PM As always, MRYC towels will also be available for \$40! Join us on the taproom patio just bring a d are, dessert wi Please RSV to Tas 419.290.8680 G YOUR OWN PLACE SETTING THIS There will be a brief meeting for Auxiliary members present to vote on the slate of new officers for the coming year Ladies Four-Week Bible Study June 9 - June 30, 2023 A few women members of MRYC have discussed putting together a women's lunch Bible study for some time and it's happening this summer!

Gather at noon on the dining room deck Fridays in June to learn new ways to find peace, joy and freedom from anxiety through Living the Word of God.

Have you ever wondered what the Bible has to say about the contemporary issues of life? Have you wondered how to personalize God's word to your daily life?

Let's begin by focusing on Psalm 23 over the next 4 weeks and learn how it can impact our lives. All ladies are welcome! **Questions/RSVP to Barbie Curcio (419-944-6941).**

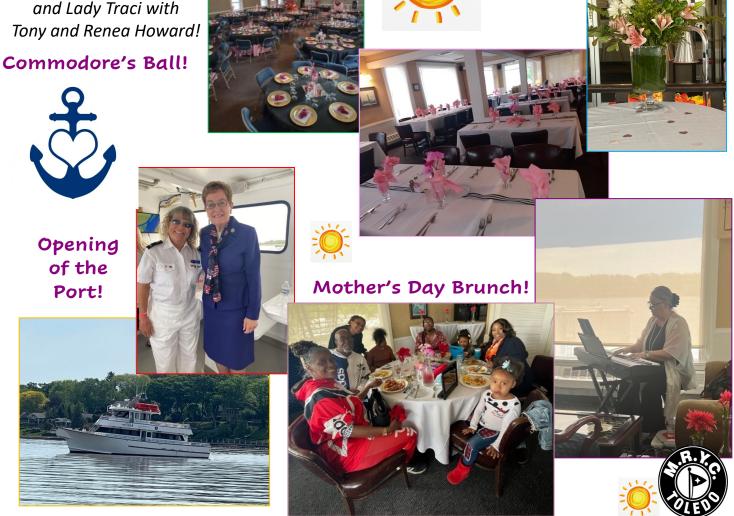
Exciting May Events!



Commodore Craig Stead and Lady Traci with



Ladies Auxiliary Game Night!



MRYC-Combining history, quality, and fun while developing new relationships!

The newsletters as well as other important information is on the updated website (<u>www.mryc.us</u>).



Be sure to refresh the site so you get the information!