



December 2023

Welcome!



In my first article as Vice Commodore, I say THANK YOU to all who have come forward willing to make this the best year yet for MRYC! There is so much to be done, our plate is full with many of the serious projects - the result of years of mounting issues at MRYC. However, we are determined to calm the choppy waters and set the club on a success path! Many people are involved and without them (and more needed) we cannot accomplish huge success desired.

This is a challenging time for all private clubs, including yacht clubs. Boating has changed over the years, member expectations are wide and varied, American loyalty to any institution has waned, increased options and opportunities for our time and money exist in a flooded marketplace of social media. In all of that, MRYC has to carve a new path to the hearts of existing and new members. We all can be part of the solution! You are invited....find your niche.....or explore a new one. Get involved, meet new people, give of your talents. Not sure how? Call me and I will help. Also, Come to the monthly chats to find out what's really going on and give your ideas in a casual setting. Much that happens in these "Chats" will never be found in print! You just have to be there.....

Yes, the first Saturday of each month I am hosing "Saturday Chats" with members, 10 a.m. in main dining room. Come for coffee and doughnuts; listen, share your ideas, get your questions answered or ask questions we may not have thought of yet. The first one is (I know, not a first Saturday) Jan. 13, 10 a.m. After January, they will be on the first Saturday of each month. Please come! Questions? Ideas? Give me a call

Respectfully your Vice Commodore,
Sally Perz

Ladies Auxiliary:

Ladies Auxiliary continues to host various ways for members to enjoy the club and each other!

December 12, 2023 Christmas Party 6pm
details on page 4

January 13, 2024 Welcome New Members!
Game night for all the ladies 6pm

February 13, 2024 Craft night!
Make your own pearl necklace 6:30pm

*Reservations required
for ALL events!
Tasha 419-290-8680*

Thank you

BIG thank you to Chad Buck who so generously provided the new (and necessary) chlorinator for the pool. Thousands of dollars Chad saved the club. Thank you, Chad!



Congratulations and thanks to Bob Curcio: First, on the birth of his new granddaughter, Leyla Mae Curcio! And thanks for Bob's continued responsiveness to all things board-related even while in California. That's MRYC dedication!

Your New Leadership:

Sally Perz, Vice Commodore

Jason Carroll, Treasurer

Judy Stone, Secretary

Board Members

Chad Buck

Chris Carter

Bob Curcio

Tim Erikson

Tasha Ewert

Craig Stead



(That's right....we have no Commodore. The frequent question asked of Sally is "Why didn't you just run for Commodore?")

And her response: "It may seem a little unusual not to have a Commodore and have the Vice Commodore be the highest ranking official of the club. We will be fine with no Commodore for this year. Commodore focus is more external, attending other club's balls and events. MRYC needs leadership focused on our club. We have serious needs and issues that have been ignored too long.

This is a turn-around year for MRYC and the Vice Commodore position is the best to make that happen. I've asked the entire board to be focused on MRYC as the highest and first priority. I will appoint delegates to outside organizations to represent MRYC. We will make great things happen for MRYC and its members."

Board Update:

The board has been meeting every two weeks laying the foundation for a successful year. Every meeting will have a 15 minute "Strategic Discussion" and board members will know ahead of the meeting what the topic is so they can research, think about it and be prepared to dig a little deeper into the named topic. The first one was about "Differentiated Pricing". No action was taken; discussion was hefty. The intent of the topic was to increase revenue to MRYC. The next topic or two will focus on other opportunities for increasing revenue to the club.

Additionally, the board is focused on the top two priority projects (which we inherited) the deck repair project and the aging lift station. Both major and expensive projects requiring outside professional expertise.

Further, the committees (required by the bylaws) were established with leadership for each. See article on Committees....page 3. Opportunities exist for members to join up....it's interesting and you meet more members, too!

If you have an item you want to go before the board, please send an email to sally@sallyperz.com with your request/information.



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Your Committees

Hard At Work...



The following is a list of the current committees, chair of each and a very condensed explanation of role of each. Size and composition of various committees are dictated in the bylaws (which are currently being revised by committee below). This committee structure was just put in place at the last board meeting. As you will see, more members are needed to fill in the gaps on various committees. Thank you to those who have stepped up and volunteered to be on the various committees.

House & Grounds Responsible for general supervision and care of the clubhouse and grounds. This committee actually takes care of many repairs and maintenance items around the clubhouse. More help is needed.

Chair – Bob Curcio

Members – Chris Carter, Tim Erikson, Ian Gagnon, Bill Schmalzried

Budget & Finance Responsible to prepare the club's annual budget in addition to financial statements and other requests of the Board. Prepare long-range plan and recommendations for appropriate committees.

Chair – Jason Carroll

Members – Tim Erikson, Chad Buck (need 2 others)

Dock Committee Responsible for assignment of docks, adherence to dock regulations and bidding procedures for docks, installation and removal of docks and related utilities, overall supervision of all MRYC docks.

Harbor Master and Dock Master – Craig Stead (need at least 4 members of the club)

Entertainment Committee Responsible to plan, lead and supervise all member entertainment in clubhouse and/or on the premises.

Chair – Sally Perz

Members – Chris Carter, Craig Stead, Tasha Ewert, Wendi and John Hendricks, Linda Palmer, Vicky Kwiatkowski plus current members

Membership Committee Responsible for all aspects of new member application process.

Chair – Sally Perz

Members – Linda Palmer, DeeDee Ryan, Renee Kreft, Nicole Horner plus current members

Pool & Pool Grounds Committee Responsible for general supervision and control over the pool, pool house, restrooms, and outside premises; enforce pool rules.

Chair – Gary and Shannon Bozigar

Members – Tasha Ewert and (need more members here)

Bylaws Committee Responsible review and update bylaws as needed.

Chair - Sally Perz

Members – Bob Curcio, Deb Rasmusson, Bill Schmalzried, Tamara Geer

We love it when members come up with an idea and are willing to make it happen! Sally got a call from Katie Ewert Williamson recently. Katie had an idea and wanted to start a monthly Ladies Bunco Night in the tap room. The details were worked out and the first Bunco will happen **Thursday, December 7. Bunco at 7pm**, drinks and dinner off the tap room menu starting at 5:30pm. See flyer for details. No experience necessary, just come!

Ladies Bunco!



Other FUN Events:





Toledo Sail and Power Squadron, a part of the United States Power Squadrons, will hold an in-person “Basic Boating” training at MRYC two Saturdays, Feb. 10 and Feb. 17. Registration begins at 8 a.m., class runs from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 for the class, \$35 for the book (can be shared amongst family members). Registration ends Feb. 3.

The minimum number of students is 10 and if that number is not reached by Feb. 3 the class will be cancelled. Any students registered will automatically be enrolled in the next class which is at River View Yacht Club on March 2 and 9.

We are told insurance rates are lower once a student takes and passes the course.

Big News!

**Contact Phyllis Zibbel
at 419-261-9069
or phylzib@yahoo.com
by Feb. 3 to register.**

Join Us

Maumee River Yacht Club
CHRISTMAS
Candlelight Dinner
Saturday, December 9, 2023
Cocktails at 5:30pm and Dinner at 6:30pm

STARTER \$40 per person
Gourmet green salad with walnuts, red onions & mandarin oranges
Optional \$25 gift exchange

MAIN ENTREE
Sliced tenderloin and 5oz chicken breast
Sauteed fresh green beans
Scalloped potatoes
Vegetarian option available upon request
Kids Menu Available

Drink Specials Peppermint martini & Jingle Juice
DESSERT Holiday dessert

AYC & I-LYA member and guests welcome.
Reservations Required by Dec. 3
Call or Text PC Chris Batch 419-392-0726

Maumee River Yacht Club
Ladies Auxiliary
CHRISTMAS
PARTY
DECEMBER 12, 2023

Cocktails and social hour 6-7pm
Dinner 7-8pm --- \$21

Side salad with dressing on the side, pork loin roast, stewed apples, rice & carrots and a special dessert

Gift Exchange 8pm-???

Item not to exceed \$15. Please wrap your gift.

Contact Tasha Ewert 419-290-8680 or email twohappyfeet02@hotmail.com to confirm your reservation.
We need a head count. Looking forward to seeing you.
Ho Ho Ho!

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VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED



Springfield JROTC at MRYC Veteran's Day Celebration



Members **Larry Palmer** and **Ernie Mease** reminiscing!



MRYC Member **Brian Geer** was honored at Veteran's Day

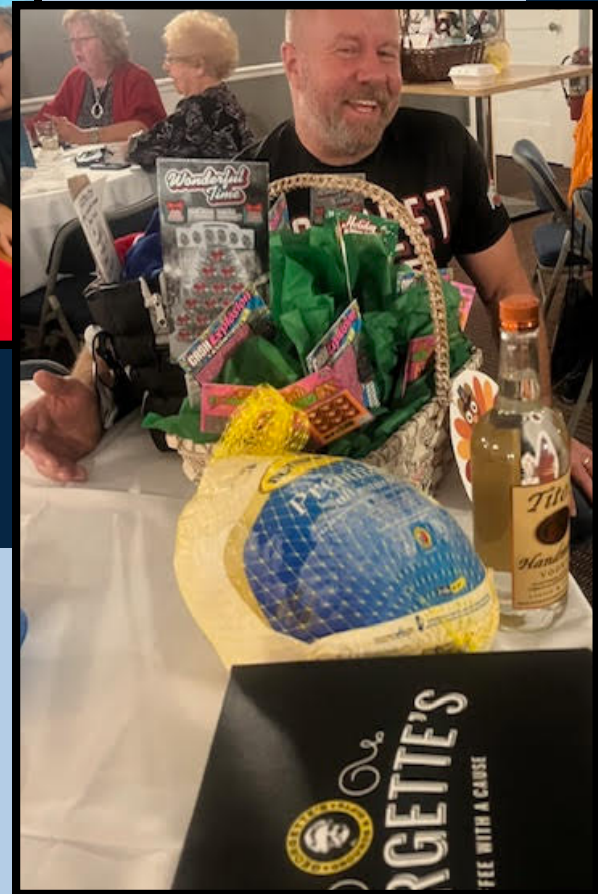




Fun November Events @ MRYC:



OSU/MI Game
in the Tap Room



Dan Kekes was the all-time big winner
at the Ladies Auxiliary Spin and Win

MAUMEE RIVER YACHT CLUB

BURGERS YOUR WAY!

Choose from
Hawaiian burger,
Roadhouse burger,
Avo-burger, bacon
burger and more!

If you don't want
a burger...
substitute with a
salmon burger!



AYC & I-LYA members welcome



And
something
NEW in
December!



At the time of finalizing this newsletter, this is the tentative calendar. With the new, incoming leadership schedule may change. You will be notified.

December Drinks

Jack Frost - Vanilla vodka, blue carioca, peppermint schnapps topped with 7up

The Grinch - Rum & melon liquor with a splash of soda

Naughty Elf - Spiced rum, cranberry, raspberry and orange liquor with a sugar & spiced rim

Jingle Blaze - Jameson, with lime, grapefruit and triple sec, mixed with heat and a tajian rim

Peppermint White Russian - Cutwater peppermint bark white russian

Salted Caramel Martini - Caramel vodka, with cream and a salted caramel rim

Thanks to bartender, **Morgan**, for taking the initiative to create December drink specials! And she has also developed the ingredients and recipe for our other bartenders to use as we aim for consistency in bar and kitchen practices. Thanks, Morgan!

December MRYC Events:

- 1 - Dinner MDR*
- 4 - MRYC Board Meeting
- 5 - Ladies Auxiliary Board Meeting
- 5 - Dinner MDR*
- 6 - Euchre with Tim and DeeDee Ryan (Tap Room)
- 7 - First Bunco night, Tap Room, 5:30 food & drinks, 7:00pm Bunco!
- 8 - Dinner MDR*
- 9 - Candlelight dinner, MDR
- 12 - Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Party
- 12 - Dinner MDR*
- 15 - Dinner MDR* (last Friday night dinner of the year)
- 17 - Christmas Brunch, MDR
- 17 - Santa in ballroom noon - 2pm
- 18 - MRYC Board Meeting
- Club closed Christmas week???*
- 31 - New Year's Eve Dinner**, 6-9pm



**This is a nice adult/ family dinner with option of partying in the tap room after.

*Main Dining Room (MDR) is open for lunch (11-2) and dinner (5-9) Tuesdays and Fridays. Various Fridays will feature foods from popular area restaurants and caterers. Check MRYC Facebook and your emails for updates.

Dates and descriptions are accurate as of the writing of this newsletter. Changes do occur and we apologize for any inconvenience as a result.

NEW

Exciting NEW HOURS!

Wednesday & Thursday 5:00-9:00pm (8:30 last call & no kitchen service)
Pizza made at the bar, bagged snacks, and other items will be available!

Saturday & Sunday 12:30 - 9:00pm (or earlier depending on business) with kitchen service from 1:00-6:00pm (*order off Tap Room menu*)

Please check Facebook for special times for NFL, NCAA, and Bowl games on multiple TV's and food and drink specials on game days!

Tap Room Schedule!

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