

# HARBOR LIGHTS



REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

KENNETH A BALOGH, REAR COMMODORE



We made it! We made it through winter and here it is April already and the Cleveland Home Opener was yesterday. Jeanie and I sincerely hope all of you and your families had a wonderful Easter holiday.

April and the Easter season always bring a new sense of hope as we enter the spring season of a new year. There is much anticipation that comes with all the new growth and action happening all around us. The trees start to come alive, the grass starts getting green again, and here come those dandelions. Everywhere you look, you begin to see new growth and activity that reminds us again that there is renewed hope for another awesome summer.

Likewise, our club begins to come alive after a bit of hibernation. There are many things going on here as well in spite of our ongoing pandemic challenges. Be assured that our staff is on top of all necessary precautions with regard to the safety of our membership. We have much hope for a season like no other as people get back to some facsimile of normal.

As our social calendar fills, I hope you had the chance to come down for the Easter egg hunt and or the Easter brunch. Both were a good time as usual and the Easter brunch served well over 100 people buffet style in accordance with the guidelines. As the bee hive comes alive, April holds many activities with an Open House, Blood Drive, Chat with the Commodores, Channel Opening, Change of Watch, and finally on May 1st the Kentucky Derby and MHYC Derby Day!

On the waterfront, we have boats going in the water already and the Harbor crew getting ready with springtime activities. Turning the water on to the docks is always a challenge due to ice damage and fixing leaks, but be assured, your dock will have water, thanks to our Harbormaster Mike Jablonski and crew. Special thanks go out to Tom Ruff, Jon Duer, Marty Weber, Brian Lake, Antonio DeJesus and others that helped get the flag pole back in action with a new paint job and all new rigging. You guys did an awesome job! Next on the list of accomplishments is the East Beach. As you know, we were successful in the fall and completed the East Beach Electrical project, which entailed boring under the channel from the Gas Dock to East Beach to run a new electrical cable to power the entire East Beach. Well, last week we had another success story. In similar fashion we pulled another pipe for water and a new fiber optic internet cable to feed water and cable to the entire East Beach and Docks. Many thanks to Jon Duer, Marty Weber, Tom Ruff, Jason Lallo, and Brian Lake for their effort to pull this new water line through. When you see them around, tell them thanks for everything they do!



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Then there are the Junior Activities of our club. Talk about coming alive! We have Sail Camp, Race Team, Swim team, Learn to Sail, Private Sailing Lessons, and Safety and Power boating classes all primarily driven by Kathy Allyn and her crew. With the help and guidance of Kathy she has grown the Sail Camp registrations to far exceed all prior years and in fact brought us to a place where we now have a waiting list if you want to be in with the “cool kids” and MHYC Sail Camp activities. Along with this she has made arrangements and raised funds to purchase several new boats, cradles, and accoutrements. In addition to this, I would also like to recognize and thank our partners at the Board of Trustees of the MHYSA. President Colleen Gallagher and her team have again, through their leadership and fund raising capabilities come to the table with huge donations of Sail Camp equipment. Their help has allowed Kathy the additional resources needed to help build our program into one that is the envy of the Lake Erie south shore and beyond. Many, many thanks to all of you, for all that you do for our club! When you see any of these people, please tell them how much their work and efforts are appreciated for the growth and future of our club!

Finally, talking about new growth and spring, we have an entirely new activity about to sprout up right before your eyes. Last fall, given the vision and leadership of Walter and Kelley Payerl, very soon you will begin to see a transformation of the Tennis Court area into a Pickle Ball panacea. I'm excited to see this new activity blossom into a resurrection of the “old Tennis days” at MHYC. Just say' in watch what happens over there, you are going to be amazed as we begin serving “Beverages at the Courts of MHYC”. Thank you, Walter, Kelley and all who have helped to make this endeavor come alive.

As you “come alive” and begin to prepare your boats for the water, please be safe. Be sure you have turned in a new dock contract, insurance certificate, and registration to avoid being held up at the Travel Lift. Wishing you favorable winds and following seas!

Suiteness!  
Kenneth A Balogh  
Rear Commodore, MHYC



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# APRIL HOURS

Monday, Tuesday | Closed

Wednesday Pasta Night | 5-8 PM

Thursday Dinner | 5-9 PM

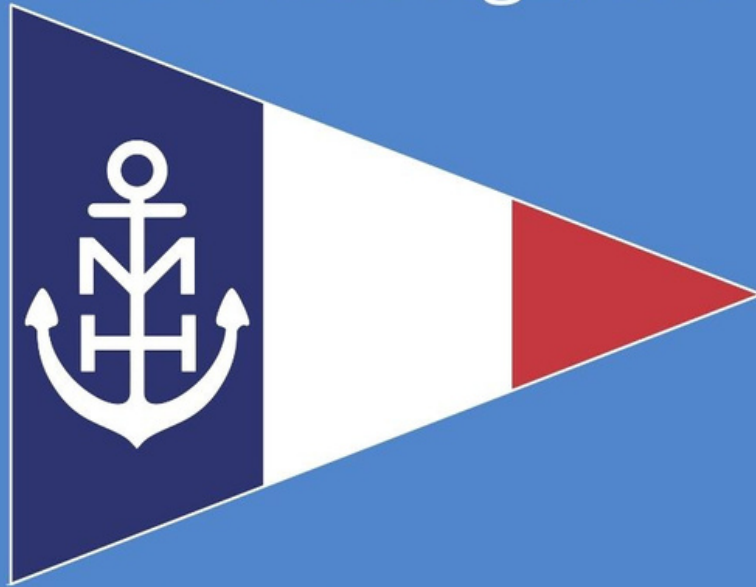
Friday Dinner | 5-9 PM

Saturday Lunch & Dinner | 12-9 PM

Sunday Lunch | 12-4 PM

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# APRIL MENU

## MHYC PUB

For reservations call 440-257-7214

### SOUPS & SALAD

**CLASSIC FRENCH ONION \$6/\$8**  
sherry/aged provolone/herbs

**SOUP DU JOUR \$6/\$8**  
chef's creation of the day

**CLASSIC CESAR \$6/\$9**  
crisp romaine/basil croutons/  
parmesan tuile creamy cesar  
dressing

**HOUSE SALAD \$6/\$9**  
field greens/cranberries/  
toasted almonds/  
gorgonzola/  
balsamic vinaigrette

**SPRING STRAWBERRY SALAD \$9**  
baby spinach/goat cheese/  
pecans/red onion/  
strawberry balsamic vinaigrette

**RIBEYE SALAD \$25**  
grilled ribeye/  
baby greens/grilled heirloom  
tomatoes/balsamic reduction/  
blue cheese crumbles/  
crispy leeks

\*G/F no crouton option  
Add Grilled Chicken \$8 or Chrimp \$8

### APPETIZERS

**CHEF'S CHARCUTERIE BOARD \$22**  
artisanal meats & cheeses/  
grain mustard/house chutney  
cornichons/crackers

**CHEF'S CRAB CAKES \$20**  
lump crab/dressed greens/  
lemon aioli

**CUBAN ROLLS \$13**  
pork, sweet & spicy pickles/  
spicy honey mustard dipping  
sauce

**COCTEL DE CAMARON \$15**  
gulf shrimp/pico de gallo/  
cucumber/avocado lime



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### HANDHELDS

Served on brioche bun w/  
choice of fries, sweet potato  
fries, house made kettle chips,  
tater tots, fresh fruit, or  
cottage cheese

**FIRE CHICKEN SANDWICH \$14**  
spicy breaded chicken/  
sriracha mayo/sweet & spicy  
pickles

**MHYC BURGER \$14**  
8 oz, char grilled/  
lettuce/tomato/pickle

**SKIPPER BURGER \$15**  
sauteed onions &  
mushrooms/choice of cheese

**ONE EYE JACK \$15**  
over easy egg/bacon/  
american & swiss cheese

**SALMON BURGER \$17**  
caribbean jerk seared/  
pineapple salsa/guacamole

**SHRIMP TACOS \$15**  
breaded shrimp/kimchi/soft  
tortilla/gochujang aioli

**VEGETARIAN MEATBALL SUB \$13**  
pomodoro sauce/  
melted provolone

### ENTREES

**STATLER CHICKEN \$21**  
semi bone in/fresh herbs/  
shallots/red grapes/  
cardamon

**PAN SEARED WALLEYE \$21**  
herb infused EVOO/grilled  
tomato & basil relish/reduction  
of balsamic & pomegranate

**ASIAGO STUFFED GNOCCHI \$17**  
cream/house pesto/tomatoes

**STUFFED FILET MIGNON \$30**  
10 oz./blue cheese  
crumbles/mushroom/spinach/  
bourbon demi-glaze

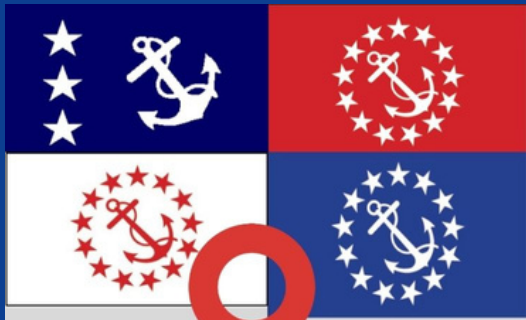
### DESSERTS \$7

**MHYC CLASSIC PECAN BALL**

**CHOCOLATE LAVA CAKE**

**WARM COOKIES & "MILK"**

**KEY LIME TART**



## Change of Watch/Channel Opening April 30th 2021

Charcuterie display  
Artisanal cheeses/ cured meats/ chutney/ crackers/ Grain mustard/ cornichons / olives/

Raw Bar  
shrimp/ oysters/crab claws/ classic cocktail sauce/ lemons /mignonette

**\$65**

Passed Hors D'oeuvres  
Tuna poke spens  
Beef wellington  
Scallops wrapped in bacon  
Boursin Cucumber cup

**5:30 PM**  
*Celebrations commence*

Cucumber Cream Salad  
Arcadian Greens/ heartseam tomatoes/ Crumbled blue cheese/ strawberries/  
toasted almonds/strawberry Balsamic vinaigrette

Lobster tail Stuffed Filet mignon  
Basil + wild mushroom ragu/ Classic Bearnaise  
Chef's Choice seasonal vegetable  
Whipped potatoes

Bananas Foster's Cheesecake



# TO DO LIST

## New Member Referral Challenge

FOR EACH NEW MEMBER VOTED IN, POINTS WILL BE AWARDED

MEMBER AT SUMMER KICKOFF WITH MOST POINTS WINS \$600 TOWARDS FOOD AND BEVERAGE

Refer a New Full Member

5 Points

Refer a New Yachtsman

4 Points

Refer a New Social Member

3 Points

Refer any other New Member Type

2 Points

Contact Sarah Gozur with your Referrals at [sgozur@mhc.us](mailto:sgozur@mhc.us)  
Good Luck!





Can you feel it? Spring has sprung, boats are getting unwrapped, cleaned up and out in the harbor. Patio furniture is moving outside and before we know it the pool and the pool deck bar will be up and running! With restrictions being eased on events in Ohio, MHYC is gearing up to be THE place to be this summer - even more so than last summer when it was the only place you could be outside of your home.

### **Reviving Traditions!**

Our March meeting focused on reviving events this summer including with a special guest, Brian Litra. For those of you who don't know Brian, aka B-Man, anytime he is involved, it's going to be good time!

- Bar Crawl (This is new - we will take members to various local waterfront bars on our boats) - June 19
- Dinghy Poker Run - July 31 - will include "poker players" from the Mentor Lagoons, ending on East Beach with a band and grill food.
- Dock Challenge - Aug 28 - We will have a special meeting for this event. Each dock should assign a representative to come to this meeting in May as your "Dock Captain" Social members will be represented by Patty Perry.

### **Channel Opening/Change of Watch Invitation - April 30:**

This is an extra special event this year, because we had to push off the official Change of Watch (where the Commodore is changed over in December). This is a very fun event, we request business casual attire, with nautical flare. Please be here at 6:00pm sharp for the ceremony, where my husband Duke will ceremonially become the Commodore, and Ken Balogh will move up to Rear Commodore) with all of the traditional pomp and circumstance. Afterwards, grab a cocktail and go out onto the pool deck, stay inside at the bar, or go over to West beach to cheer on the Flag Line (Duke Allyn, Mike Pettrey and Ken Balogh) as they cut the red ribbon draped across the channel. This marks the official channel opening. Dinner and dancing with a fun band The Four Kings will follow.



## April Events

- 3 - Harbor Nights live music
- 17 - Harbor Nights live music
- 30 - Channel Opening/Change of Watch

## Looking ahead to May

Every Thursday: Harbor Nights - Enjoy dinner and live music on the patio (if raining, we will be inside).

1: Derby Day. Have a mint julep and cheer on your favorite horse watching the iconic race on the big screens.

9: Mother Day Brunch - Give mom a break and bring her to a lovely brunch and photo opportunity to celebrate her.

15: Fitting Out Cookout -Come over for a Beer, Burgers and Dogs as you work on getting your boat ready for the summer.

22: Spring Planting Day - If you have a green thumb, let us know! Members donate flowers and plant the planters and grounds with annuals. Contact Sarah Gozur if you are interested.

## Memorial Day Weekend

28: Summer Kickoff Party: Epic Friday night dinner and party with a live band.

29: POOL IS OPEN!

30: MHYC Photo Scavenger Hunt: New to MHYC? Seasoned? Lets see what you can find around the grounds at MHYC! Prizes and lots of fun for adults and families.

31: Memorial Day Service: 9am service is a grand tradition where we honor our local heroes (police, coast guard, fire), as well as the servicemen, servicewomen and members and family whom we have lost. This is followed by a breakfast.





### Junior Sailing Options - Camp, Private lessons, and more.

If you are thinking about sail camp, please sign up ASAP and get on our waitlist! Members get priority and we may be able to open up a few more spots as we complete our hiring process. Because we expanded our offerings, we are able to give alternative options to kids who might be interested in learning to sail but don't want to commit to a full summer camp. Our Sailing Director Caitlin Agüero is managing the registration process and helping families find the best fit - camp, private lessons, our 1-week learn to sail camp Aug 2-6, or SOS (Start Opti Sailing) on Tuesday nights. Email [mhycsailcamp@gmail.com](mailto:mhycsailcamp@gmail.com) if you are interested in learning more!

### Swim Team

MHYC member Lena Valencic is a former coach/swimmer and is chairing the swim team this year. Quail Hollow's general manager has agreed to continue on as a cooperative team and the schedule is being worked out. Lena is working with Jamie to hire the swim coach staff. This will start in the beginning of June. See our website for more information and how to register.

### Junior Sailing Race Team

We are thrilled to report that Scott Trask is our full time race team coach this summer. We are very lucky to have him, as he was a part-time coach last summer, and the kids really like him and his inclusive and knowledgeable coaching style. We anticipate boats going in the water in early May with practices starting soon after. Scott just graduated pre-med from Case Western Reserve University, is a 2-time Area E Laser sailor in national championships, and grew up sailing and coaching at Hoover Sailing Club in Columbus.

### Boats Boats and More Boats!

We are refurbishing our FJ fleet as well as 3 420s. And, we are thrilled to report that Mentor Harbor Youth Sailing Association is applying your tax-deductible donations to fund our requests for 2021, including a 17' safety boat (a used Whaler) a new triple-stack trailer to move our race team boats, opti dollies (no more optis on the ground!), and with an additional anonymous donation we are getting 2 more club 420s for our older kids. We have also amassed enough donations and profit in the Junior Activities camp account to allow us to purchase 3 more RS Fevas, giving us 4 total Fevas to use among all ages at the camp.

Go to the [MHYC.us](http://MHYC.us) website, click on Experience then Junior Activities to get to our website where you will find everything you need to know!



## Harbor Lights GM Article March 2021



You may have heard that Mentor Harbor has some excellent momentum building in the growth of our membership. Thanks to the great work by Jon Duer and his committee we are adding members and fielding inquiries every week. To continue with this uptick, we are hosting an Open House this Saturday from 12:00-4:00 PM with cocktails and appetizers. Please invite anyone you know that might have an interest in one of our Membership classifications and give yourself a chance to win a \$600 food and beverage credit.

As I mentioned last month, our social calendar is very busy this year. I am very much looking forward to all of the fun club events that were forced to take a one year sabbatical. If you are thinking of hosting a party, banquet, meeting or conference this year, please let me know. Chef Rob has produced a new packet of event menu offerings that cover the spectrum from small 10 person meetings all the way up to elegant wedding packages and everything in between. Get your event on the calendar and we will help you start planning.

As you can see by the other articles and promotions in this publication, things are ramping up even more than usual for this time of year. We have put 2020 in our rear-view mirrors and the excitement is palpable. I look forward to seeing all of you at the Club very soon.

Sincerely,  
Jaime

*Spring into life.*

Give blood.



**Mentor on the Lake  
Community Blood Drive**

**Mentor Harbor Yachting Club**

Banquet Room

5330 Coronada Dr., Mentor, OH 44060

**Monday, April 12, 2021  
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Presenting donors will receive a coupon for a free cookie from DiBella's Subs,  
while supplies last.**

Schedule an appointment online at [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org)  
and enter sponsor code: MHYC or call 1-800-RED-CROSS.



## Hypothermia Tips April 2021

Welcome to another boating season: I first would like to welcome all our new boating members. Boating is a lot of fun and our power and sailing fleet certainly have events organized for this year. Be sure to check to contact who is organizing them this year. Also, just ask your next store neighbor!! You will meet a lot of new friends here. However, we also take Safety and Rules at MHYC seriously. I will be publishing an article each month on different aspects of safety.

There has been a lot of activity this past weekend getting everything prepared. The channel dredging is complete and I am sure you are aware the water is still relatively high. Even though it is warmer inland, it is much chillier by the lake due to the temperature of the water. Keep in mind the temperature of the water is 38 degrees. There are 3 or 4 boats in the water now so I think it is appropriate to address hypothermia.

There are a few reminder points: First, if you are unfortunate enough to fall in the water, any water temperature below 50 degrees for any more than 60 minutes or so is not compatible with life! Until help arrives, there are a few things you can do to increase the chances of survival:

#1 DO NOT LEAVE THE BOAT AND ATTEMPT TO SWIM TO SHORE UNLESS THE SHORELINE IS A FEW FEET AWAY. The body cools down 35x as fast and children will cool down even faster. For example, a good swimmer at best can swim only 8/10 of a mile before becoming overcome with hypothermia.

#2 Assuming a fetal position helps to reduce heat loss.

#3 Keep your head out of the water as it also reduces heat loss

#4 Always have a flotation device available and if more than one person, huddle together. Survival time with flotation device and light clothing increase survival time.

#5 If you rescue someone in this type of water rapid rewarming is essential. Remove heavy clothing and wrap them with any dry clothing (towels, blankets, etc.) you can find. Then call 911 immediately.

Be safe out there! Watch for the dates for the CPR classes this year!

Who's dreaming of Pickleball at MHYC? We are!

As you probably know, "The Courts" are getting a make-over.

The paving and improved water drainage part of the project was completed in the fall of 2020. We have now contracted for the second phase this spring 2021 with the acrylic surfacing, painting and lining.

Our vision has been to rejuvenate the old court area so that MHYC can offer even more healthy, active lifestyle choices. Seeing the enthusiasm around the makeshift pickleball courts last year got the ball rolling (literally!). See photos. When the final phase is complete this spring, we will have a safer refurbished multi-use surface which will include pickleball, tennis, basketball and 4-square.

There are other advantages to having a renewed court area at the club:

1. Offering a potential new revenue stream with a pickleball social membership
2. Creating community awareness...We have already had inquiries about hosting pickleball tournaments at the club
3. Adding new ways to interact and meet both new and established members.
4. Enhancing junior programs with a safer place for our youth activities
5. Differentiating us from all other yachting clubs on Lake Erie.
6. Providing motivation for the club to rebuild "The Courts" clubhouse (wink wink).

To all those who have made donations, thank you so much for your support.

We have reached 15% of the fundraising goal. For more donations and for fundraising ideas, please contact Charlie or Jaime at the club. Phase 3 will also require donations for nets and fencing.

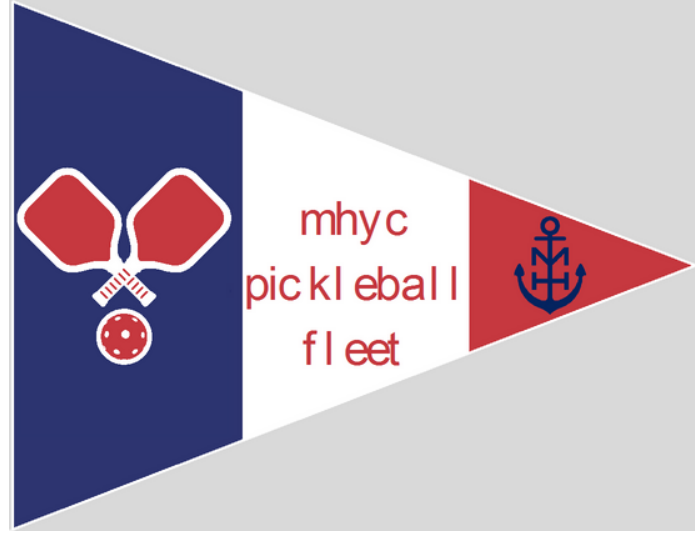
Keep an eye out for upcoming events, including our grand reopening party!



# MHYC Pickleball (PB) Appeal: Renewal of "The Courts"

We are moving forward with paving (Fall 2020) and resurfacing (Spring 2021) of "The Courts"! The Board has approved the proposal, based on member funding.

Please take a moment to donate and become founding members of the Pickleball Fleet!  
Total project cost \$40,000



**YES, we will support "The Courts" Renewal**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBER #** \_\_\_\_\_

**DONATION AMOUNT** \_\_\_\_\_

**Platinum Member \$2000 (PB burgee, PB shirt, free PB lesson from pro, 1 year no PB Fleet dues)**

**Gold Member \$1000 ( PB shirt, 1 year no PB Fleet dues)**

**Silver Member \$500 (PB shirt)**

**Other** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Circle Shirt Size**

<b>Men -</b>	<b>small</b>	<b>medium</b>	<b>large</b>
<b>Women -</b>	<b>small</b>	<b>medium</b>	<b>large</b>

**Thank you so much for your support. Looking forward to years of Pickleball fun.**

**For questions, please contact house committee Marty Weber 440-336-0973 or Walt/Kelley Payerl 440-725-0436**

**Please return the Sponsor Form to our controller, Charlie Davis, cdavis@mhy.com (or call)**

**Please circle the sports you will be playing:**  
**Pickleball**                      **Basketball**  
**4Square**                        **Tennis**



# NEW MEMBERS



Check out their bios in the lobby!!



# 2021 Event Dates

## April

- 10- Open House
- 12- Blood Drive
- 17- Commodore Chat
- 30 - Channel Opening
- 30- Change of Watch

## May

- 1- Derby Day
- 9- Mother's Day Brunch
- 15- Fitting Out Cookout
- 22- Spring Planting Day
- 28- Summer Kickoff Party
- 31- Memorial Day Service

## June

- 5- East Beach Reopening
- 12-13- Mentor Regatta
- 20- Father's Day Grill

## July

- 3- Fireworks
- 4- Commodore's Review
- 9-11- Junior Olympic Sailing Contest
- 17- Summer Celebration

## August

- 7- Falcon Cup
- 28- Dock Challenge

## September

- 4- West Beach Sleepover
- 6- Family Olympics
- 25- Commodore's Ball

## October

- 9 - Clam Bake
- 23- IOBG Black Tie Ball
- 29 - Witches Tea
- 30- Kids Halloween Party

## November

- 24- Guest Bartender Night

## December

- 4- Change of Watch
- 10- Member Christmas Party
- 12- Kids Christmas Brunch
- 18- Ornament Exchange





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