

HARBOR LIGHT



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* MONROE BOAT CLUB *

August 2015



**Club Commodore,
Dave Ryan**



**Vice Commodore,
Mike Anteau**



**Rear Commodore,
Wendy Campbell**

On July 24 & 25 with warm and sunny weather, the club was crowded with people celebrating at this year's Regatta! The theme was "Pirates" and V/C Mike Anteau coordinated a smooth set-up and clean-up to this huge event. We had the great bands "Distant Cousinz" on Friday and "Hoosier Daddy" took the stage under the tent on Saturday. The awesome skeleton fish shirts sold out quickly, and Paige O'Loughlin of the Ships Store says to look for variations on that design coming in the future.

Michelle Lachcik chaired the Commodore's Reception and with help from many Auxiliary members, delighted the visiting guests and AYC/I-LYA club Commodores in attendance with wonderful food and a back room decorated in the spirit of the weekend. R/C Wendy Campbell pulled out all the stops (as well as her shoulder), with outdoor and indoor bar service all day and all night for the entire weekend. All the empty cans were collected by Craig and Dennis Lamb in a special trailer to support the Special Olympics, which will return at least \$700 for them.

Jim Alban coordinated the annual Auction on Saturday, this year bigger and better than ever and netting nearly \$3,000 in proceeds, and everyone visiting the Auxiliary's Food Tent loved the Walking Taco's, Loaded Potatoes and Cheesy Fries.

Waking up each morning, breakfast was served by the Sail Fleet and among all the help, Jackie Heil was essential to the preparations very early in the morning (and late in the afternoon) each day, under the guidance of Martie Reed.

The success of the weekend depended on the dedicated help of many, many members volunteering their time, energy and expertise to execute a huge undertaking, and I and the entire club offer a big "Thank You" to all who helped.

Coming up in August is the Ladies 50/50 Sail Race on Sunday the 9th, and Saturday Aug 15 do not miss Boater's Breakfast, the Car Show, Solo Sail Challenge and Manny's Mexican Dinner all happening that day.

The Vice Commodore will hold a House Committee Meeting on Monday Aug ___?___ where the structure of the committees for the Knabush property will be discussed. Anyone interested in helping can let the Vice Commodore or me know, and your input is welcome.

It seems like summer has just started, but it is already time to think about Fall boat storage. This season our storage yard is open to AYC-I-LYA members who can store for \$3.00/ft more than club mem-

The 2015 Regatta is over! First and foremost I want to thank all members and friends who came together this year to make this Regatta a success. I certainly appreciate ALL of the help during set up and tear down. We started set up on Wednesday morning 8 am and by Thursday at 1 pm we were ready. What was even a happier sight was tear down started Sunday morning at 7 am and finished by 1 pm. A club is only as good as its members and we certainly have a Great Club! My tenure as Vice will be coming to an end in just a few short months actually 96 days as I write this and I am so thankful for the friends I have at the club and the friends I have made.

There will be a House Committee meeting Tuesday August 4th at 630 pm in the back room. I will host it in the main room because I expect a good turnout. We will be discussing needs for the building and grounds. We will also be discussing the new property purchase and take a look at forming some committees to take charge of the ongoing work that will need to take place so we can utilize all of the buildings to their utmost potential. It will be good to develop a strategic foundation so the next Vice Commodore can hit the ground running. Please attend if you have ideas or want to be part of the renovation committees.

Note: 40 work hours steak roast will be Saturday September 19 so get your work hours in!

Commodore continued....

bers. MBC Members are guaranteed space in the storage yard when you get your Storage Application and payment in by Labor Day.

This is also the time to consider helping your club in a Board Member capacity. The club is in good shape, is active, growing and exciting things are happening and being developed going forward. MBC is a big organization run entirely by volunteers and it does take some effort. Any member can successfully fill the positions, whether employed full time or retired. You'll develop deeper friendships with fellow members and be well paid with the satisfaction of contributing in an essential way to this great organization.

Thank You for making a Positive Difference!



Our Annual Regatta that was held on July 24th - 26th seemed to please most everyone. For those of you that have mentioned things that you would like to see added or changed, please remember that everyone is welcome to attend Regatta Planning Meetings that are held in May and June each year. The weather was beautiful for the most part other than the liquid sunshine that came down in buckets on Saturday night. A BIG Thanks goes to those that helped with the Regatta. I personally would like to thank the members that helped me with the Bar area. Thank You!!! Without the support and assistance from Dewey Edwards and our Bar Staff things could have been a disaster. I sincerely appreciate their assistance and cooperation. A great job by all!!!

On Thursday August 13th the Special Olympics of Monroe will be holding "Quarter Mania" in our banquet room. If you have never attended one of these events, I would suggest that if you're up to having some fun that you come out to the club and join in. Our weekly Burger Night will be taking place as usual in the bar area from 5:30 until 8pm. Burgers will also be available for those participating in Quarter Mania. Deliveries will be going to both areas of the club, and there will be a separate condiment set-up.

On Friday August 14th, back by popular demand, "The Blues Brothers" Revue will be at MBC for your entertainment. This group of guys does a wonderful job as many of you may remember from seeing them at previous car shows. Both the front and back bars will be open for the convenience of obtaining your beverages. Saturday will be our 9th Annual Car Show with no entry fee, food, door prizes, trophies, dash plaques and goodie bags. DJ Wally Gator will be spinning the tunes throughout the day. We will begin at 9am with Boaters Breakfast. Following the car show, Manny's Famous Mexican Dinner will be available. MBC is a proud sponsor of the Car Show and Special Olympics. A Big Thanks goes to Billy and Sheri Amatucci for chairing the Car Show.

On Sunday August 23rd the Breakfast crew will be cooking up another one of their Wonderful Boaters Breakfasts for your enjoyment. The Breakfast is from 9am until Noon.



**Club/Community
Events Committee,
Charlotte Neuhauser**



**Auxiliary,
Celeste Hoitash**



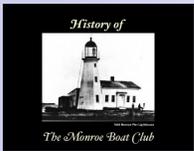
**Power Fleet Capt.
Bill LeVally**

ACTIVITIES:

- Sep 9 - *MBC Book Club*
- Nov 5 - *Caribbean Sailing Cruise Adventure presentation by 8 MBC members*



The Book Club ...The Club will read The Liar by Nora Roberts for its September 9 meeting. (Note: this is the second Wednesday due to the Labor Day holiday.) They welcome anyone who is interested in a little reading and a day to lunch and talk with friends!



Final call...If there

is anyone who would like to purchase History of the Monroe Boat Club book for \$40, please contact Charlotte Neuhauser, at

248.982.8199 or send a check, made out to Monroe Boat Club, to the club addressed to Charlotte. The book includes historical information of the Monroe Yacht Club from 1868-1945 and then the merger in 1945 to form Monroe Boat Club, ending with 2015. The book is a shiny black, bound, hard cover, 8 1/2 x 11 landscape style, interior color on black pages, and 43 pages, both sides, in length.



Bringing “up north” to downtown Detroit!

Located on Detroit’s riverfront in the historic Globe Building, with the Dequindre Cut Trail running through its backyard, the Outdoor Adventure Center

(OAC) gives you a taste of Michigan’s great outdoors in the heart of the city. On a rainy day or during the winter, you may now experience outdoor adventures with hands-on activities, exhibits and simulators—walk behind and touch a waterfall, reel in a big fish, hit the trail on a mountain bike or snowmobile, and more. You will learn how the Department of Natural Resources manages state parks, forests, wildlife, and fish. The Center opened July 20.



Remember what summer camp

was like as a kid... This screen-free event is perfect for the 21 and older adult who needs to remember how to play again, September 18-20, 2015. Designed for both men and women, campers will be

separated into girls and boys cabins, but don’t worry, late-night shenanigans will be encouraged.

The activities include archery, arts & crafts, beach volleyball, campfires/storytelling, canoeing/kayaking, climbing tower, dance, disc golf. Fishing, high ropes course, gaga ball, hiking, mountain biking, orienteering, skits, sports, swimming, zip lines, and more.

Screen-free is just like what it sounds - that means no smartphones, no tablets, no laptops, no Wi-Fi. (With exceptions for emergencies or after-dinner family checks-in if needed.) We will instead provide participants with journals and disposable cameras to get back to the way we used to experience recreation! This may be an activity that a group of non-boaters might be interested in going together.

Can you believe that it is the end of July, 2015? Truly, the summers in Michigan are short and, for some of us, the hot weather this summer in Michigan has even been shorter. The “heat” is just beginning, it seems, and the fall season is rapidly approaching. For now, though, let us all enjoy safe this boating season to the fullest and be safe, no matter what the temperature, humidity or dampness.

Speaking of weather, we can all now officially say that the MBC Regatta has taken place because it, again, rained and soaked several of our patrons at the event. We thought that we would be able to make it thru a year without getting wet (it has rained, consistently over the last 3-4 years at our Regatta), and Saturday evening the tradition at MBC continued, as we all corralled under the two outside tents, or inside the club, as the rain, and I mean torrential rain, came down. That didn’t stop the show, though, as for about a 1/2 hour or so, the band played and we all danced and sang as we waited for the rain to stop. As they say in show biz, the “show must go on”, it did and every body seemed to have a great time!

Again this year, the Auxiliary stepped up to handle the outside food as well as, the Commodore’s reception. Both of these events take a lot of time to organize and require a number of dedicated people. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Auxiliary and General members who donated their time, labor and talent into making both of these functions a success. While I chaired the outside food, our Vice President, Michele Lachcik, chaired the reception. These two “events” are only some of the pieces of the Regatta puzzle that help to make the overall Regatta of Monroe Boat Club successful. Thank you all.

CCEC Continued:

Arriving on Friday, September 18 between 4-10:00 pm (dinner provided at 6:00); departing on Sunday September 20 (lunch provided), this all-inclusive experience includes lodging, meals, activities, crafts, and an official Camp Kitigin participant pack: drawstring bag, journal and pen, disposable camera, and more surprises. Cost: \$200/participant. For information, contact Camp Kitigin, YMCA Camp Timbers, 3269 Horseshoe Lake Rd, West Branch, MI 48661 or click on

http://www.viethconsulting.com/members/evr/reg_event.php?orgcode=MRPA&evid=1150358

Poker runs, club cruises, regatta, and a green lake, sounds like something you could make a movie about. If you missed any of these things you missed some fun, well maybe not the algae we can do without that.

The last month has been busy with great times and great friends. We survived the high water and flowing Maumee River for T.S.C. Poker run with seven boats dodging the garbage floating to make the run. The run to Swan Boat Club was a great run with calm seas and plenty of water giving M.B.C a super turn out of seventeen boats. Only three more poker runs left, if you have not attended one yet the summer is getting short, you should think about joining in the fun.

Club cruises are a great way to explore new places and meet some other club members. Myself and Lori were lucky enough to have a clear schedule to make the middle bass island cruise, and what a wonderful relaxing weekend. The lake and weather was just beautiful. We got to meet some new members, go aboard and check out some sail boats, have dinner and camp fires with all our friends.

Check the boards for upcoming events.

MBC Once again pulled off one of the best regattas on the lake. Thanks to all who gave their time to setup tear down cook the food and lend a hand to make it a success. I’m sure everyone had a great time. Even Mother Nature did not disappoint us and kept what seems like a tradition by giving us a short rain shower. People ran for cover, the band jammed on the skies cleared and the party kept rolling, what fun. Be sure to thank the whole crew for their hard work.

Thanks to everyone who attended.

POKER RUN SCHEDULE:	
Jul 31-Aug 2	Maumee River
Aug 21-23	Bay View
Sep 11-13	Detroit Beach





Sail Fleet Captain, Troy Willett

Hello and greetings from the wheel, yep, I said wheel. I'm currently at the helm of the Morgan 45 known to some as "Chizzler" as we transport the boat to the start of the infamous Port Huron to Mackinac race held by Bayview Yacht Club. Thank goodness for auto pilot, or I'd have my hands full writing this. By the time you read this the race will be over and I hope to have been on the winners podium.

The sailing season has been a good one, we've had lots of races, the Mills, the Port Huron to Mackinac and our very own Race for the Sisters. Upcoming are the Ladies 50/50 Race and the Solo Challenge. Our Tuesday night racing had seen the largest JAM fleet in recent years, what a great sign for the health of our club and the sail fleet! Congratulations to all involved!

Well, it's time to give way to a large freighter coming up from behind in the St. Claire River. So I'll sign off for now and remind you all to come on out, support the club, ask a sailor to take you out on the lake, and enjoy the rest of your summer!

See you around the club.

Rear Commodore, continued....

As many of you have requested, "Name That Tune" will be returning. Mark your calendar for Saturday September 19th starting about 7pm and this time it will be held in the Banquet Room. Get your teams together and be prepared for a great evening of fun. Teams of no more than 10 people, 8 rounds, 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's, 00's, Country and 2 bonus rounds. Jackpot rounds at the end of each round. No Cell Phones are allowed. Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

SUMMER CRUISE

SCHEDULE:

Aug 21 - Port Clinton YC

Summer Storage Season

May 1 - Nov 1

Contact VIC Mike Anteau



Dock Master, Tom Henry

So sad to see that we are now on the backside of Summer. What a great crew of people helping me on the docks for our Regatta! Thank you Mike McCormick and Fred Lemerand for your guidance with the docks; it is greatly appreciated. We had approximately 20 visiting boats for Regatta. No incidents to report; everything ran exceptionally well.

Our Commodore has such an awesome Board that really pulled out all stops and made MBC Regatta the best it could be. Christine and I are proud to be members of this amazing club. All of the volunteers came together and really made us the premier club we are.

Prior to Regatta, we had a couple of rents on docks that were taken care of. Hopefully, we will have the large D dock on the new property available for rent soon. I would like to wish everyone a safe and fun boating experience for these remaining Summer days.

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Dock Master.....Tom Henry

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.....(OH) Jim Brzuchalski

ILYA Delegate.....P/C Mike Powers
.....Alt. Troy Willett

Parliamentarian.....Lance Piedmonte

Chaplain.....Fr. Darin Robert

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View the Harbor Light and other club events online!



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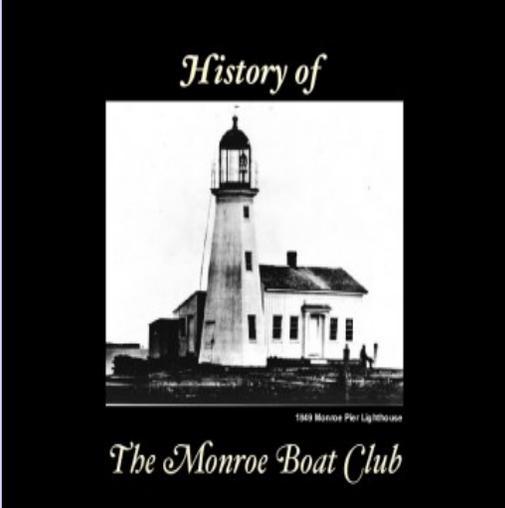
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NAME
THAT
TUNE
Sept. 19th 7pm
Teams of No more than Ten
8 Rounds
50's, 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's, 00's, Country
and 2 Bonus rounds
Jackpot rounds at the end of each round
Cell phones NOT ALLOWED
Prizes awarded to the winners



Price: \$40. Send check, made out to Monroe Boat Club, to CCEC, MBC, 7932 N. Harbor Drive, Monroe, MI 48161-3825.



9th Annual MBC Car Show

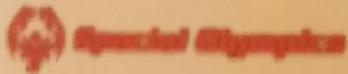
- Entertainment during and after the show
 - Friday: back by popular demand:
The BLUES BROTHERS
 - Saturday: DJ Wally Gator
- Food
- Door prizes
- Trophies awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place,
and Commodore's Choice
- Dash plaques and Goodie Bags
- Manny's Mexican Dinner after the show
- Boater's Breakfast Saturday 9 AM

Saturday, August 15, 2015
10:00 a.m. til ???

NO entry fee!



MBC Blue Gavel is a proud sponsor of the Car Show and



QUARTERMANIA FUNDRAISER



Thursday, August 13th
Monroe Boat Club
7932 N. Harbor Dr., Monroe, MI

BURGER NIGHT
CASH BAR

Doors open at 5:30 pm
Bidding begins at 6:30 pm

1 Paddle for \$5 or 3 Paddles for \$10

Quartermania is a cross between an auction and a raffle where people 'bid' with quarters to win a product/prize of brand new goods donated from local businesses and various home business vendors such as Thirty-One, Premier Design, Tupperware, Rodan & Fields, Norwex, Upper Case, Mary Kay, Lephew's Cup-Cakery, Tastefully Simple, Miche, Jam Berry Nails, Susie's Sweets & Eats and much more!

It's simple and its loads of fun!! Lots of great prizes/products to bid on and everyone is a winner because of the excitement that is all over the room!

**All proceeds to benefit the
Monroe County Special Olympics**

BRING YOUR QUARTERS

Questions? Email lambtam@hotmail.com
Or Tammy Lamb 734-847-2203

AUGUST MEETING SCHEDULE:

12 Aug Board 7pm
26 Aug Membership 7pm

From the Blue Gavel

On behalf of the Blue Gavel, I would like to extend a big thank you to all who were involved in this year's two steak roasts! It was a tremendous success generating revenue of \$2223.66!

Some of you are familiar with this branch of our club. For the newer members, the Blue Gavel is a group of Past Commodores from our Club whose purpose is to support the club by offering guidance to our board as well as direction when possible to future projects in and around the club. We also help by raising money and allocating money raised for specific projects at the club.

One of our fund raisers that we would like to bring to your attention are the Paver Stones that are around the Flag Pole. This unfortunately has gone quiet as of late. If you are interested in having your name, or your name and that of your spouse etc. inscribed and installed in this area, we can do this. The cost per paver is just \$35 for three lines, or \$70 for 4 lines. Installation for orders taken through this summer are scheduled for this upcoming spring. If you are interested in purchasing, please contact Billy Amatucci and he will provide you with the necessary form to fill out.

Thank you all in advance and always continue to support your club when ever possible!

P/C Ron Soto

To: ALL MBC MEMBERS
From: Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee would like to invite each member to consider the possibility of running for an office and serving your fellow members. Sure, it takes time. Indeed, we are all busy. However, don't let those reasons become excuses.

Rewards from serving as an Officer cannot be measured in financial gain or imagined status; however to serve your club is most gratifying. Being elected to office or serving on an active committee affords the opportunity to learn how our organization functions, and to participate in its progress.

Please take the time to consider these opportunities, attend regular Membership Meetings, and lastly, speak with a Board or Blue Gavel member to learn more about this rewarding experience.

2015-2016 OFFICER and BOARD NOMINATIONS

At the September 23rd General Membership Meeting, nominations for the election slate will be selected. We invite all members to become involved in managing our club and consider serving as an elected Officer. A publication entitled "Roles and Responsibilities" has been compiled to assist you with understanding the duties and obligations associated with any elected office. Please request a copy from any Board Member.

Don't be bashful or think you can't do this because YOU CAN! You will surprise yourself and also find it to be gratifying and rewarding. Those who have served in the past have no regrets about time spent as Officers and/or Board Members for MBC.

If you are contacted to consider running for an office, consider it a true compliment and contemplate the possibility!

Contact any of the Nominating Committee members below about adding YOUR name to the ballot. Thank you for your time!

P/C Ric Murray
734-848-5502

David Amer
734-856-5953

P/C Rodger Dutton
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\$18k. Twin gas 350s, camper
canvas w screens, custom alum
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734-646-1293

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MONROE BOAT CLUB CALENDAR-AT-A-GLANCE

August

- 4 - House Committee Mtg. 7pm
- 9 - Ladies 50/50 Race
- 12 - Board Meeting 7pm**
- 13 - Quarter Mania
- 14 - Blues Brothers Revue
- 15 - Solo Challenge 10am
 - Car Show
 - Manny's Mexican
- 21 - Poker Run/BVYC
- 21 - Club Cruise/PCYC
- 23 - Boater's Breakfast 9am
- 26 - Gen. Membership Mtg. 7pm**

Ongoing Events:

- Tuesdays - Sail Fleet Races
- Thursdays - Burgers &
Soup Night
- Sundays - Boater's Break-
fast

September

- 9- Board Meeting 7pm**
- 11 - Poker Run/DBBC
- 14 - Blue Gavel Meeting 7pm
- 19 - Name That Tune 7pm
- 23- Board Meeting 630pm**
 - Gen. Membership Mtg. 7pm
- 27 - Boater's Breakfast 9am

BURGER NIGHT

Thursdays 5:30-8:00 pm

Offering Delicious

**Homemade
Soup!**

