

Well, we have almost gotten another season on the books. For those of you who did not come to the Labor Day gathering, you missed one great party. The pig roast was a hit and the raffle was great. Congratulations to Sharon McCarthy who won the Dingy & Motor Raffle. Barb Uland was the seller of the winning ticket. Thanks to all who sold tickets. Your efforts allowed us to purchase the emergency defibrillator that is located in the gazebo. Thanks to all who helped with the various get togethers this season. Sharon and Barb donated the dingy, motor, and winning seller money to Katrina Hurricane Relief fund. The members voted to give \$1,000.00 from the treasury and approximately \$650.00 was collected from the attending members. The funds were given to Karl Steuk. He will see that the collected funds are sent for the relief effort. Go gals and thank you Karl! We have had many impromptu parties at the club as well as successful gatherings at our land cruises. Word has it that everyone has enjoyed the camaraderie during the past months. The success of this or any club is its members and their participation. There has been no lack of help and enthusiasm. Paula and Rocky Gross have planned a wonderful land cruise for this winter so please try to attend if at all possible. I'm sure this one will be memorable. We plan to have a calendar of events for next year to be put into the early newsletter. Please contact Paula with any suggestions. Hopefully, by doing this ahead of time, more members will take advantage of the fun and entertainment. We finally have a positive commitment from the State of Ohio, Division of Parks. They have committed the use of 65 docks and granted us a home for our club when the new Marina facility is finished. This is a giant step for MBIYC on the road to securing a future for our membership. I feel confident that we can now negotiate a lasting partnership with the state to insure a strong commitment for generations to come.

We Need Your Support!

Request for Advertisements for our Yearbook.

Hello from Middle Bass Island Yacht Club!

We are currently putting together our 2005 yearbook and are looking for local businesses to help by advertising in our book. There are close to 500 members that will be receiving this publication (and a copy for each advertiser). The Yearbook should be out by February 2006. Please send your check (*made out to MBIYC*) along with your ad and the below information by **October 15, 2005**. Either send a scannable advertisement (business card etc) or supply your website where I can download the information and graphics.

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It's hard to believe that its time to lay the boats up for the winter already. What a great boating season 2005 has been, with some of the best weather in recent memory, so many well attended events at the Club, and so many enjoyable weekends at the Club. By the time this Grapevine reaches you, the Club grounds will have been closed for the winter. I'd like to thank all of the committee chairs and members who have worked so hard to organize events and to maintain the Club. The Labor Day pig roast was a great success, as was the dingy poker run the following day. Steve and Karen Shireman had the best poker hand and received two MBIYC sweatshirts, compliments of the Ships Store. This has been a great season, with many members visiting the Club each weekend. Hope to see you all at the LandCruise in February.

Have a great fall!
Scott

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Thank you for your support!

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Name: _____

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The club closing date for this season is October 8, 2005, with October 15, 2005 as a weather date. The process has already started but any help those of you can extend will be appreciated. Gil Root is going to do his hobo stew for the lunch. Beverages will be provided. On September 23, 2005, I attended a meeting with the State of Ohio and the EPA. I was informed that they are having a meeting at the town hall on Middle Bass Island the 11th of October at 1 PM. The purpose of the gathering is to hear what people feel the impact will be on the ecology when the State Park and Marina project goes forward. The public is invited. You can write them with your opinion at: Ohio EPA – DSW, Attn: Permits Processing, PO Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049. Your letters have to be post marked on or before October 25, 2005. I want to give special thanks to the business' that supported our boat and motor raffle. Donations were made by:

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205 SE Catawba Road

5530 E. Harbor Road

Port Clinton, Ohio 43452

Marblehead, Ohio 43440

Again, I sincerely thank all who have helped with the events and general upkeep of our club this season. Bobbie and I will look forward to seeing all of you at the land cruise this winter.

Mike Stewart

Commodore



As of September our club membership now stands at 413.

It's hard to believe that another boating season is drawing to a close. Before the club closing on October 9, please check with Judy Hill, our dock master, to be sure that any work you have done is properly entered in her workbook. To get credit for your efforts your entries must include your name, membership number, description of the work and time spent doing it. Please write legibly; entries that cannot be read cannot be properly credited.

The end of the boating season means the annual membership dues campaign is just around the corner. Please remember that everyone that works on this very important aspect of maintaining the club volunteers their time. You can help these volunteers by reading your invoice carefully, making your check out for the proper amount, sending it to the correct address, and returning it on time. Dues payments must be postmarked **before January 1**. Payments postmarked later must include a \$20.00 late fee. Payments postmarked after January 15 will be returned and in that case the member must petition the Board for reinstatement. In extreme cases, the member will be required to pay the club initiation fee again, work fees due and the late fee in order to be reinstated. Reinstatement is always at the Board's discretion.

I hope everyone has an easy time laying the boats up for the winter (not a job we look forward to!). Have a safe and happy holiday season and winter. Don't forget to go to the Land Cruise – see you there!

James Franchello

Dollars & Sense

John Wierzchowski



By the time you read this the 2005 season will have come to an end at the Club. By all measures, this was a successful season. The weather held beautifully most of the time and all members and ILYA guests appeared to genuinely enjoy themselves on the island. Cindy and I aboard Mystic Flight spent about 25 nights in the islands, a record for us.

The Club winds up the summer season in excellent financial shape as reported at the Annual Meeting. A committee has been formed to provide the Board guidance with the development of Club facilities as the State moves toward construction of the new marina and park.

We now look forward toward the winter LandCruise. Paula and Rocky are putting together an exciting weekend and party at Mon Ami Winery. I urge all to try and attend at least the dinner and party Saturday night. A quick note on the MBIYC website (www.mbiyc.com): Please take the time to frequently check the site for new information pertaining to Club events and operations. I try to add new info as soon as it becomes available and last minute changes are always highlighted on the home page. This is your single best source of up-to-date information.

Cindy and I wish all a warm and quick winter and hope to see many of you at the LandCruise.

John

Now that Labor Day is over we want to THANK everyone for all the hard work of getting ready and cleaning up. We served approx. 220 people. We had alot of GREAT food and plenty to share with all. So thanks to everyone for bringing your side dishes.

Now for the Land Cruise as I stated at the meeting it will be February 10th & 11th at the Fairfield Inn for \$59.00 a night and Dinner will be at MonAmi . The times are not quit worked out but keep looking on the web site we will have updates as we get them. Also other events going on around the area will be posted on our web site as I get them.

Hope to see alot of you before the end of the season and if not at the closing of the club.

Safe Boating

Entertainment Chairpersons

Rocky & Paula Gross

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ILYA NEWS

Kay Soka I-LYA Delegate

2005 has been a good year for I-LYA. Membership now stands at 145 clubs and, for the first time in its 112-year history we had a major sponsor, West Marine. This sponsorship had a significant impact on the budget for I-LYA's preeminent event—the I-LYA Regattas. The Junior Regatta drew 175 kids from our member clubs to compete for the privilege of moving up to the Area Championships and then to the US Sailing finals. A number of I-LYA juniors were able to compete at these higher levels, thanks to the support of the organization. But even for those who did not win, the Jr. Regatta was an enjoyable and educational event. Can you imagine supervising 175 kids for a week at Put-in-Bay? The Powerboat Regatta was held at the end of July, immediately preceding the Sr. Sail Regatta. Events not only included social events, but also a variety of boating-related contests: docking, predicted log, navigation, inflatables, etc. If you want to attend this fun event next year, be sure to sign up early as there are limited docks available and they are always sold out. Senior Sail Regatta, the grand dame of the I-LYA regattas was held July 30-August 3. One of the kick-off events was the Commodore's Brunch held on the lawn of The Anchorage. It was an exquisite day to view the lake from this equally exquisite property, and Ron and I enjoyed introducing Comm. Mike Stewart and Bobbie to the many officers and friends we have met over the years of attending the regatta. The following three days were filled with sailing races and more social events. A good time was had by all. Now that Regatta 2005 is behind us, it is time to plan for 2006. The I-LYA Fall Meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn in Sandusky, OH on December 2-4, 2005. Like last year, MBIYC will be hosting a hospitality room on Friday evening. I hope that some—how about many—of you will come and enjoy this fun event. Friday evening is a very casual night of socializing with several clubs and organizations hosting hospitality suites. All members are welcome to join us, not only in our suite, but also in those of the other hosts.

Saturday, December 3, is reserved for various meetings related to the regattas and a banquet follows in the evening. This year's banquet will honor outgoing Commodore Heidi Riddle of the Vermillion Boat Club.

If you would like more information, please contact me at threadware@toast.net or (419) 472-7722. Special room rates are available if you wish to stay for the night.



Cedar Point Boat Trip

Ginney and Larry Ohler

We had 6 boats make the journey to Cedar Point with us this year but I do think a good time was had by all. We had snacks and drinks on Friday evening and played a trivia game about the island, the club and Cedar Point itself. Connie won a flashlight kit for her quick thinking. Saturday brought a little rain but also a pleasant breeze. We had a "find the object game" as an all day activity and also the scavenger hunt. The "find" game was won by Dawn Shireman and she was rewarded with a \$20 gift certificate to Wall-eyes. Sharon McCarthy and granddaughter Katie teamed up to win the hunt and Katie was surprised with a DVD player for her efforts. We finished the weekend off with coffee, donuts and juice before we all shoved off for another adventure. I guess I should also mention that some of us got quite wet while putting around in the dinghies. Same storm that dumped 5" of rain on N. Ridgeville and Elyria- how lucky are we?? see ya next time. Ginny and Larry Ohler

Huron Christmas in July Boat Trip

Steve and Karen Shireman

HEY, EVERYONE. THE CHRISTMAS IN JULY CRUISE WAS A GREAT SUCCESS, THE WEATHER WAS PERFECT AND THE MARINA WAS BEAUTIFUL. THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED. WE HAD 23 BOATS PRESENT, AND TWO COUPLES DROVE IN FOR THE DAY SATURDAY. SATURDAY EVENING WE WERE WELCOMED INTO THE DINING ROOM AT THE HURON YACHT CLUB FOR A WONDERFUL MEAL. THEY SEATED AND SERVED OVER 60 OF OUR MEMBERS. SATURDAY EVENING WE ALL ENJOYED THE MUSIC OF "RUMORS" A FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE BAND. SUNDAY MORNING BROUGHT OUR CRUISE TO A CLOSE WITH THE AWARD OF PRIZES FOR THE BEST DECORATED BOATS. OUR FIRST PLACE WINNER, BARB AND LARRY ULAND, RECEIVED A DECK CHAIR DONATED BY BOAT US IN PORT CLINTON. THE SECOND PLACE PRIZE WENT TO PATTY AND GIL ROOT, 2 FREE NIGHTS AT THE MBIYC. THANKS AGAIN TO EVERYONE FOR HELPING TO MAKE OUR CRUISE THE GREAT SUCCESS IT WAS. HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT THE CLUB. STEVE AND KAREN SHIREMAN

P.S. HOPE EVERYONE FOUND THEIR CANDY CANES. SANTA WORKED VERY HARD TO DELIVER ALL OF THEM AFTER EVERYONE WAS IN BED!

Katrina Relief Fund Offering

Pastor Karl Steuk

At the Labor Day picnic a Katrina Relief Fund offering was taken at the Yacht Club and this is the fantastic result combined with The Church of Middle Bass. A big thank you to all who gave to the Katrina Relief Fund. A special thanks to Charlie and Sharon McCarthy for winning the dinghy and giving it to The Church of Middle Bass to offer it to the highest bidder and all the money went to the Katrina relief fund. The highest bidder was Bill Carpenter and the deal closed at 12 noon Sunday Labor day weekend. Katrina Relief Fund offering was taken at the Yacht Club and this is the fantastic result combined with The Church of Middle Bass. The Yacht Club members gave \$624 as the hat was passed, another \$1000 from the Club treasury, and the \$2000 from the dinghy bid, totaling \$3624. The monies were given to The Church of Middle Bass to send to the relief along with the Church offering on Sunday morning. The grand total of \$6292 was sent by The Church of Middle Bass through Salvation Army and the Red Cross to the Katrina Relief Fund. This is a major gift to the people in the disaster area from the Yacht Club and the Island Church. A BIG God Bless You to everyone for your prayers and giving.

Pastor Karl Steuk

LandCruise 2006
LandCruise 2006

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RESTAURANT & HISTORIC WINERY

February 10-12, 2006

Dinner—Saturday February 11, 2006

Name		MBIYC Membership No.
Address		
City	State	Zip
Daytime Phone	Other Phone	Email Address
Yes, I am willing to help with:		

No. of Dinners	Entrée Choice	Price Each	Dinner Total
	Seafood Buffet	30.00	
	Special (Please Specify Needs)	TBD	
TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED			\$

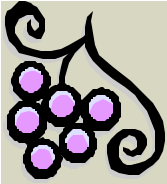
Please send your check BY JANUARY 15, 2006, PAYABLE to MBIYC, to:

Paula & Rocky Gross
2613 Woodland Ave, Columbus OH 43211
(614) 476-6306

YES! I will be staying at the Fairfield Inn.

For room reservations—call the Fairfield Inn directly at 419-732-2434 and tell them you are with MBIYC. They will find our block of rooms under MBIYC not MBIYC.

Rooms are available for a special \$59.00/night (\$89 for Jacuzzi room, 4 available) rate at the Fairfield Inn, 3760 East State Rd, Port Clinton, OH 43452. The Inn will provide free shuttle service to and from the LandCruise.



The Grapevine

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MBIYC Calendar of Events

October 8, 2005 Club Closing

December 2-4, 2005 I-LYA Fall Meeting

February 10&11 Land Cruise (MonAmi)