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Harbor Hospice Regatta August 6th

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Harbor Hospice Regatta far exceeds fundraising goal

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Regatta.....Bud Ainsworth
Social.....Rome Palmer & Scott Miller

MYC STAFF

General Manager.....Kim Nguyen
Chef.....Adam White
Business Manager.....Sue Peters
Facilities Manager.....Nicky Anderson

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Deadline for content
submission is the 20th of each
month.

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COMMODORE'S COMMENTS:

The times are a changing and MYC is changing with the times. A few weeks back I served on a protest committee. Several people inquired to me as to how in the world could someone file a protest over a Wednesday night beer can race? The reality is that MYC's serious racing is now done on Wednesday nights. We are searching for ways to improve attendance for the weekend racing, but as we do this we will also explore ways to improve racing on Wednesday nights. Part of the process is understanding why Wednesday night became so popular and making it better. That should help us understand on how to make weekend racing better as well.

In addition to the changes on the water MYC is adapting to the changing times via an amendment to the bylaws. At the September board meeting three primary changes to the bylaws will be submitted to the board for approval. If the board approves these changes, then the bylaw changes will be submitted to the regular members for a vote. The proposed changes focus on three primary areas: A change in the membership structure that will do away with boat ownership as an element as relates to membership level. A change to allow for electronic notice to the membership and lastly, a clarification of how we amend the bylaws in the future. Each of the modifications focuses on helping MYC adapt to these changing times.

Lastly: Did you know you can receive your monthly statement via email? Please consider this option as it is a significant money saver for MYC. If you'd like to receive your monthly statement via email, please email Sue Peters at sue@muskegonyachtclub.org

Thank You
Sam Nedeau
Commodore

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

On behalf of the Membership Committee, we are happy to announce the following additions to the MYC Family:

Michael Huff	Regular Member	Muskegon
Kelly Killen & Jeff Ross	Regular Members	Kalamazoo
Ron & Mary VanThiel	Regular Members	Belmont

MYC Committee Meeting Reminders:

Dock & Yard Committee – 2nd Saturdays at 9:00 am
 House Committee – 2nd Saturdays at 10:00 am
 Membership Committee – 2nd Saturdays at 11:00am
 Social Committee – as needed
 Board Meeting – 3rd Thursdays at 7:00pm

2016 Capital Improvement Fund Update

**2016 Collected
To Date:
\$ 31,620
+
12/31/15 Balance:
\$19,917**



2016 Expenditures:
 \$8,404-Dining Rm A/C
 \$16,000-Make-up Air
 \$300-Pool Fence
 (partial)
**Available Balance =
\$26,833**



Juniors Committee Report:

MYC JUNIOR RACE TEAM PLACES 4TH AT WHITE LAKE REGATTA!

On July 8, the MYC Junior Race Team traveled to White Lake for the second WMYSA regatta of 2016. MYC placed 4th overall as a team out of 8 clubs that brought 92 boats to this regatta.



In addition to being the 4th place team overall, MYC sailors Torben Johnson, Josh Corder and Sam Adams were the top scoring team in the Laser Full Rig fleet!





Individual scores at the White Lake WMYSA Regatta were:

- Optimist Green: Ben Morris 9th
- Butterfly: Frank Frisinger 8th
- Butterfly: Will Bakran 13th
- Butterfly: Corrine Nedeau 16th
- Butterfly: Anneka Lindsay 20th
- Butterfly: Reyna Johnson 24th
- Butterfly: Dylan Young & James Spencer 25th
- Butterfly: Gage Stasko 28th
- Laser Radial: Sarah Corder 7th
- Laser Radial: Chance Spencer 11th
- Laser Full: Torben Johnson 1st
- Laser Full: Joshua Corder 2nd
- Laser Full: Sam Adams 5th

MYC SAILORS COMPETE AT 2016 BUTTERFLY NATIONALS

On July 12-14, the Butterfly Nationals took place at White Lake Yacht Club. Two MYC sailors attended this event where abundant breezes and challenging conditions prevailed on most days. Will Bakran placed 8th and Frank Frisinger placed 9th in a very competitive fleet of 37 boats.

CLICK THIS LINK TO FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK!

<https://www.facebook.com/Muskegon-Junior-Sailing-Program-134232283314396/>

PLEASE DONATE TO SUPPORT JUNIOR SAILING AT MYC

Click on the link below to instantly donate to the Muskegon Junior Sailing Association. You'll automatically receive a receipt for your tax-deductible donation and your donation will go directly to the MJSA bank account!

<http://www.gofundme.com/MJSAailing>



Jam Sessions



1st & 3rd Sundays
Beginning - 9/18/16
3:00 P.m.

Play an instrument

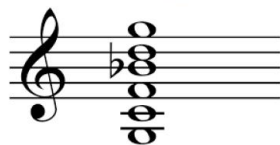
Or

Just want to listen

Just

SHOW UP

Info Contact: Tom Udell





Social Committee Report:

- Starting in September on the 1st and 3rd Sunday afternoons we will be hosting some “Jam Sessions” starting at 3:00 PM!
 - Looking for a couple of volunteers to help with planning and executing this year’s Fishing Derby on 9/25/16. Please call Kim if you can help. Want to sponsor a kids’ prize?
 - Save the Date: Annual Halloween Party on 10/29/16 with live music from the Swinging Stem Cells. Open to the public!!
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Photo Gallery - Clipper Cup Race – August 12th

Photos: Barbara Holt









MYC Paperless Statements

Did you know you can receive your monthly statement by email?

- Eco-Friendly
- Less Clutter
- Saves time & money

Send an email to the business office to sign-up for this convenient service!

sue@muskegonyachtclub.org



News from the General Manager:

As I write this, I wonder, where did the time go? From the beginning of the season to the end, we once again made memories that will last a lifetime. However, the summer will soon be over, kids will go back to school, fall sports will begin, the leaves will change colors and the boats will come out of the water....regardless if we want it to or not. Thank you to all who helped make the summer of 2016 a successful and memorable one at the MYC.

September outlook: Annual Governor's Cup Regatta sponsored by Tyler Sales and Pigeon Hill on 9/3. The MYC will be open on Labor Day from 12-8 pm, UK Fall Series on 9/17 & 9/18, and the 3rd Annual MYC Fishing Derby on 9/25!

MYC Fall hours begin on Tuesday, September 13th and are as follows:

Monday:	Closed
Tuesday:	4pm – 10pm (kitchen closed at 9)
Wednesday:	4pm – 11pm (kitchen closed at 9)
Thursday:	4pm – 10pm (kitchen closed at 9)
Fri & Sat:	12pm – 12am (kitchen closed at 9)
Sunday:	12pm – 9pm (kitchen closed at 8)

Please make sure to have your email address added to the MYC Newsflash list if you haven't done so yet. This is the best way to stay up-to-date on all MYC activities & notices.

Thank you to the MYC summer staff who has worked very hard this season. Your contribution to the success of the MYC summer was noticed and very much appreciated. You will all be missed & good luck at school!

As summer comes to an end, so does the reality that many outdoor activities will as well. However, we are in the process of prepping for a fun fall/winter for our members. The MYC Wine Dinners will debut in November, Euchre Night will continue throughout the year, Life Member luncheon at the end of October along with our Past Commodores Dinner. Let's not forget our annual Awards Banquet and holiday parties, soup cook off, and more! In hopes to make the fall and winter go by as fast as the summer did, we plan to keep you busy with plenty of things to do!

Friendly reminder, absolutely no outside (self-prepared or ordered) food is allowed in the club at any time except for designated days approved by the house committee. Please see me with any questions. Also, all dogs must be on a leash while on MYC property. Thank you for understanding!

Remember to visit our MYC apparel case for all the latest and greatest MYC gear. Long sleeve MYC shirts are now available along with MYC sweatshirts! Please see the bartender on duty for assistance.

It's not too early to book your holiday party in the Lakeview Room. This room fills up fast, so don't wait....book today. Please see me for more information and pricing.

Wishing each of you a fun fall season!

Kim Nguyen
231-755-1414
myc.kimn@gmail.com





**NOTICE OF MYC 3rd
ANNUAL FISHING DERBY**
Sunday, 9/25

**Children – Open to all
children under the age of 14**

\$5.00 Registration
Fishing starts at 9 am – 12:00 pm

PRIZES: biggest fish, most fish and ugliest fish
Children Derby Area: MYC DOCKS !

Adult Ages 14 and Up

FISHING LICENSE REQUIRED
\$5.00 Registration
Fishing starts at 7 am – 11:00 am

PRIZES: biggest fish & most fish lbs

Adults Derby Area: Muskegon Lake & Lake MI

***HOT CHOCOLATE, BLOODY MARYS, AND
DONUTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT 8:30 AM!***

AWARDS CEREMONY TO TAKE PLACE AT 1:00 PM
UNDER THE MYC PATIO!

Harbor Hospice Regatta far exceeds fundraising goal

(Credit Muskegon Chronicle/Mlive Media Group – reprinted with permission)

By Malachi Barrett

MUSKEGON, MI — Like a sailboat with the wind behind its sails, the Harbor Hospice Regatta blew by its fundraising goal this year.

For the ninth year, the regatta raced to raise funds for hospice care in Muskegon County. Ammy Johnson, Harbor Hospice Director of Development, estimated the event raised \$70,000, shattering this year's goal of \$50,000.

"It was a perfect weather, the wind was at 9 to 12 knots," she said. "The Muskegon Yacht Club was the perfect host. The whole weekend was a solid fundraiser. We're also really grateful to community for their participation, we couldn't have done this without them."

Harbor Hospice is a member of the National Hospice Regatta Alliance, a nonprofit association which independently raises money and awareness for local hospices. The race has raised \$200,000 in the past nine years for local care and the National Regatta Alliance raised more than \$21 million to support services across the country.

In addition to funds raised from live auctions and a gala on Friday, boats were sponsored in memory of Judy Miller. Miller was an integral part of Harbor Hospice establishing the regatta, but after the first year of the event, Judy's health declined.

Following her death and to honor her memory, the committee asked her son Scott to endorse and establish the Judy Miller Memorial Challenge. He did and now boaters of all vessels raise money and awareness in support for Harbor Hospice programs and services. Bobby Cox won the challenge for the third year in a row, raising \$4,505 of the total \$5,000.

Jim and Becca Beebe, who won the regatta for the second year in a row, earned the opportunity to race in the National Hospice Regatta in 2017. A Junior Yacht Club regatta was won by White Lake Yacht Club Braden Johnson in the butterfly fleet. The laser fleet was won by Josh Corder from the Muskegon Yacht Club.

"The Harbor Hospice Regatta is a wonderful, fun-filled event for families to enjoy," Johnson said. "The proceeds from this event help to ensure that all Harbor Hospice patients facing a life-limiting illness have access to expert care as well as support for their families regardless of their ability to pay."



MUSKEGON YACHT CLUB

HAUL OUT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2016

7:00 am BREAKFAST

**LUNCH BUFFET & OPEN MENU TO FOLLOW HAUL OUT
ACTIVITIES! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP
"BUTTON UP" FOR THE UPCOMING WINTER (AWNING,
PICNIC TABLES, POOL FURNITURE, ROCKING CHAIRS)
PLEASE SEE KIM OR NICKY FOR FURTHER DETAILS!**

AMERICA'S CUP 2017 IN BERMUDA

Hotels range from small boutique properties with 60 rooms to large resort style hotels that have over 500 rooms! You can review all the hotels participating in the spectator packages here -> www.americascuptravel.com. There are various Spectator Packages that fall over the Qualifiers, Challenger, and America's Cup Finals Match in June 2017.

No matter your length of stay, your package will ALWAYS include hotel accommodation, on-water spectator tickets to get out on the water to watch the racing up close, airport transfers from the airport in Bermuda to your hotel and back, as well as official America's Cup merchandise. The only things not included are your flights and meals, but some properties do include breakfast with the spectator package which is highlighted on the AC35 Package rate card.

Payment is required at the time of booking and bookings are non-refundable, but are transferrable.

If you are interested in going in a large MYC group, please let Kim know. Once a final head count is tallied, we can contact Travel Places to start the reservation process. Please contact Kim no later than 10/1/16 if you are interested.

WINTER STORAGE



*Please see the Dock and Yard
Committee or refer to the "red
book" for additional details!*

**(Must Provide Your Own Cradle.
Additional Haul Out Fees Apply)**

MYC - LAKEVIEW ROOM



**BIRTHDAY PARTIES, BUSINESS MEETINGS,
BABY/BRIDAL SHOWERS, DINNER PARTIES, HOLIDAY
PARTIES AND MORE!**

**THE HOLIDAY CALENDAR WILL FILL UP FAST, SO
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DETAILS!**

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~ MYC September 2016 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Governor's Cup Regatta
4 Labor Day Club Open 12-8	5	6 Euchre Night	7 Race Night	8	9	10 Comm Mtgs
11 MYC Pool Closes for the season	12	13 Fall Hours Begin Euchre Night	14 Race Night	15 Board Meeting 7pm	16	17 UK Cup
18 UK Cup Jam Session 3pm	19	20 Euchre Night	21 Race Night	22	23	24
25	26	27 Euchre Night	28 Race Night	29	30	

**If you have events or meetings you'd like added to the Portwatch
or website calendars, please contact Sue Peters sue@muskegonyachtclub.org**