

Rendezvous By the Bay

Mariposa Hunters Point Yacht Club

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APRIL 2017 PICYA

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All reservations taken by the Port Captain or the Assistant P.C. will be recorded in the log book by the P.C. or Assistant P.C. NO EXCEPTIONS.

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ricks Dav celebration at the Club wonderful and the weather

was absolutely amazing warm and sunny after months of rain. Members rocked to the Band Aftermath and enjoyed a traditional meal of corned beef and cabbage with all the fixings. Chef Andres Chaves and *Rear Commodore* Kenny Hallgren prepared this tasty meal with the help of a squadron of Galley Helpers who helped to assure that the event proceeded with smooth sailing. >>We are still looking for Volunteers to Cook simple comfort foods on every 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. Remember: all proceeds go towards funding this year's club improvements. The Club will provide a budg- world. Many thanks to et of \$250 to any chef who steps up to take the ladle for this worthy cause. >>The Club will be in-

The St. Pat- stalling a muchneeded NEW Security System inside and outside the Club with *remote viewing* access. We are also putting in a **NEW Ice** *Machine,* because the Old one finally gave out!

> >>With the start of Giants Baseball Season parking will become more challenging, but please always keep in mind never to park on the Ramp when attending Giants Games! Repercussions could be draconian (worst case scenario: your car could be towed).

>>We swore in three new members at our March General Meeting and introduced several prospective new members. RC Ken Peterson Weather ! sponsored his Charity. The Peanut Butter Pro- I Love This Club! *ject,* which helps to save the lives of starving ham children around the Ken's cooks, Nancy **DelSarto**, Chris Maples and their Crew for the succulent chicken meal they served up.

>>The men's bathroom remodel will start April 11th. We will be down to a single commode during the remodel. I've been asked to remind the gents to be mindful that they are going to be using the women's facilities during the remodel. >>Member of the Month for March is our Junior Sailing program's own PC Bridgette Carroll

who has helped bring this joint venture -- along with the Bayview Boat Club – to unprecedented popularity. And because she is hopeful that everyone learns to sail, she has gone on to establish a Women's Sailing Program. Great Job Bridgette! >>Come on down to the Club enjoy the Great

Commodore Chris Abra-



VICE-COMMODORE BRUCE'S REPORT

REAR COMMODORE KEN'S REPORT

By Bruce Feldhammer



APRIL 2017



>>We experienced a verv busy month of March. We rented out our space for lots of private ing Wheat Beer.

parties and we had a spectacular St. Paddy's day bash.

>>April is shaping to be another busy time with the Giants returning to AT&T Park (April 10th) and the always exciting Opening Day On The Bay (April 23rd). So get ready: more fun times ahead!

>>I am working on introducing a new

wine each month, so please don't hesitate to ask the bartender of the day if he/she has anything new to taste. And with the advent of warmer weather, we will once again be offer-

>>I would also like to point to a couple of fellow members out who assist me endlessly. First is Peter Elzer who keeps track of the wine, beer and soda supplies. Without this guy, my job would be *much* more difficult. My next My best to the Membership, thank you goes to Kenny Hallgren who keeps tabs on the private parties and on club events. Kenny is always

available to volunteer and to help me out in any capacity. I owe additional thanks to Chris Abraham, Danny Ahearn, Margarita Torres and Patrick Maples.

>>Last thing: our 2017 Membership Cards are in and they are kept behind the bar. When you order your next drink don't forget to ask the bartender for your card.

Bruce Feldhammer Vice Commodore





By Ken Hallgren

Spring is here! The Giants Opening Day Baseball game is on Mondav April 10th, and the Club will be open for anyone going to the game or members

and their friends who just want to drop by and enjoy our Cub. We will be serving game day lunch. Check your emails for menu details. The Club will open at 10:00 am that day.

>>Also scheduled for April is the yearly Opening Day on the Bay, April 23rd. Chef Andres Chaves I will be cooking lunch for all our members and their quests. Music will be performed by member Bill Craddocks Band (The Lost Weekends) starting around 2:00 pm and ending around 6:00 pm. Again, check your emails for the exact time and menu as we get closer to the event. >>All our events and parties require lots of work. We are always seeking

Volunteers to help out. If you want to volunteer, you can email me at khallgren24@msm.com.

>>And finally: remember, in order to reserve a date to rent the Club you must fill out an application and attach the rental check and the deposit check for the MEMBER"S checking account only.

Cheers, Ken Hallgren Rear Commodore.

PORT CAPTAIN DANNY'S REPORT

by Danny Ahern



Our big Work Day is coming right up! Mark your calendars to come to the Club on April 22nd, I'll be there at 7 am

with coffee and pastries for the early birds. We need everyone's help to get the Club into top ship shape for Opening Day on the Bay on April 23rd. Watch for the emails giving more details.

>>Thanks to my Asst. Port Captain

John Mikulin and to Mike Paine for helping to install the New Ice Machine. Rear Commodore Kenny Halgren used his experience to shop for this machine – he knows his bar business! A special thanks needs to go out to First Lady Marissa Abrahams for driving to Hayward to pick it up on an early Friday morning. This whole thing turned out to guite the venture -- we had to cut the old one in half with a sawsall just to get it out! >>We are looking for member assistance to help keep the MPHYC's Emergency Water Response Time

down to five minutes. It has been there in the past and we need to get it there again.

>>I want to send out a reminder to members to please ask the proper Flag officer before you take it upon yourself to do take on a project. We need everyone's help to keep our club running, but we need to have a coordinated effort.

>>Remember, IF YOU ARE GOOD TO YOUR CLUB YOUR CLUB WILL BE GOOD TO YOU"!

Your Port Captain., Danny Ahern

TREASURER CARY'S REPORT



Greetings! >>So far in 2017, our receipts compare favorably to 2016. We're a few dollars up in bar sales

and "use of the Club". We're a very few dollars down in Ship's Store. There have been no significant expenditures. Our operating expenses at the end of February were \$61,210 as compared to \$66,879 last year. For a more comprehensive report you may contact me at : cronan@langan.com

REPORT FROM REGGIE, CLUB SECRETARY



Hello, Wonderful Members!



>>The rain is finally going away and it looks like a bang-up **Spring** and **Summer** ahead at the Club. At our last general meeting we had a great turnout with a packed Club full of members

happy for the chance to catch up on the latest club news and to shoot the

breeze with each other. Everyone had a great time except for Member Mike Knittell who didn't make it and missed hearing his name being pulled from the bilge barrel. So be sure to attend the next meeting – you don't want to miss **your name** being called to collect your bounty!

>>We welcomed three new members, Jacky and Michael Recchuiti and Sayda Sanchez, along with a new group of prospective members. We love getting new people in our Club. They infuse the Club with fresh energy and innovative ideas.

>>And now hear ye all sea going swabs, your **2017** *Membership Cards* are now ready for pick up. Come on down, salute the Officer of the Day, and ask for your card from the bartender.

See you soon everybody, Rudyard Vance, MHPYC Secretary

CRUZIN' WITH FLEET CAPTAIN, PATRICK





Ahoy All! >>Spring has sprung at MHPYC! The days are getting longer, the

weather is getting better, and **Open**ing Day for the Giants is right around the corner! The sign-up sheets for watching the games with your fellow members are posted on the bulletin board at the club, so if you haven't done so already, come down to the Club to sign up early and reserve your seats. *Kentucky Derby Day*, May 6th 2017, at Golden Gate Fields. This year our seats are right on the start/finish line! We only have 40 tickets, so come down and sign up – the tickets are going fast! I have posted a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board as well. >> *Opening Day on the Bay* is coming up on Sunday April 23. Our Port Captain, *Danny Ahern*, could use everyone's help in getting the club ready to go. His "Work Day" is April 22nd. I plan to be there, so come on down and lend a hand. >>Our *Youth and Women's* sailing

programs are going strong, The women had an outstanding day on the water on March 25th. I have recently started the "MHPYC PROP SHOP", RC Boating Club, we are three members strong so far! So, if you are interested in RC Boating, let me know and I can get you all the info you need, the boats are electric, fast and fun! See you at the Club!

Patrick Maples



>>We have secured tickets for the

MYSTERY BURGEE OF THE MONTH!



Mystery burgees seem to be turning up with alarming regular-

ity. This one is a beauty! Does anyone know the origin of this specimen? Members, please — if you have the good fortune to visit another club and bring us a burgee, please pin a note on it with your name and the name of the club where you were lucky enough to make the score! We want to acknowledge our friends.

Your faithful Burgee Meister, Paul Schlotfeldt



PICYA REPORT

APRIL 2017



The **MHPYC** is proud to be a long-time member of **The Pacific Inter-Club Yacht Association** which was formed in San Francisco over a 130 years ago in 1896. The PICYA operates as a facilitator for communications amongst all the Bay Area clubs; it helps to keep racing rules uniform, and encourages safe procedures for optimal yachting on our beautiful Bay. tion, you will note that in 2913, the **MPYYC was a five gold star member** of the **PICYA**. Currently we have no delegate who attends the **PICYA** meetings. The meetings are on the first Monday of each month with different yacht clubs in the Bar Area hosting.

If you are interested in being a delegate for our Club, please contact **PC Bridgette Carroll.** Email her at **(B4bridgette@gmail.com)** and she can tell you more about this great opportunity to repre-

sent the **MHPYC** in an important Bay Area institution.



If you look at the masthead of this publica-

WHAT'S GOING ON INSIDE THE SHIP'S STORE by Martha Bella.

Ships Store Crew: Reggie Vance and Gail Dedreon





Ahoy, Everybody!

> >>With the weather warming up and the Giants Season opening up the

Ships Store has plenty of **T-shirts** for

sale in all colors, including "Giant's orange"! Some of the ladies t-shirts are v-necks. If you cannot find the size or color you want, we will order them for you!

>>Nights are still a little cool, especially at the ballpark. To keep you warm, we are featuring these **beautiful vests**. They zip up the front, so you

don't mess up your hair, and you can get them with or without a hood!



>>Remember: we have a catalog stuffed with fun and useful items, so stop on by during our new extended hours!

Cheers, Martha Bella

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!



>>I thought it was just coincidence when I was introduced to new members from Dogpatch, Jacky and Michael Recchiuti. Same name as the people who make those incredible choc-

olates that I see in boutique food markets? Not coincidence. Sponsor, *Ken Jones* brought us purveyors of some of the finest chocolate that I have ever tasted. They don't, however, limit themselves to simply turning out chocolatey confections.

>>They totally rock the kitchen, already proving their mettle with a Paella feed they served up to our member-

ship during their probation. In fact, they can't keep seem themselves out of the kitchen because that's where they were the night they were sworn in

– assisting chefs **Nancy DeSarto** and **Chris Maples** with the delectable feast they served up that night. Apparently, they don't spend all their time in the kitchen though, because they both list whittling among their hobbies, along with drumming (Michael) and making

pottery (Jacky). They fancy our Club because it is right in their backyard – in the San Francisco neighborhood they love most!

Sponsor, *Gary Wood* brought us new member, and fashion designer *Sayda Sanchez*, from North Beach. When she's not working at her nonprofit foundation, she sailing and although she doesn't own a boat right now, it's very high on her wish list. She too, likes to spend time in the kitchen and spent her probationary hours helping our cooks and cleaning up for them. As anybody who has cooked a meal for the Club can attest: helpers make it happen! Sayda's love for sailing is what brought her here, but the warmth from

the warmth from the Membership is what is keeping her here.

Welcome **Sayda**, **Jacky** and **Michael** We are very happy that you have joined our crew!



A SUNNY ST. PADDY'S DAY AT THE MHPCY!



































2017 TIPS FOR CHARITY SCHEDULE

At our General Meetings in February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December our bartenders dedicate their tips to Charity. The sponsor of the Charity cooks dinner for the members. The dinner is free to members but you are encouraged to donate as well. (The club reimburses some of the costs of the dinner up to \$400.00.) Guests must pay \$10.00 for the dinner. <u>ALL money received MUST be given to the Club Treasurer so a Club check can be issued to the Charity.</u>

<u>Month</u>	Sponsor	Non-Profit Organization
April 8	Bridgette Carroll	YOUTH SAILING
May 13	Patrick Maples	SEA SCOUTS
June 10	Cary Ronan	LIFE LEARNING ACADEMY
July 8	Walter Knoepfel	YOUTH HOSTEL
August 12	Bruce Feldhammer	AMERICAN RED CROSS
September 9	Gail Dekreon	SOROPTIMIST INT. OF SAN FRANCISCO
October 14	Barbara Paul-Elzer	MUTTVILLE
November 11	Club event	VETERANS
December 9	Club event	SUNSET YOUTH SERVICES & TOYS FOR TOTS; SENIOR LUNCH

A WINNER AT BURGEE MUSICAL CHAIRS



>>We love when our members visit another spot on this planet and bring back a little piece of something that can connect us to a distant part of the world.

>David Hecht scored this burgee by a rather circuitous route: he took one of our burgees with him when he visited Key West, Florida. There he saw an extremely rare showing of yacht club inhospitality when he offered an MHPYC burgee in trade for one of theirs and was refused! >>As luck would have it, however, while mulling the situation over a drink at their bar, he made the acquaintance of another traveler who was visiting from the Colorado Sailing and Yacht Club (where he sails on the reservoirs

of Colorado). This tourist had met with the same lack of cordiality. He too, was faced with returning to his club on an unsuccessful mission. After a drink (or two) they were able to come up with a simple solution: trade burgees with each other! So that's how David came home with a burgee from Colorado while on a trip to Key West Florida. The MHPYC is proud to add the Colorado burgee to our everexpanding collection.

>>Don't let David's experience deter you. Most yacht clubs are more than happy to trade for one of our soughtafter burgees! So next time you head out of town, take one with you. Yacht clubs can be in the most unlikely places!

MHPYC GOES TO THE GIANTS GAMES!!!!



With the help of EXPERT FAN Chris Maples our Fleet Captain, Patrick Maples purchased 5 blocks of 25 tickets for the Giants 2017 Season. All of the games are on either Saturday or Sunday and start at 1:05 pm, except for the August game which starts at 6:05 pm (and for which we have two blocks of 25 tickets). Your ticket price includes a "tailgate" party at the Club before the game with plenty of BBQ food. More details to come!

May 13, 2017 Sat.	\$44	Ş	Giants vs Cincinnati Reds	REDS	1:05 pm
Jun. 25, 2017 Sun.	\$45	Ş.	Giants vs New York Mets		1:05 pm
Aug. 19, 2017 Sat.	\$75/\$67	Ş.	Giants vs Philadelphia Phillies		6:05 pm
Sep. 17, 2017 Sun.	\$44	Ş	Giants vs Arizona Diamondbacks	Ø	1:05 pm
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FROM THE EDITOR'S WHEELHOUSE



Ahoy Mates: >>First, I'd like to thank the Membership for all the received on last month's Newslet-

ter. It was my first sail-out with this

assignment and your "thank-yous" were greatly appreciated. >>Next (and I really mean "FIRST"), I want to thank my Assistant Editor. positive feedback | Gail Dekreon. | couldn't have done it without her. And that's the truth! >>Again, because I cannot be in all places at all times, I welcome Members' participation and feedback. If you have a story or a photo that you would like to share with our membership, please feel free to communicate with me. If I have room to print it, I would love to include your scoop. I can be contacted at: vchabre@comcast.net.

A THANK YOU FROM 2016 MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Hi All,

>>I want to give my heartfelt thanks to Commodore Chris Abraham for naming me 2016 Member of the Year. What an honor! It must have been difficult to choose, because our Club has so many members who give so much of their valuable time to keep the MHPYC running smoothly. Being the Club Treasurer last year helped me to learn a great

deal about the operation of our Club and I was able to work with a wonderful group of people who were always there to help me. I give my personal thanks to Chris Abraham. Bruce Feldhammer, Danny Ahern, Cary Ronan, Reggie Vance, David Fong and Walter Knoepfel. These members gave me much needed support as I struggled with the obscurities of inventories, budgets, tax

deadlines and computer mysteries. >>This year, it gives me great pleasure to continue to serve the membership with my duties on the Board and behind the Bar. Bottoms up!

Cheers to all! Margarita



MHPYC CALENDAR MARCH / APRIL 2017

CRM = Club Reserved by Member

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						April 1
April 2	April 3	April 4	April 5 <u>6:30 MHYPC</u> Board Meeting	April 6	April 7	April 8 <u>6:30</u> General Meeting—Tips for Charity: Youth Sailing
April 9	April 10 Giant's Opening Day — Club open at 10 am. Lunch will be served	April 11	April 12	April 13	April 14	April 15
April 16	April 17	April 18	April 19	April 20	April 21	April 22 Work Day!
April 23 Opening Day on the Bay!	April 24	April 25	April 26	April 17	April 28	April 29
April 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5	May 6 Kentucky Derby Day!
May 7	May 8	May 9	May 10 <u>6:30 MHYPC</u> Board Meeting	May 11	May 12	May 13 <u>1:05</u> Giants v. Cincinnati <u>6:30</u> General Meeting—Tips for Charity: <u>Sea</u> <u>Scouts</u>
May 14	May 15	May 16	May 17	May 18	May 19	May 20
May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25	May 26	May 27
May 28	May 29	May 20	May 31	June 1	June 2	June 3

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SPRING YOUTH SAILING PROGRAM 2017

CLASS SCHEDULE

April 9	Noon to 4:00 pm
April 23	Noon to 4:00 pm
April 30	Noon to 4:00 pm
May 7	Noon to 4:00 pm

The Youth Sailing Program was hit hard in February. Sadly we had two of our safety sail boats, and two engines, stolen from the Bay View Boat Club. The Mariposa's ON-LY safety/training boat was stolen but it was recovered with the help of Patrick Maples and Steve O'Brien the next day. Thanks guys! Unfortunately, damage to the boat was excessive and it was not deemed worth repairing. These Safety boats carry a Red Cross Certified Safety Captain and a sailing instructor, both of whom are vital to our program. As a result of this misfortune, we are now seeking donations for a new boat and a motor. If you have a lead, please let me know (<u>b4bridgette@gmail.com</u>). If you don't have a lead but want to support the program, your donations are appreciated from all the volunteers and students who love learning to sail in our beautiful bay. Anything - and everything - helps!

Mariposa Hunters Point Yacht Club And Bay View Boat Club Announce the Spring 2017 Youth Sailing Classes 5 Classes for \$100.00 <u>Or</u> \$25.00 per class Who: Girls & boys aged 8 to 15 years Where: MHPYC dock at 405 Terry Francois Blvd. (between MHPYC and BVBC) Noon to 4:00 pm Time: **Requirements:** Application and Parent permission paperwork Swimming proficiency test Both can be handled at the first class Contact Person for RSVP, application packets, what

Contact Person for RSVP, application packets, what to bring and/or other questions:

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