

# BREEZE



## CHAGRIN LAGOONS YACHT CLUB

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### Commodore - Jeff Zika

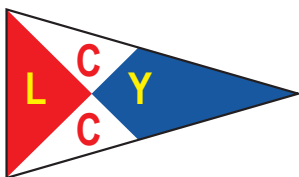
Fellow members of CLYC:  
Thank you to everyone who came out and supported this year's Commodore's Ball. It was a great turnout and a great way to kick off the season ahead. We honored individuals, shared some tears of gratitude, shook our tailfeathers, and celebrated the

Skipperettes for 75 years of service to our membership and the Club. And now...we're going to lean into Regatta planning. This July 4th weekend, we'll celebrate 85 years of CLYC & 250 years of America with Tradition, Community, and Freedom.

As you are eagerly aware, boating season is just around the corner. Please watch for updates from our officers that are playing key roles in the launch of boating season and our operations: the Vice Commodore for clubhouse, bar, pavilion, and as your liaison to the Board of Trustees for food operations; the Rear Commodore for all grounds, club cleanup, travel lift operations, and related preparations or maintenance; and of course the Fleet Captain, who will make it official when the waters are open. **FYI - if you've read this, please email or text me to let me know. We're wondering if this is worth the time and effort to write.**

Looking forward to seeing the club come back to life.

Jeff Zika  
2026 Commodore



### Vice Commodore - John Seifarth

Hello Members,  
As usual, Spring is having a hard time getting started.

The Entrance Lobby has had repairs and has been painted, Looking Good!

By the time this Breeze is posted the Office renovations should be pretty much completed and Sheila's She Shed should be removed.

Thank you,  
John Seifarth  
Vice Commodore CLYC

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### Rear Commodore - Joe Criniti

Greetings CLYC,

April 15th is the official start of our boating season! The water should be turned on by then. Please remember that all "reserved/assigned" parking spaces goes back into effect too.

We are just a couple of weeks away from our spring cleanup and I am looking forward to seeing you all there. Don't forget, we will have donuts in the morning and our Skipperettes have something planned for lunch. We're going to start at 9am and hopefully be out of there by noon. I'm looking forward to the 2026 season. Hope all of you are as well.

Joe Criniti  
Rear Commodore



## Skipper - Jacqi Brezina

HAPPY SPRING!!  
Yes spring has finally sprung!

Commodores' Ball weekend was a great time...everyone enjoyed it ALL! Congratulations again to the 2026 bridge. Thank You to Commodore Jeff and First Lady Maureen on pulling off this super event. Commodore Jeff presented a

proclamation to the CLYC Skipperettes honoring 75 years as a club institution. Thank you Commodore and the Board.

Things will start happening very soon around the club, getting the boats and dock areas ready for the season. Reminder, the speed limit on the club grounds is 5mph. Keep an eye out for someone popping out from between stored boats or other stored items, there are a lot of obstacles.

Skipperettes will be serving lunch at the Annual Club Clean up on 4/25, this event will be chaired by Kyle Overmyer.

The next Skipperettes meeting will be on Monday 4/13 at 7pm. Please come and join us, we are planning spring and summer events now. We would love your input and support.

Upcoming Skipperettes events are the Spring Flower Sale, it will be pre order sales, with pick-ups 5/8 and 5/9 for Mother's Day. Then that Monday, instead of our regular meeting we will be hosting the Annual May Tea on 5/11. Details on both of these events will follow next month.

Looking forward to seeing you all around the club.

Skipper Jacqi



## Fleet Captain - Greg Fuhman

Sorry, nothing to report this month.

Thank you,  
Greg Fuhrman  
Fleet Captain



## Measurer - Anthony Allegra

"Thank you to everyone who has already reached out to be measured. Be sure to contact me if you have purchased a new vessel or are looking to upgrade before the season starts."

Sincerely,  
Anthony Allegra  
Mobile: 440-479-4579



## Sail Fleet Captain - Dan Spence

The flowers are blooming, the sun is out and for us boaters the smell of marine wax and bottom paint wafting over the CLYC grounds can mean only one thing, we have survived yet another long Northeast Ohio

winter and boating season is right around the corner!

Many of us will be spending the upcoming weeks working diligently to prepare our boats and docks for what is sure to be a great summer at CLYC and I can think of no better way to reward yourselves for all of that hard work that by joining the sail fleet and attending our Spring Fling get together on Saturday May 2 nd !

But Dan, don't I need to have a sailboat to join the Sail Fleet? No! Of course not! We welcome all boating and social members that are interested in having a great time. If you would like to know more please reach out to myself or any of your other friends in Sail Fleet and we will be more than happy to help!

On a last note, I would like to thank Commodore Jeff Zika and all of those involved in the planning of this year's Commodores Ball for a wonderful weekend. For those of you who haven't had the pleasure, I would highly recommend attending next year!

Dan Spence  
Sail Fleet Captain

## March Anniversaries

- 1 Joe & Tina Bonfiglio
- 16 Michael & Nikki Sablack
- 18 Ron & Ann Marie Campbell  
Dan & Billie Federer
- 21 Matt & Sheryl Simko



## March Birthdays

- 2 Kim Hunt  
Benny Tizzano
- 3 John Latkovic
- 5 Ray Guarino
- 6 Pat McClimans
- 7 Jennifer Schindler
- 9 Brian Sikorski
- 12 Patricia White
- 13 Shelly Wienhold
- 14 Anthony Allegra  
Gary Kipp  
Jeff Raynor  
Todd Stuckey
- 15 Lori Mullen
- 18 Linda Lipovec  
Stacey Stankus
- 19 Ron Campbell
- 21 Roberta Tilk
- 22 Jody Finucan  
Debby Hemrich
- 25 Dan Hill  
Karl Leivo
- 26 Raymond Preztak  
Don Simonitis  
Mario Skandul
- 28 Michelle Gaiser  
Debbie Holy
- 29 Halina Gennert
- 30 Jack Spayde



## CHIT CHAT – Kyle Overmyer

**THE DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES IS THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH.**

April

Happy Easter and Passover! Spring has sprung and our Guardians are back!!!

I hear the Commodore's Ball was enjoyed by all. So happy everyone had a great time!

So great to see so many CLYC kids having fun at the Skipperettes annual Easter Egg Hunt. Thank you Debbie Hemrich and all your volunteers for your hard work.

Grounds clean up on April 25th at 9am. Please try to come out and give a hand in getting our grounds ready for the season.

We welcome new members, Chad & Shelly Wienhold and Matt & Sheryl Simko. Please introduce yourself when you see them.

Keeping any club member that is going through some health issues/treatments in our thoughts and prayers. Your Loving CLYC Family!!



# CLYC Charlie Simmons Memorial Scholarship Program 2026

The International Order of Blue Gavel (IOBG), CLYC Chapter, is sponsoring the **CLYC Charlie Simmons Memorial Scholarship Awards Program**. Under the Program, one (1) \$1000 scholarship per year will be awarded to a CLYC member's child or grandchild.

Program Guidelines:

- \* Seeking graduating seniors or those already enrolled in an accredited Trade School, 2 year college or 4 year college with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and participation in extracurricular school activities.
- \* Graduating High School seniors must plan to at end a two (2)-year community college, four (4)-year college or university or a two-year Trade School.
- \* Applications must be received by the CLYC Blue Gavel no later than June 15, 2026  
Applications may be obtained from the office or from P/C Tom Fink

Please submit any questions to:  
CLYC Blue Gavel  
c/ o Chagrin Lagoons Yacht Club  
35111 Halsey Drive  
Eastlake, OH 44095

APRIL				CLYC BREEZE		
BAR HOURS – MON -THUR 5pm-10pm FRI 5pm-1am; SAT 1pm-1am SUN 1pm-9pm		GALLEY HOURS: TUES – THURS 5pm-9pm FRI-SAT 5pm-10pm		2026		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 <b>PASSOVER BEGINS</b>	3 <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	4
5 <b>EASTER</b>  <small>BAR CLOSED</small>	6 <b>MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7pm</b>	7	8 <b>SAIL FLEET- RACE MEETING 7pm</b>	9	10	11
12	13 <b>SKIPPERETTE'S MEETING 7pm</b>	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 <b>TRUSTEES MEETING 7pm</b>	21	22	23	24	25 <b>GROUND'S CLEAN UP - 9AM MUSIC BY BRENT KIRBY</b>
26	27	28	29	30	<b>BOATIQUE OPEN WED &amp; FRI 6-8PM</b>	