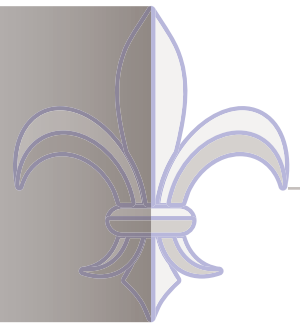


# MONTOUR MONTHLY



News from the Clubhouse



OCTOBER 2024

## Falling for the Popular Annual Fall Festival & Second Annual Chili Cookoff

Sunday, October 13, 2024 • 12 to 3 p.m.

Petting Zoo 12 to 2 p.m., Bounce House,  
Inflatable Obstacle Course, Games,  
Pumpkin Painting, Food Stations, and More!  
Adults \$30++ | Children \$22++ | Children 3 and under Free

Chili Cookoff & Sign Up  
Details on [page 7](#)

MUCH  
MORE  
INSIDE!



Please Join Us!

FOR RESERVATIONS: Beth at (412) 264-5950, x255  
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We had a tie in this  
year's Battle of the  
Sexes Ryder Cup!

Thank you to all who  
came out and played.

More golf news on [pages 3 & 8](#).

## October Message from the General Manager

It seems the fall weather has finally reached western Pennsylvania. After what seemed to be extended weather for the summer season, it seems we can finally pull out our sweatshirts and enjoy some time outside without worrying about the extreme heat.

The end of the summer season doesn't mean it's the end of fun at the Club. Our final few months of 2024 are plenty packed so you still can enjoy your time at the Club. Starting in October, we have our Annual Fall Festival and Chili Cookoff on October 13. With plenty of activities for the kids and adults, we encourage everyone to start the fall festivities with us. At the end of the month, we have our Boo Brunch. Bring the whole family over to show off your Halloween costume to your friends and our wonderful staff.

Moving into November, we kick off the month with our final golf event of the year, the Linguini Open. Make sure to join us to round out an exceptional golf season. Before we know it, the smell of turkey and stuffing will be in the air. Be sure to join us for our Thanksgiving Day Buffet. For those of you wishing to stay home, we will have our takeout menu available in the next few weeks.

One thing we like to focus on here at MHCC is our local charities. We will have our 2024 Holiday Charity

Toy Drive for Walking the Talk to help local families during the holiday season. New unwrapped toys, household items, small appliances, new clothing, or shoes are all accepted and can be dropped off at the front office before Thanksgiving.

While I know many people around the holiday season have jam-packed schedules, consider spreading some holiday cheer at MHCC. We have events planned for everyone in the family. To spend time with the kids, join us for our Light Up Night on Tuesday, December 3, and the Santa Brunch on Sunday, December 22.

While the holidays are such a special time for the kids, maybe you need a night away from those kids. Come to the Holiday Enchantment on Saturday, December 7. It will be a roaring good time. Before we know it, we will be ringing in 2025, and another great year at MHCC will come to a close.

See you around the Club!



**Paul M. Korbar, CCM**  
**General Manager, MHCC**

*Welcome*  
**NEW MEMBERS!**

*John Howell*  
*Josh Miller*



*Congratulations to members Libby and Frank Milsak on the birth of their granddaughter Billie! She's shown here with her mom Mallory Milsak Higgins. Billie was born on July 6 and weighed 6 lbs. 6 ozs. and was 19 inches long.*

# Congratulations to These September Winners!

## Mixed Championship



**LOW GROSS WINNERS**  
Maggie Talarico and  
Tristen Zimmer



**LOW NET WINNERS**  
Beth Appanitis and  
Dean Petrone



**BEAT THE PRO**  
Jeff Murray –  
Closest to the pin on hole 2



**KEEPING IT IN THE FAMILY:**  
Closest to the pin on hole 16 –  
Lisa Cooper  
Longest putt on hole 13 –  
Dave Cooper

## Women's & Men's Club Championships

Special thanks to Laura and Ryan Mustio for coming out to present the trophies for this year's women's events, named in memory of their mother Marianne Mustio.



**MEN'S SENIOR CLUB  
CHAMPION**  
Mark Young



**MEN'S SUPER-SENIOR  
CHAMPION**  
Chuck Carlson



**MEN'S SENIOR HANDICAP  
CHAMPION**  
Dan Black



**MARIANNE C. MUSTIO  
WOMEN'S CLUB CHAMPION**  
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**MARIANNE C. MUSTIO  
WOMEN'S CLUB HANDICAP  
CHAMPION**  
Kristee Blanciak

Congratulations to all players who qualified for the Systems 4PT Players Championship and Abate Irwin Women's Players Championship.

A Special Thank You goes to Landon Shaw of Systems 4PT and Roger Irwin of Abate Irwin for making these events possible!

## October & November Golf Events

**LADIES CLOSING DAY**  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

**LINGUINI OPEN**  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

**PRACTICE FACILITY CLOSURES FOR THE SEASON**  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

# BOO BRUNCH

Sunday, October 27 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Mark your calendar so you're sure to be a part of this long-standing tradition! The event will feature our "Boo" Buffet and lots of frightfully good fun, including treat bags and a photo booth.

**KIDS COSTUME PARADE AT NOON COSTUMES WELCOME!**

Adults \$30++ | Children \$22++ | Children 3 and under Free




## FOR DINING & EVENT RESERVATIONS:

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Happy fall! Happy Halloween!



**Kids Night**  
IN THE HEIGHTS GRILL ROOM  
Thursdays  
October 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31  
5–8 p.m.  
FREE Kids Buffet and FREE featured dessert  
with the purchase of every meal.



Thank you to Evan and Peter for constructing a new roof over the pizza ovens this summer.

## The distinct charm of fall golf and seasonal maintenance plans

As the cooler temperatures settle in and the leaves begin to fall, we enter a cooler and colorful season for golf at Montour Heights Country Club. I'd like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to the grounds maintenance team for their dedication in maintaining the course at the highest standard each day.

I am pleased with the current condition of the course, and fall golf with its distinct charm, will continue to offer a wonderful experience for our members and guests.

As the season progresses, you will notice some changes in our maintenance operations. Leaf clean up will become a primary focus, alongside our regular upkeep. Additionally, we will begin a few important projects, including drainage work, sodding and seeding. These efforts were originally planned for the spring but were delayed due to the pond project.

While the summer weather, particularly the lack of rain, has taken a toll on certain areas of the course, especially in the rough, we've made good progress thanks to the rain in early August. However, certain areas, specifically behind the 18th green will require more attention, and we will soon be aerating and seeding this section.

Regarding the pond project, I'd like to provide a quick update. We've identified a small leak in the intake pipe that connects to the pump house near the 17th hole, and I want to clarify that this issue is unrelated to the pond liner itself. We are actively consulting with several companies to resolve this specific problem. The dry weather in September has made it difficult to proceed with repairs, as our irrigation needs have taken priority.

You may have noticed that the water level has not significantly increased, as doing so would exacerbate the leak. Rest assured, we are committed to addressing this issue and moving forward with a solution as quickly as possible.

I'd also like to thank our members and their guests for their ongoing support and compliments regarding the course's condition. Your patience and understanding during this challenging summer have been greatly appreciated. We remain focused on maintaining optimal green speed and consistency as we continue through the playing season.

**OTIS UPDATE** On a lighter note, I'm happy to report that Otis is in excellent health and steadily gaining weight, which is our primary goal for his condition. He recently turned six months old and is growing like a weed! Emily and I would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all of you who have inquired about him – it means a great deal to us. Otis is full of energy and loves coming to work each day. We're working with a professional trainer on obedience and commands, including training him to stay away from golf balls (with mixed success so far). But for now, he remains safely leashed to the cart when we're near the greens or when golfers are out on the course.

Thank you once again for your continued support and enthusiasm. We look forward to providing you with an outstanding golf experience throughout the fall season.

*Corey Cheza, Golf Course Superintendent,  
and the MHCC Grounds Staff*

# SAVE THE HOLIDATES!

**THANKSGIVING BUFFET**  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

**LIGHT UP NIGHT**  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

**"ENCHANTMENT"**  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

**CHAMPAGNE LUNCH**  
WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18-20

**SANTA BRUNCH**  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

**NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER**  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

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TOY DRIVE SEASON IS HERE

## Help Us Support Our 2024 Holiday Charity!



Please consider donating **NEW UNWRAPPED TOYS, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, SMALL APPLIANCES, NEW CLOTHING, OR SHOES** to help LOCAL families in need.

Walking The Talk supports people from Moon Township, Coraopolis, Neville Island, Crescent Township, Ambridge, Aliquippa, Leetsdale, Sewickley, and Aleppo Township.

Kindly drop off any contributions to the Front Office before Thanksgiving.

## IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY PARTY!

Whether your party is large or more intimate, Montour Heights is the perfect setting for your holiday event. (And, don't forget that room fees are free as a benefit of membership.) We have many festive banquet menus that will be sure to delight – anything from heavy appetizers to plated meals. Please contact Maria at (412) 264-5950 x 237 or [mwhite@montourheightscc.com](mailto:mwhite@montourheightscc.com) to book today. **DATES ARE GOING FAST!**

MHCC's 2nd Annual  
**FALL FESTIVAL**

**Chili**  
**COOK  
OFF**



Make the  
best chili to  
win a super-  
cool trophy  
and dinner  
for 2!

**SUNDAY,  
OCTOBER 13**

SET UP NO LATER THAN 11:30 AM  
WINNER WILL BE ANNOUNCED BY 1:30 PM

Didn't find the right recipe last year or  
maybe you have been practicing all  
summer long? Now's your chance to be  
this year's winner at the Fall Festival!

**FREE TO ENTER &  
FREE TO TASTE**

For more information or  
to sign up contact

Maria White at  
[mwhite@montourheightsc.com](mailto:mwhite@montourheightsc.com)

All entries should be  
submitted by October 1



## Design & Unwind



## Chef Esteban Meet & Greet



## Battles of the Sexes Ryder Cup

