

Kayak, Sail, Canoe

Mentor offers a wide range of fun and exciting boating programs each summer. Learning to boat is made easy in the safe, protected harbors of the Mentor Lagoons. Try something new this year! Our fleet of over 50 boats are waiting to be taken for a ride!



Launching Your Boat At The Mentor Lagoons

The boat ramp at the Mentor Lagoons Marina is open April 1 – November 15, weather permitting. The ramp opens one hour before sunrise and closes one hour after sunset. Daily launch permits may be purchased at the Marina Office during business hours and are non-transferable and non-refundable. New this year, purchase a season launch pass and receive unlimited launches during the season.

Daily Launch Permit \$10

Ramp Coupon Book \$50 for 7 launches

Season Pass \$125 (\$100 Mentor resident senior)

Explore The Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve & Marina

The City of Mentor offers many opportunities to discover the beauty and delicate ecosystems of the Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve & Marina. Discover with us by canoe or kayak, by hiking the trails by bicycle or boat. The Mentor Lagoons Marina features a safe harbor with quick, direct access to Lake Erie. The tranquil waters of the lagoons provides protected dockage for your boat. Each dock has its own green space for picnicking and relaxation.



HELPFUL INFORMATION

Kayak Parties

Celebrate any special occasion with a guided, 2-hour kayak trip through the Mentor Lagoons. Group minimum is 6 people. The cost is \$14 per person and must be paid when booking the trip. Kayaks, life jackets, paddles and instruction is included. Participants must be able to swim 25 yards. Minimum age is 10. Single and double kayaks are available. Call the Recreation Department at 974-5720 to book your date.

Kayak Rental

Mentor Lagoons Marina
June 5 - September 4
9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Rent single and double kayaks by the hour at the Mentor Lagoons Marina. Kayaks must stay within the Lagoons and are not permitted on the lake. Renters must be able to swim a minimum of 25 yards. Anyone under 16 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Life jackets will be issued and must be worn at all times. Advance reservations are required for evenings and weekends. Call the Marina office at 205-3265 to book your rental. Rates are per hour.

| | Resident | Nonresident |
|--------|----------|-------------|
| Single | \$10 | \$12 |
| Double | \$16 | \$18 |



Mentor Lagoons Marina –

SEE YOU ON THE WATER!

Award Winning Boating Programs

The City of Mentor was awarded the Northern Region 2006 Boating Education Advancement Award at the International Boating & Water Safety Summit in San Antonio, Texas in March, 2007. In addition, Mentor won the 2005 Education Program Achievement Award by the Ohio Division of Watercraft.

Rack Dockage

Year Round or Seasonal Storage for boats up to 28 feet in length

The Mentor Lagoons Marina has yearly and summer -only rack storage available inside the storage building. Boaters can store their boat all winter and receive unlimited daily launches throughout the summer season, while their boat enjoys the security and the maintenance advantage of an indoor location. Rack storage customers will also enjoy a picnic area with water, electric, picnic tables and related facilities adjacent to the storage building. Discounts are available for Mentor residents. Call the Marina at (440) 205-3625 for more information.

Summer Operation – 7 Days Per Week

May 1 – April 30 Summer/Winter customers

May 1 – October 1 Seasonal customers

Rack In-Service and Out-Service Dates

May 15 – September 30

All rack-stored boats must be in building by Oct 1 for winter storage. No boats will be racked after Oct 1.

Rack Operation Out of Service

October 1 – May 14

2010 Rack Storage Fees

| Boat Size | Season | Resident | Senior | Nonresident |
|----------------|-------------|----------|--------|-------------|
| 19'11" or less | Full Year | \$780 | \$745 | \$855 |
| | Summer Only | \$525 | \$495 | \$575 |
| 20' to 24'11" | Full Year | \$985 | \$935 | \$1060 |
| | Summer Only | \$780 | \$740 | \$855 |
| 25' to 28' | Full Year | \$1190 | \$1135 | \$1295 |
| | Summer Only | \$985 | \$935 | \$1090 |

\$13 OAL Channel Dredge Fee applies to all Rack Storage Boats and wet slips.

City of Mentor Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities

(440) 974-5720

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Paddling and Boating Opportunities & Adventures

2010



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LEARN

Kayaking for Beginners

Instructor: Jim Zofchak

Learn how to navigate the water on a simple kayak. It's easy, fun, and this basic class will help you learn to navigate a single or double kayak safely and easily. This course includes instruction on basic paddling skills, efficient rescue techniques, and a couple of hours of sun, water, and fun! You will get wet, so bring a change of dry clothes, sunscreen, a hat or visor, and a water bottle. All equipment provided. Minimum age is 11. Participants must be able to swim 25 yards and tread water for 2 minutes.

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| Wed, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #9686 | May 26 |
| Wed, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #9687 | June 9 |
| Wed, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #9689 | July 7 |
| Wed, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #9690 | July 21 |
| Sat, 9:30 – 11:30 p.m. | #9691 | August 14 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons |
| Resident: \$13 | | Nonresident: \$17 |

“The kayak class was great and everyone really had a great time!”

Donna C. - Mentor



Paddling 101: The Right Way to Paddle a Canoe

Instructor: Jim Zofchak or Michelle Haag

Do you want to take the family on a fun canoe trip but need to learn the basics of canoeing first? In this two-hour intro class, you will learn the importance of the four basic bow strokes and safe paddling procedures. Please bring sunscreen, a hat, water bottle and dry clothing. Minimum age is 12. Participants must be able to swim 25 yards and tread water for 2 minutes.

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| Sun., 1 - 3 p.m. | #10804 | May 23 |
| Sat, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. | #10360 | June 19 |
| Sat, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. | #10361 | July 17 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons |
| Resident: \$13 | | Nonresident: \$17 |

Smooth Sailing for Beginners

Instructor: Jim Zofchak

If sailing is something you have always wanted to try, this 3-hour class is for you. You will learn sailing basics in small, one - two person Sunfish sailboats, mastering the components of a boat, how to handle the wind, proper boating etiquette, how to set up a boat and sailing a small craft. You will get wet, so bring a change of dry clothes, sunscreen, a hat, non-skid shoes, and a water bottle. Minimum age is 12. Participants must be able to swim 25 yards and tread water for 2 minutes.

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| Tues, 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. | #9694 | June 29 |
| Sat, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | #9695 | July 31 |
| Sat., 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | #10365 | September 4 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons |
| Resident: \$19 | | Nonresident: \$24 |

“This was my first time sailing. I learned a lot and would do it again.”

Mark H. - Mentor

American Red Cross Fundamentals Of Canoeing

Earn Red Cross certification in canoeing in this 12-hour class. This program is designed for those with very little or no experience in canoeing. First lesson is in Civic Center Pool, then, we're off to try new skills in the protected channels of the Mentor Lagoons. Instruction includes paddling strokes and techniques, self-rescue, weight distribution and stability, exchanging position in a canoe, and boating safety. Minimum age is 13. All equipment provided.

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| Tues & Thurs, 6 - 9 p.m | Mentor Lagoons |
| Sessions: 4 | #10343 |
| June 15, 17, 22 & 24 | |
| Resident: \$36 | Nonresident: \$45 |

American Red Cross Fundamentals Of Kayaking

Earn Red Cross certification in kayaking by taking this 12-hour class. If you have limited experience with kayaking and want to improve your skills and technique, this class is for you. Lessons will be held in the warm, clean water of Civic Center Pool. We will be using whitewater kayaks and teaching whitewater kayaking techniques. Anyone can learn the fundamentals of this exciting sport. Minimum age is 12. All equipment is provided.

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| Tues & Thurs, 6 – 9 p.m. | Civic Center Pool |
| Sessions: 4 | #10345 July 13, 15, 20 & 22 |
| Mon & Wed, 6–9 pm. | Civic Center Pool |
| Sessions: 4 | #10344 August 9, 11, 16 & 18 |
| Resident: \$50 | Nonresident: \$62 |

Register online at www.cityofmentor.com/play or call (440) 974-5720



Ohio Boating Education Course

Instructor: Jim Zofchak

Taking an Ohio Boating Education Course (OBEC) will allow you to comply with the Ohio Boater Education law and will satisfy other states' boater education requirements for Ohio boaters operating in and out-of-state. Topics covered are trailering, docking, navigation rules, operating a personal watercraft, personal flotation devices, and handling boating emergencies. All persons born after January 1, 1982 must have a certificate to operate watercraft over 10 horsepower. In addition, this course may make you eligible for a discount on your boat or PWC insurance! Participants must attend 8 hours to be eligible to take the test. The Municipal Center class is held in the 2nd floor Conference Room, 8500 Civic Center Blvd. The Community Center is located at the Civic Ice Arena, 8600 Munson Rd.

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| Monday & Tuesday, 6 - 10 p.m. | Municipal Center |
| Sessions: 2 | #9355 May 10 & 11 |
| | #9680 July 12 & 13 |
| | #9681 August 9 & 10 |
| | #9683 September 13 & 14 |
| | #9684 October 18 & 19 |
| | #9685 November 15 & 16 |
| Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. | Community Center |
| | #9354 April 17 |
| Sunday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Community Center |
| Sessions: 1 | #9678 June 13 |
| Resident: \$13 | Nonresident: \$16 |



Boating education programs are funded in part by a grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Watercraft.

HAVE FUN

Women In Boats A Women's Only Kayak Adventure

Instructor: Michelle Haag

Explore the Lagoons Water Trail, visit the "Bridge To Nowhere," and return to home base for a campfire and snacks. Bring a hat, dry clothes, a towel and a water bottle. You can select between a single kayak, tandem kayak or use a canoe. We provide lifejackets and paddles, too.

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| Sunday, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. | #10665 | June 13 |
| Thurs, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #10667 | June 17 |
| Wed., 7 - 9 p.m. | #10805 | July 7 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons |
| Resident: \$13/boat | | Nonresident: \$17/boat |

Paddle with Dad

Instructor: Michelle Haag

Have fun out on the water with your child! This is a great way to spend quiet, one-on-one time while enjoying the water and practicing your paddling. Tour the Lagoons Water Trail, visit the "Bridge To Nowhere," and return to home base for a campfire, complete with a great after paddle snacks and cold drinks. Bring a hat, dry clothes, a towel and a water bottle.

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| Sunday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. | #10358 | July 11 |
| Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #10357 | August 3 |
| Session: 1 | | Marina Office |
| Resident: \$13/boat | | Nonresident: \$17/boat |

Family Paddle

Instructor: Michelle Haag

Pack up the family and enjoy a Sunday family paddle! We provide everything you need. You can select between a single kayak, tandem kayak, or use a canoe. We provide life jackets and paddles too.

We'll go over basic paddling safety, then, we will go explore the Lagoons Water Trail, visit the "Bridge to Nowhere" and get a birds-eye view of the lagoons ecosystem. Tandem kayaks hold two, canoes hold two adults and two small children, making the price very reasonable for a family adventure!

Bring a hat, sunscreen, dry clothes, a towel and a water bottle for all family members. Kids under age 11 must be in a kayak or canoe with an adult. Please register early



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| Sunday, 1 - 3 p.m. | #10806 | September 12 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons Marina |
| Resident: \$13/boat | | Nonresident: \$17/boat |

Evening Paddle at the Lagoons

Instructor: Jim Zofchak

Pack up the kids and join us for a night of exploring the Mentor Lagoons via the water. We provide everything you need. You can select between a single kayak, tandem kayak, or use a canoe. We provide life jackets and paddles.

We'll go over basic paddling safety, then, we will explore the Lagoons Water Trail, visit the "Bridge to Nowhere," and get a birds-eye view of the lagoons ecosystem. Bring a hat, sunscreen, dry clothes, a towel and a water bottle for all family members. Kids under age 11 must be in a kayak or canoe with an adult. Please register early.

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| Tues, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #10341 | July 6 |
| Wed, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. | #10342 | August 25 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons |
| Resident: \$13/boat | | Nonresident: \$17/boat |

Kayaking for Early Birds

Instructor: Donna Clark

Experience the peaceful morning beauty of the lagoons as we paddle pass blue herons and turtles. Be back home before the kids roll out of bed.

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| Sat, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. | #10350 | June 19 |
| Sat, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. | #10351 | July 31 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons |
| Resident: \$13/boat | | Nonresident: \$17/boat |

Moonlight Kayak Paddle

Instructor: Donna Clark

Paddle under the stars and through the Mentor Lagoons. Paddle begins in the evening with the sun still in the sky, but we'll watch the sun set and return in the moonlight. We provide kayaks, lifejackets, paddles and illumination for your kayak.

Participants must be at least 16 years old or accompanied by a parent.

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| Fri, 9 - 10:30 p.m. | #10354 | June 18 |
| Sat, 9 - 10:30 p.m. | #10355 | July 10 |
| Sat, 9 - 10:30 p.m. | #10668 | July 31 |
| Session: 1 | | Mentor Lagoons |
| Resident: \$13/boat | | Nonresident: \$17/boat |

FOR KIDS

Boating Camp

Ages 10 - 15
Monday - Friday, 9:15 am - 3:15 pm
June 28 - July 2

Nature Preserve Trailhead Parking Lot
During this hands-on boating program, students learn the basics of how to paddle a kayak and canoe, row a row boat, sail a sailboat, and drive a small electric motor boat all in one action packed week!

Each day students have 'on the water' time, learning the proper way to use each type of watercraft. Time will be set aside for boating related activities including PFD training, navigation rules, rigging boats, capsize drills, and wind orientation. An integral part of camp is developing the knowledge to earn the State of Ohio Boaters Education Course license which involves 8-hours of in-class instruction as well as the hands-on training. After passing a written exam, students are licensed by the State of Ohio to operate any watercraft over 10 horsepower! Prerequisite: Campers must hold a Red Cross Level 3 or higher swimming certificate, be able to tread water for 2 minutes and swim 25 yards at any speed using any stroke. Equipment provided.

Resident: \$122 #8866 Nonresident: \$138

Jimmy loved boating camp! Thanks for providing a great experience!

– Barb Z.

Nature Camp: Exploring the Lagoons

Ages 7 - 12
Monday - Thursday, 9:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
July 12 - 15

Mentor Lagoons Marina Office

The lagoons holds many special places and inhabitants. In this camp we'll hike to the old homestead area, follow deer tracks, swing from vines, look for shells on the beach, paddle into the river and net flying insects in the meadow. Campers will record their week and create a photo-journal, too!

Resident: \$63 #8928 Nonresident: \$84

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