

THE FIRST VENETIAN NIGHT.

One of the most spectacular events to take place this past season at the O. T. Y. C. was the first Venetian Night which was suggested, initiated and planned by the Racing Committee. Most of the participants had never before seen such an event, but with encouragement by the Commodore and Mrs. Hill, several pep talks and helpful suggestions, a group of boat owners secretly prepared their craft for the event.

The date of August 29th, Saturday, brought forth several unforeseen difficulties, not the least of which was the unpredictable weather. Those who assembled at the Club house at four o'clock in the afternoon in order to get final instructions about the power boats to tow them, discovered that boats coming in for the event were unable to approach the dock or moor because of the unusually high winds and whitecaps which threatened to jinx the Venetian Nights plans.

However, optimism prevailed in the thoughts of a small group who felt that in all probability the winds and waves would subside by the time the event was scheduled. This optimism proved well founded for the waters calmed considerably and the wind lessened appreciably.

Encouraged by the favorable change in weather conditions, decorations continued on the entries and others began to bring boats over to the Club, even rowing across Omena Bay.

So, according to plan, the floodlight was erected on the end of the dock. This was to serve two purposes, first to illuminate the boats as they were paraded past the viewers at the Club house, and secondly, to indicate the end of the dock so boats would know how close they were to it. This latter was a safety factor which prevented the turning off of the Club lights on the veranda.

Due to circumstances beyond their control, two of the racing committee members were unable to attend the affair, but Millie Alcorn selected Humphrey Jackson to assist her in deciding upon the awards. Blue and red ribbons indicating first and second places were chosen. Those receiving blue ribbon awards are as follows:

Jane Bassler, Sabra Saxton and their friends received the blue ribbon award for the most unusual and original boat, the four babies in a bassinet. Jane told us that over 4,000 paper napkins had been carefully tucked into a chicken wire framework to form the bassinet. She and her friends worked for days to bring the beautiful boat to a finish in time for the Venetian Night. Their crepe paper baby bonnets, bottles with real milk, and nighties, carried out their idea in detail



HECTOR M. CARMICHAEL.

Members of the O. T. Y. C. are grieved to learn of the recent passing of Hector M. Carmichael on November 20, 1953. We all send our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Carmichael.

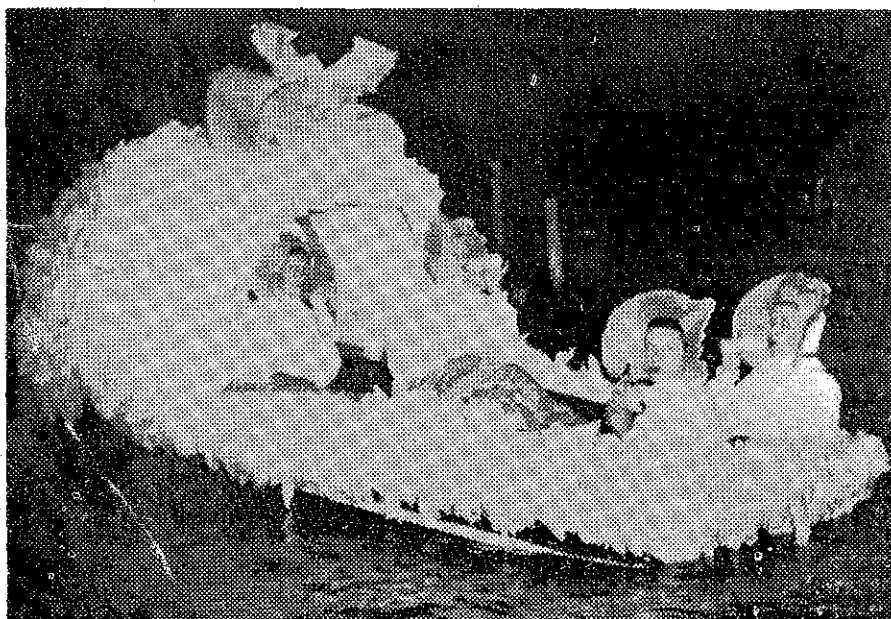
Hector was very pleased with the progress of the Club and expressed his pleasure with generous endowment of property from time to time. One of his greatest delights was watching the races through the picture window in his front room. He particularly treasured the scrap book of the Club's activities of the 1952 season for he often mentioned it when his many friends called upon him.

To us he shall be remembered as the Good Patron Saint of the O. T. Y. C.

which was both amusing and beautiful to the viewers as they were towed around the Bay.

Another blue ribbon was awarded to Mary Foltz for her gondola in which was seated an accordion player. Music from the accordion appropriately carried out the Venetian Night theme, adding realism to her cleverly rigged up gondola. The lantern in the helm added a festive touch to the boat, and again the work was all done by Mary and her friends.

Two blue ribbons were awarded to Dr. Melvin Pike for his unusual and beautifully carved white foam figures. The large swan was most effective and was illuminated by a blue spot light. A perverse wind arising caused the swan to nearly capsize the boat and gave the viewers an exciting moment at it passed by on the second encircling of the buoy in front of the Club house. The fact that the boat came too close to shore and sheared a pin was responsible for its not being seen more often.



Janey Basler, Sabra Saxton and crew of Babies in a Bassinet Float at Club's "Venetian Night". — Photo by Earl Moore.

The second sculptured figure, that of a mermaid sitting on the prow of the boat, embellished with a fish net and illuminated by a red spotlight was clever and one of the most beautiful of the elaborately conceived ideas. The Pikes are to be congratulated for having the privilege of knowing the professional sculptor in Midland and particularly fortunate in being able to enuist his services in carrying out their clever ideas.

Red ribbons indicating second place awards were made to each of the following:

Holly Renz, whose penguin was decorated with pin wheels which gayly whirled in the wind.

Mary Helen Ayars, whose penguin was effectively decorated with crepe paper streamers.

Sue Barker, whose penguin carried strings of bright colored pennants fastened to the mast wires.

Margie and Betsy Lyon, whose penguin was bedecked with crepe paper and balloons and was lighted with flashing red and white beech lanterns.

Rat Smith, whose penguin was decorated to represent a pirates ship flying a flag with skull and cross-bones, lighted with red and green ship lanterns. Rat was attired in the outfit of a captain of the pirate ship.

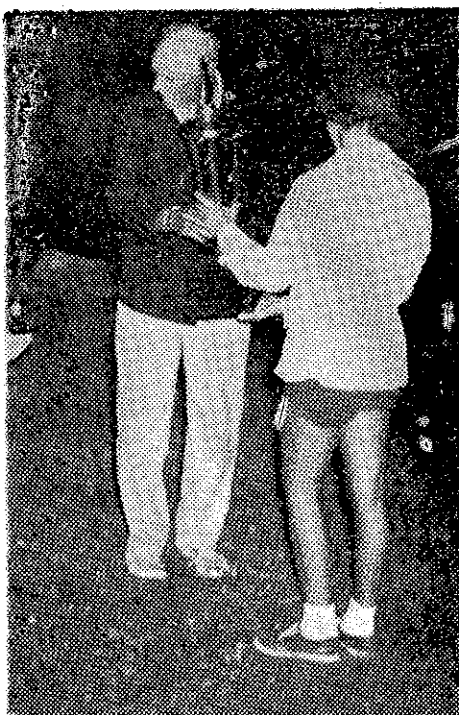
The Cramptons, whose boat was decorated with streamers of crepe paper and towed other boats.

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Mary Helen Ayars receiving Trophies from Commodore Hill.

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PENGUOMENIA FLEET.

O. T. Y. C. 1953 Race Results.

The second season of racing for our Penguins seems to have been one of much more variety and interest as competition between the skippers and crews resulted in many thrilling moments, sometimes the results were not evident until the boats crossed the finishing line. The Club trophy, the Schaefer Cup, and high point winner was Mary Helen Ayars with ten first, ten second and three third places. We are all proud of Mary Helen for her accomplishment and feel that she was certainly a deserving winner.

Second honors went to Sue Barker with nine first, four second and two third places. Both first and second place winners have shown unusually well, their grasp of the fundamentals for bringing their craft to victory. This was due to study of the "Learning to Sail" by H. A. Calahan, and to expert instruction by experienced sailors.

Third place honors went to Rat Smith with five first, nine second and four third places. Other ribbons were won by Judy Pike, who was awarded one first, two second and three third place ribbons; Holly Renz, who was awarded one first and seven third place ribbons; Margy Lyon, who was awarded one second and two third place ribbons, and Jim Jackson, who was awarded three third place ribbons.

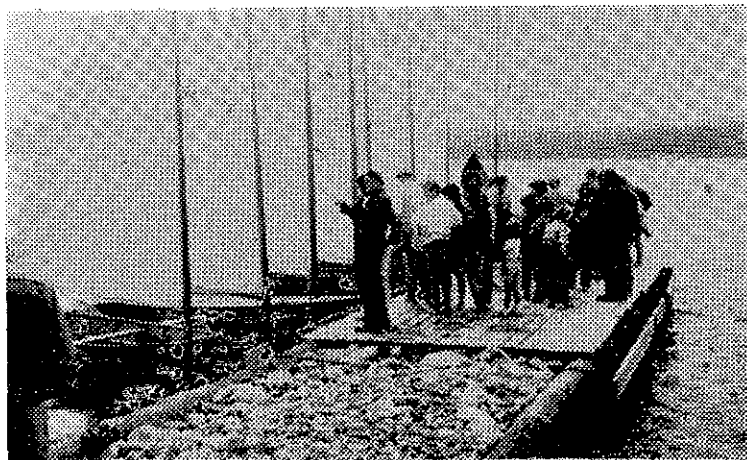
This year we welcomed the Lyon Cub Penguin which raced for the first time and the Club also has a new Penguin owned by the Gardners. Therefore we can look forward to seven Penguins in the contests for next season, and this portends an interesting and eventful series of races.

FLEET CHARTER.

Then Penguin Class Dinghy Association, upon application for a fleet charter, on October 10, 1953, granted Fleet Charter No. 71 to the PENGUOMENIA FLEET, Omena, Michigan.

"Know all men by these presents, that the owners of Penguin Dinghies in this vicinity having banded together to establish this fleet do agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the Penguin Class Dinghy Association and are hereby granted this Fleet Charter".

This charter will be suitably framed and presented to the Club by the Fleet Captain, Jim Jackson.



Penguomenia Fleet is briefed before racing.

— Photo by Stewart Ayars.

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1951 ANDERSON, George, Northport, Mich.

1952 ANDERSON, Mr. and Mrs. Louis E., Northport, Mich.

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1953 GARDNER, Kathryn L. (same address as above).

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1950 JACKSON, H. James (same address as above) Jr.

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1953 JOHANNING, Mona, (same address as above).

1953 JOHANNING, Mr. and Mrs. Norman (same address as above).

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1949 LAY, Miss Clemewell, Emma Willard School, Troy, New York.

1948 LINN, Mr. and Mrs. John W., (Alice Ayars) Box 4071, Mather Field, Calif.

1954 LIVINGSTON, Mr. and Mrs. William, Northport, Mich.

1950 LYON, Margaret, 1 Dexter Pl., Cincinnati, Ohio.

1949 LYON, Dr. and Mrs. Robert, (same address as above).

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1949 MILROY, Mr. and Mrs. Wm., (same address as above).

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1948 MORSE, Tom (same address as above).

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1952 PIKE, Judy, 220 W. Nelson St., Midland, Michigan. Jr.

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1948 RENZ, Dr. and Mrs. Andrew C., 115 Linden Dr., Wyoming, Ohio.

1951 RENZ, Holly (same address as above).

1948 RENZ, William, Box 562, University of Alabama.

1948 ROGERS, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. II (Sr.) Box K, Beulah, Mich.

1948 ROGERS, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. III (Gus). (Same address as above).

1949 RULE, Mr. and Mrs. Colter, 4320 Erie Ave., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.

1948 SAXTON, Mrs. Samuel S., 236 S. 16th St., Richmond, Indiana.

1949 SAXTON, Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Jane Morse 1948) 11483 Hessler Road, Cleveland 6, Ohio.

1952 SAXTON, Sabra, 228 W. 44th St., Indianapolis, Ind.

1948 SCHAEFER, Frederick R., 1650 Fifth Ave., Youngstown, Ohio.

1948 SCHAEFER, Marianne (same address as above).

1952 SLONIKER, Janet, Box 50, E. Compton Rd., Cincinnati 15, Ohio.

1952 SLONIKER, Mr. and Mrs. Mark L., (same address as above).

1951 SMITH, Carolin, 1508 Oak Ave., Evanston, Illinois.

1948 SMITH, Craig S., (same address as above).

1948 SMITH, Mr. and Mrs. George S. (same address as above).

1948 SMITH, Mrs. Kitty Calvert, 622 N. E. 16th Terrace, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

1950 SMITH, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E., Northport, Michigan.

1952 SMITH, Preston F., 1508 Oak Ave., Evanston, Ill.

1953 SMITH, Mr. and Mrs. Thearl, Omena, Michigan.

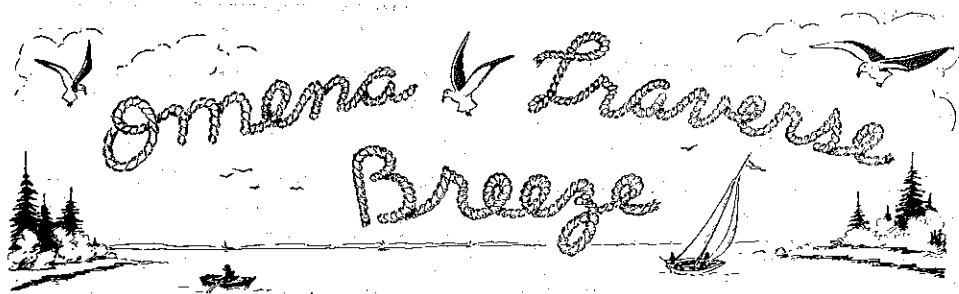
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1950 WAGNER, Dr. and Mrs. Carl F., 330 Warren Ave., Cincinnati 20, Ohio.

1948 WHEELER, Mr. and Mrs. Horace P., Omena, Michigan.

1948 WHEELER, Nancy Jo, Omena, Michigan Jr.



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GUEST MEMBERS 1953

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 Mr. and Mrs. Sidney G. Morse — 37 South Main St., Northfield, Vermont.
 Robert Morse — (same address as above).
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry Otterman — 3447 Berry Ave., Cincinnati 8, Ohio.
 Mr. and Mrs. John Roth — 2719 Hampshire Ave., Cincinnati 27, Ohio.
 Mr. and Mrs. Eben A. Barker, 4565 Ocean Dr., Lauderdale by the Sea, Fla.
 A/C Thomas T. Morse, AD 15495699, Box 272, Marana Air Base, Tucson, Ariz.

CLUB ROOF REPLACED.

If you have been a recent visitor to Omena and have driven over to the O. T. Y. C. property, you would be impressed by the nice looking, grey-asbestos shingle roof which has just been completed to replace the old leaky one.

Horace Wheeler says that they encountered some minor repairs in the nature of replacing timbers and boards which needed to be taken out and that the new roof now may make a difference in insurance rates as well as add greatly to the improved appearance of the Club.

SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENTS.

We need an incinerator, which could be built down by the beach at the south end of the property so that the unsightly clutter of papers is eliminated from the beach.

Why does not someone with a love for beauty see that the rear of the Club House, the part you see first driving in, is properly cleaned up and landscaped?

We would appreciate some grille and coffee-making equipment, an electric refrigerator, etc., so that the Snack Bar could serve sandwiches on important days and which could bring in additional revenue for the Club.

In straightening the roof and porch line, it was found that some of the structural members were dangerously rotted out and had to be replaced as a safety measure; improving the appearance then became incidental, so the work was done and is completed.

Overheard on the Bay.
 Fishing?
 No — bathing worms.

Margy Lyon and her mother Frances were in Evanston the week-end of Nov. 14 and 15 looking at Northwestern. The Ayars met and had dinner with them after the football game.

LAST MINUTE COPY:

The week-end of Nov. 6-8 saw Marjorie and Andy Renz in Chicago attending a medical convention. Wednesday evening the Ayars and Smiths had dinner with them and naturally a very pleasant visit talking over Omena.

Bill Renz' address is Box 3812, University of Alabama.

Jim Jackson is a member of "The Swing Masters", a local student dance orchestra. The group has appeared in several school assembly programs.

Eben Barker spent six weeks in the hospital following a heart attack in October. He is improving and feels much better. The Barkers are planning to go to Florida after the first of the year.

Perc Smith has furnished the Club Secretary with an early copy of the "Leelanau Yacht Club News", Vol. I, Number 1, Oct. 21, 1947.

The Renz's have a (new ?) Cadillac; a beauty to the lover of antique cars. Commodore Hill received a pre-view while in Cincinnati a few weeks ago. Bill and the Doctor are enthusiastically restoring it to its original glowing beauty.

Paul Hill has achieved at least one ambition by securing an MG — one of those little British sports cars. Because of its green two-tone color scheme, Marjory has named it "The Grasshopper", much to the proud owner's disgust, who would much rather it had been dubbed "The Green Hornet".

The Hills are going into the decorating and gift business both, in Attica, Indiana, and at Northport, Michigan. "The Studios" are at present negotiating for a suitable piece of property in the Village of Northport.

It is rumored that a group of the O. T. Y. C. girls are going to a house party during the holidays at Holly Renz's Cincinnati home.

Joe Alcorn and Millie have some surprises for us all in connection with the new dock, race trophies, program, etc., for the coming year.

We expect to have some information relative to the early years of the Club, its organization, etc., for the Spring issue of the BREEZE.

To the tune of

DAY AFTER DAY.

Day after day, I'm waitin' patiently,
 Watchin' for the mail to bring
 the BREEZE to me.
 Wantin' the BREEZE, the
 BREEZY BREEZE —
 Cravin' the BREEZE, the
 OMENA BREEZE —
 Bringin' the news to me.
 And when it comes I read it carefully,
 Every line of every page I love to see.
 Readin' the BREEZE, the
 BREEZY BREEZE —
 Lovin' the BREEZE, the
 OMENA BREEZE —
 Bringin' the news to me.

VENETIAN NIGHT.

The Committee feels that their efforts were amply repaid and that the Club's first Venetian Night will go down in Club history as one of the significant steps toward making the Yacht Club a place for members to enjoy the various activities, not only as participants, but also as spectators.

Our first experience in conducting such an event has pointed up several ways in which we can improve the spectacle. From the technical standpoint, we realize that we need more spot lights to illuminate the boats so that they may be more clearly seen by the spectators. Having the lights on the porch turned off helps also and the committee will give more careful thought to the whole electrical planning to make next year's event more enjoyable.

It has also been pointed out that we need more lights at the end of the dock and on the buoy in order to assist the power boats which tow the floats.

Someone has suggested planning the Venetian Night so as to have it in the full moon, which would mean scheduling the event somewhat earlier in the month.

It might be pointed out that several enthusiastic members were prevented from entering their boats due to the fact that they were leaving the following morning. Also several boats were prevented from entering because of the present inadequate mooring facilities.

The Committee wishes to express its gratitude to all who helped carry out the Venetian Night in any way, giving time and assistance to the participants.

The awarding of the trophies and ribbons for the races was a highlight of the earlier part of the evening and is included in the BREEZE under another heading.

It was suggested that future events be planned so as to start promptly at the announced time. It is understandable how the weather interfered with plans for our first Venetian Night. We didn't even know at 5:30 in the afternoon if we could carry out our plans.

We feel sure that everyone who attended or participated in the event will enthusiastically shout, "MORE AND BIGGER VENETIAN NIGHTS FOR THE O.T.Y.C."

Ignatz sez: Marriage is like getting into a bath tub — by the time you get used to it it ain't so hot.

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What kind of oil do you use in your car, Bill?

Oh, I usually start out by telling 'em how lonely I am.

Gleaned from the Press: "THE NAME'S THE SAME".

The Detroit News: FBI to Aid Hunt for Pike Slayer.

Grosse Pointe Press: Mrs. White Heads Minister's Wives' Association.

T.V. News Program: Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Chicago Entertain King and Queen of Greece.

THE OMENA-TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB BREEZE

OMENA, MICHIGAN

Editor Humphrey C. Jackson

Reporters Horace Wheeler

Mary Helen Ayars

Other articles are signed by the
contributing members.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The first part of the meeting was devoted to the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting. This resulted in a discussion about the time for issuing membership cards. It was pointed out that those traveling in the winter would like to have their membership cards for the new year issued around January first. The Treasurer will send statements to those who wish to have their membership cards at this date.

After the Treasurer's report was accepted, Commodore Hill summarized the activities of the various committees during the past year, praising the accomplishments of the Buildings and Grounds Committee headed by Vice-Commodore George Smith. The Racing Committee received praise for its fine job this past summer, headed by Crammy Finn Sr. Many others were given praise for their active interest in the Club.

It was decided to have a Historical Committee, whose job it would be to prepare a history of the Club. In this way a definite record of the activities of the members and the Club could be kept. Hazel Taylor was appointed Chairman of this committee and Ben Foltz and Crammy Finn Sr., were asked to serve on this committee.

It was reported that the DOCK FUND to match the gift of \$500 from Joe Alcorn was over-subscribed. It was decided to place the amount of over-subscription in the general fund.

By-Law No. 9 was amended to read:

"No business may be transacted at a meeting of the Board of Directors without a quorum. A quorum shall consist of five Directors".

It was moved to send an expression of thanks to Joe Alcorn for his generous gift of \$500 for dock improvement. It was also proposed to send a letter of thanks from the membership to Mr. and Mrs. Hector Carmichael for the additional lots given to the Club this past year.

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers for the coming year:

Commodore, Paul G. Hill

Vice-Commodore, George S. Smith

Rear-Commodore, Humphrey Jackson

Secretary, Gwendolyn Pike

Treasurer, Stewart V. Ayars.

After the slate was accepted unanimously, the meeting was adjourned. Following the annual meeting a delightful program of movies was given by Walter Hastings, former official photographer for the State Conservation Department.

EVENING IN PARIS.

The EVENING IN PARIS party held in August was one of the gala special affairs enjoyed by Club members this past season. The committee met at Helen Smith's and planned to carry out the theme, fortified with French Dictionaries, History of Architecture books and the experiences of members who have recently visited Paris.

Accordingly, a hurried trip to Traverse City for materials to decorate the Club house with murals of famous Parisian buildings, monuments, and boulevards, followed by a day of enthusiastic sketching, painting and construction work resulted in completely changing the interior into what seemed to be a series of sidewalk cafes. Featured on the one wall were a bake shop and a pet shop, in the windows of which could be seen bread, cakes, cookies and various pets, including the dog with the waggly tail.

Another vista showed Notre Dame cathedral with the book stalls in the foreground and the Seine River in the background. Still another panel showed the Arc d'Triumph, another the famous Opera House, The Madelone, St. Etienne's, The Pantheon, and other famous buildings visited by tourists in their visits to Paris.

Signs indicating famous streets were here and there, as were several "moderne" paintings by famous artists. Clever cocktail napkins portraying American "infamous interpretations" of French Cliches decorated the walls in the entry. The awnings built out into the room over the windows and the beach umbrellas added a realistic touch.

After a Grand March to the "Marseilles", the evening got off to one of much fun for all. Many of those attending dressed appropriately as native Parisians. Mrs. White, as a flower girl, sold charming corsages, which were made by Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Pike. Dr. Pike, as a French chef, sold his specially barbequed frankfurters along the boulevard.

Since the affair was to represent on international convention of actors, writers, artists and musicians in Paris, many came impersonating famous names in these professions. Notable were Mrs. Milroy, who impersonated Zsa-Zsa Gabor, and sang a French street song. Gwendolyn Pike as the famous "Antoinette", sang several numbers, including, "Where Is Your Heart", from "Moulin Rouge", and "Allez-vous En". Gowned in black lace with a long cigarette holder and her charming manner, she captivated everyone with her lovely voice. Marilee Milroy gave several interpretive dances, and the famous Actors Guild presented a skit entitled, "Mon Petite Chow", the leading characters of which were Marjorie Hill as the American widow, Martha Rule Smith as Marie, her American companion, Stewart Ayars as Henri, Rat Smith as Fifi, the Can-can

girl, David Jackson as the garcon. The reading of the parts by candlelight created a hilarious round of fun, and the final exit of Fifi with Henri climaxing the skit.

In one corner, Mrs. Blanch Clark told fortunes. Theme music of "I'll Be Seeing You" by Tommy Dorsey, and "An American in Paris" by David Rose and his orchestra, filling in between the entertainment, while those at the tables entered the ART CONTEST, which was judged by Paul Hill, Nancy Jo Wheeler and Eva Bauer. The evening rollicked along in great shape.

Everyone was astonished by the speedy planning and execution of the party, but those who worked on various committees know that the wholehearted enthusiasm of everyone asked to assist was the real reason for the party's success. The Evening in Paris party now remains a fond memory for all who attended.

FROM LETTERS OF MEMBERS.

From Lestra Saxton. Sept. 21, 1953. The leaves haven't yet turned, everything is just as green as in the Spring. Just a few Summer residents left in Omena, the Feeleys and Fletts. The Norman Johannings have bought the little log cabin near to me and are fixing it up. Bob and Jane were in Omena over Labor Day, as was Sabra.

From May Griffin — May I compliment the committee on the charming decorations of the Yacht Club for the Evening in Paris Party.

From Joe Alcorn — Final Board meeting voted to put new roof on Club House, improve docks, and several minor matters. Racing Committee was given authority to buy trophies for next year's racing.

From Marjory Hill — We were very pleased with the racing this year and hope to have our lightnings back next year and plan for a regatta, also a race or two with the Old Mission Penguin Fleet.

Hope boat owners will be thinking this winter about our Venetian Night as I felt our first attempt was wonderful considering all the difficulties we encountered. We will try to plan it for an earlier date when the moon is full.

From Stewart Ayars — It has taken me over a month in which to find time to go over the enclosed membership list and make corrections, which I have been very happy to do. This will show that we have a nominal membership of regulars and juniors of 137, with a voting membership of only 78 and a non-voting junior membership of 13. George and Helen Smith were in Omena last week-end (Oct. 1) and report that the roof is being put on the Club House.

From Robert Morse — I certainly enjoyed my short time at Omena this summer, and hope it can be longer next summer, especially with our new cottage.

From Earl V. Moore — "We expect to have another member of the family up in Omena for a portion of the summer next year. Our oldest son, Dr. Vincent Moore, a member of the medical faculty at U. C. L. A., is to plan his vacation so that he and his wife and three children can spend three weeks or a month with us".

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TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1953, To October 31, 1953.

Jan. 1, 1953, Cash on Hand	592.64
Income:	
Dues and Initiation Fees	942.50
Special Benefit Parties	519.74
Dock Contribution	1,000.00
Other Contributions	279.00
Snack Bar:	
Soft Drinks (net)	30.32
Club Stationery	14.00
Fudge	31.00
Breeze Subscriptions	128.00
Maps	24.00
	2,968.56
	3,561.20

Expenses:

Lake Michigan Yachting Assn., ..	15.00
Committee Boat	100.00
Screens and Ping Pong Tables ..	111.42
Flood Light	4.30
New Roof	861.71
Repair Porch.	177.69
Maint., Grounds and Equip.	221.69
Trophy Awards	31.75
Telephone and Electricity	44.85
Supplies and Postage	14.92
Club Stationery	35.34
Breeze — Printing and Postage ..	60.06
Insurance	211.52
Corp. and Recording Fees	3.25
	1,893.50
Oct. 31, 1953, Cash on Hand	1,667.70
	3,561.20

Respectfully submitted,

Stewart V. Ayars,
Treasurer, O. T. Y. C.**CARD PARTY AND AUCTION.**

One of the evenings of fun at the Club which is an annual event sponsored by the Neuman sisters, has been the Card Party and Auction. Each year this event takes on an importance to the Club of adding to the income so that the Club may function and carry on an enriched program of activities which otherwise would not be possible. This party, the past season, was in every way a huge success again as \$65 worth of tickets were sold, and \$119.00 was brought in from the auction sale, making in all a total of \$184.00.

Although the crowd seemed small, those who were able to attend enjoyed the evening and were entertained by the splendid chanting of the auctioneer, George Smith. His persuasive chatter kept the bidders vying for the various objects offered, and although not all the offerings were bid to their value, nevertheless the sum realized from the evening's event made it a very profitable party, and one to be long remembered.

REVISION**In Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws**

Article VIII — Paragraph 1 Revised in 1950 to read as follows: Officers shall be known as Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer.

Paragraph 2 Revised to read: There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the corporation's five officers and five directors at large. (1953).

Article IX — (1950) "Election of new members" stricken from this paragraph.

Second Paragraph revised to read: The second Thursday in August shall be the annual meeting.

By-Law 6. Amended in 1950. Delete paragraph (b).

By-Law 8. Amended in 1950. Last line shall read: "membership shall be terminated at the discretion of the Board".

Revision 1952: Initiation fee shall be \$25.00 plus dues of \$10.00.

By-Law 9. Amended in 1953: A quorum shall consist of five directors.

By-Law 10. Following paragraph added: (1950). "The duty of the Rear Commodore shall be to call and preside at meetings of the corporation and Board of Directors in the absence or disability of the Commodore and Vice-Commodore".

By-Law 12. Amended in 1950, the following paragraph added: "Unmarried children of members over 14 years of age may become junior members without payment of initiation fee. Junior membership annual dues shall be five dollars (\$5.00) subject to all regulations and entitled to the full privileges of this Club except that of voting. Two junior memberships shall be sufficient for any one family".

By-Law 13. Added in 1950. Officers shall take office September 15th and hold office for a period of one year.

THE BINGO PARTY.

Certainly no other Club can say they offer such a variety of ways of enjoying an evening of fun, rich in personal friendly games and at the same time profitable to the Club. This year the annual Bingo Party, sponsored by Lestra Saxton, again demonstrated that members loyally support all of the Club's activities. Proceeds from the party came to about \$120.00.

The prizes were large ash trays with Coronation Emblems in the middle. Everyone seemed to like them although the evening started out rather slowly because of poor weather, suddenly more and more people arrived and the evening turned out to be a huge success. George Smith helped call the numbers, and as usual, was very helpful.

**ACTIVITIES — DUES
GENERAL FUND.**

The Board of Directors decided that the annual dues should be a nominal amount thereby avoiding certain government taxes and complicating the bookkeeping. This was a wise decision you will agree. However, in order to make up for the low annual dues, it is necessary to finance activities by additional charges for admission. This amount too, is small when compared with prices usually charged for an evening of entertainment. It is by means of the CARD PARTY and BINGO PARTY that additional revenue is brought into the general fund.

The expenses of the Club include utilities, insurance, repairs, and many other smaller items. It is felt that the special events such as the EVENING IN PARIS PARTY should be self supporting. Therefore a small admission price is charged. The money brought in from this admission charge pays for decorations, refreshments, prizes, and props needed to put the party across. If we are to have good parties, we must be willing to pay the price, and I'm sure everyone feels that the price is well worth the fun to be enjoyed by those attending.

The cost of putting on the Evening in Paris Party was well over \$30, out of which the numerous items for decorations, records for appropriate background music, etc., was secured. It is the tinsel, the spectacular, the unusual and the unexpected which piques our curiosity and renders us that certain something which adds up to an enjoyable evening.

Did you ever stop to realize that in planning a party for our membership and to make it have appeal and entertainment value for all ages is a challenging problem?

We are an unusual collection of people from all over the United States who gather together during the summer months to enjoy the Leelanau scenery and the pleasant companionship of friends in a relaxing atmosphere and congenial central meeting place, our own O. T. Y. C. Nothing can take the place of our Wednesday evening pot-luck suppers. What is there to replace the special events sponsored by the Club for Saturday nights? Think of the fun and excitement of working on the decorations for a party. I would wager that the fun of the preparation is in many instances greater than the actual party itself.

The purpose of this editorial is to stimulate your own thinking so that even though you do not agree 100% with what goes on, you will, as a loyal Club member, get behind the committees who dream up the special events and participate in any way possible. Most of us do just that and it is this enthusiastic response which makes a party a success or a failure.

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