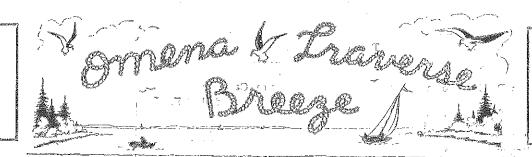
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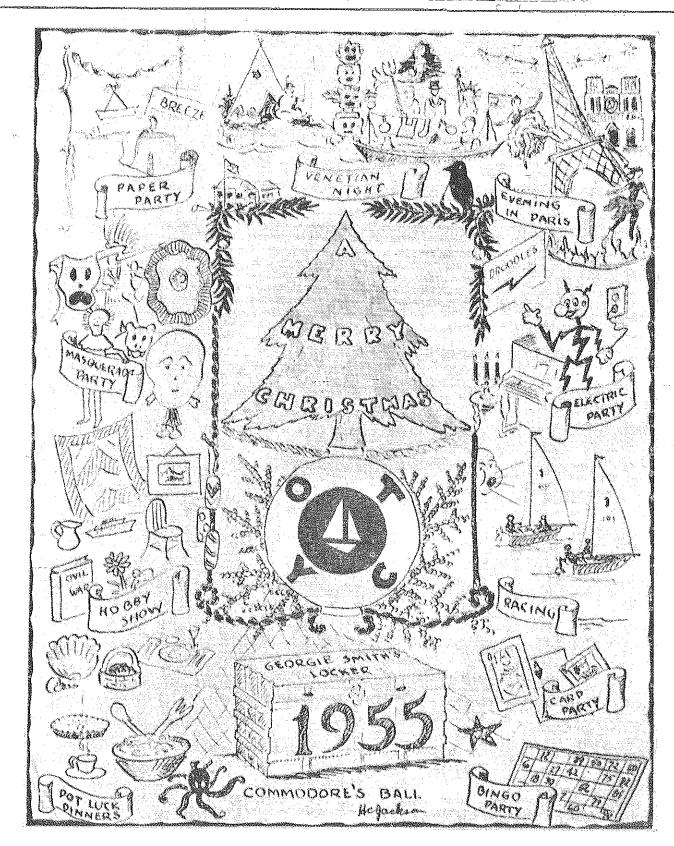
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### OMENA CHURCH SCENE OF BEAUTIFUL WEDDINGS.

At four o'clock Saturday afternoon, August 27, in the centry-old Presbyterian Church of Omena, Miss Patricia Bormuth became the bride of James Crampton Finn Jr. The bride, the daughter of Mrs. Amy C. Bormuth of North Manchester, Indiana, was gowned in white embroidered organdy. Bridesmaids wore pink matching gowns and carried matching corsages of gladioli and ivy.

Mr. Finn was his son's best man, and ushers relatives from Detroit. Dr. Howard R. Towne, Pastor of the First Congregational Church of Traverse City, performed the ceremony before an altar of cedar, white gladioli and white tapers.

The reception was held at the Finns' home on Strawberry Hill for 70 guests. Mrs. Homer Fouts, Mrs. Horace Wheeler and Mrs. Ben Foltz assisted at the reception. A rehearsal dinner on Friday evening was given by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Foltz at their Omena home with 25 guests present.

After a short wedding trip the couple returned to California where the groom has a teaching fellowship and is working on his Ph. D., at the University of California. The bride is a graduate of Purdue University, and the groom obtained his B. S. and M. S. degrees from Michigan State University.

The Presbyterian Mission Church of O-mena, banked with white chrysanthemums, candalabra and evergreens, was the scene of the wedding, September 10 at 4:30 in the afternoon, of Miss Jane Jordan Basler, daughter of Mrs. Carl E. Basler of Cincinnati, Ohio, to Dr. Robert E. Newland, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Newland of Bedford, Indiana.

The bride, escorted by her grandfather, Mr. E. A. Jordan, wore a ballerina-length gown of white Alencon lace, a small pearl crown headdress with satin streamers and carried a bouquet of white orchids and smilax.

Mrs. James H. Fairbank of San Juan, Puerto Rico, sister of the bride, was the only attendant. She wore a gown of powder blue Alencon lace with a feathered hat of matching blue and carried white orchids tipped in purple.

The ceremony was performed by the Reverend Donn Doten of Traverse C.ty. The wedding was followed by a reception held at the Park Place Hotel in Traverse City.

Dr. and Mrs. Newland are now at home at Maple Terrace, Peninsula Drive in Traverse City, following a honeymoon in Montreal.



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## NEWS ABOUT MEMBERS.

The George Smith's are now permanent residents at Omena.

Bob Saxton is interning at Duke University, Durham, South Carolina.

Sabra Saxton is now a full fledged nurse.

Sue Barker is hoping to enter college for the second semester this year.

Penny Heidrick has sold her Cincinnati home.

Marjerie and Andy Renz drove to the University of Alabama to see Holly and Bill in October. Bill and Holly spent an extra-curricular week-end in New Orleans. Marjorie spent 5 days in New York during which time she saw five Broadway shows and had a wonderful time.

Jane and Humphrey Jackson spent the week-end of October 21 in Omena.

The Omena Saturday Night crowd has been increased this year by Hazel Taylor and the George Smiths. November 5th found the gang at Strawberry Hill, and November 12th at the Hendryx's, where a wild duck dinner was served with trimm'ngs. While the gals go to concerts in Traverse City Wednesday evenings. the boys get together for cards or what have you. You see they seldom have a dull moment during the winter season.



#### 50th ANNIVERSARY.

Coulter and Marguerite Rule celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary November 5th with a reception at the Cincinnati Weman's Club.

Out of town arrivals were Mr. and Mrs. Casper Wickemeyer from Western Springs, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Landon Robinson of Lansing, Michigan, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoyle Hodgson of New York, Mrs. William Cromartie of Chapel Hill, N. C., Dr. and Mrs. Julius Hessel from Eugene, Oregon, and Dr. Colter Rule Jr., with his three children.

Cincinnati daughters and sons-in-law joining the party were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Forbes Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wesley Huss.

Mrs. W.lliam Mason of Memphis, Tenn., formerly of Cincinnati, who was the matron of honor at the wedding 50 years ago, arrived to help celebrate the anniversary.

Other out of town guests were Mr. Ray Greenlesse of Grand Rapids, Mich., Mr. and Mrs. Fremont Fisher of Racine, Wis., and Mrs. Robert Fisher of Detroit.



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## CLUB PUBLICATION.

Bit by bit, the history of the Omena Traverse Yacht Club is being pleced together. It is the hope of the editor and Board of Directors that we may be able to print an official directory which would include a picture of each member, and the cottage owned by each family together with a brief sketch of its history.

It is the hope of the Board to include a history of the Club House and the activities of the Club since its organization in 1948. If we start to prepare for this directory now, it should be ready for publication in 1958, which would mark the 10th year of its organization.

How many of you know how the BREEZE got its name? You will be interested to know that our printer, K. Gus Smarey, suggested the name BREEZE when Gus Rogers brought him the first copy when the Club was just organized. K. Gus Smarey has printed all the copies of the BREEZE except for the December 1950 and May 1951 issues.

Like all young publications, at first it was difficult to get enough copy to fill the four page paper. However, with ensuing years and more experience, it has sometimes been necessary to be rather selective when assembling copy to be included, as frequently we have too much to fill the pages. At first, members were skeptical as to its worth, but now, that the BREEZE has become an established publication, members are happy to subscribe, and lately we have had 100% support.

Advertising was at first difficult to get. At the present time our advertisers are glad to continue with us and you may have noticed that we have more advertisers at the present time.

Members often comment upon the "Paper Party" which was given to raise money to put the BREEZE on its feet back in 1951. It is good to be able to report that the BREEZE is self-supporting and has been ever since 1951.

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#### JUNIOR MEMBERSHIPS, 1955.

- 1. CRAMPTON, Stuart.
- 2. ENGLISH, Joan
- 3. FARRELL, Jack
- 4. FISHER, Robin.
- 5. HILL, Patricia.
- 6. JACKSON, David. A STATE OF THE STATE OF
- 7. LYON. Betsy.
- 8, MILROY, Marilee.
- 9. PIKE, Judy.
- 10. SAXTON, Sabra, Nurses Residence, Reid Memorial Hospital, Richmond, Ind.
- 11. SMILEY, Charlotte E.
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#### VENETIAN NIGHT.

The combination of Stunt Night with Venetian Night provided a real evening's entertainment and seemed to work out quite nicely.

As usual, there was much secrecy regarding the entries for Venetian Night. On the surface, one would have not guessed that actually a lot of planning and work are being put on the preparation of the entries.

The weather kept everyone guessing again, as quite a stiff breeze seemed to come up during the afternoon. However, preparations went right on and everyone hoped that by dusk the water would be more calm.

As the evening came on more and more activity seemed to precede the climax of getting the boats assembled and fastened to the towing boats. Bill Renz worked feverishly to assist the final assembly of the entries. After darkness arrived, the spectators were treated to the sight of a variety of boats decorated cleverly as usual,

The Club's electrical improvements have resulted in better viewing for the spectators. Many stood on the dock, but many more were seated on the verandas and all could see and enjoy the boats very nicely.

The Renz cruiser was decorated to represent the U.S. Battleship MISSOURI and towed the Jackson Penguin which was decorated as an INDIAN TEPEE. Dave Jackson and Eddy Lyon attired as "Redskins" held red flares to light up the decorations. The Lyon Penguin carried a giant TOTEM POLE and was manned by Margy and Betsy Lyon in Indian costume. The Ayars Penguin carried a model of the CLUB HOUSE lighted very nicely. The Smith Penguin carried a large PENGUIN symbol of the racing participated in our Penguin fleet.

Hattie and Dale Underwood rigged up a TRAMP STEAMER which carried everything but the kitchen sink and was awarded a tie for first along with the Renz MISSOURI.

Out of the darkness came a floating island complete with INDIAN TEPEE and Lestra Saxton smoking a peace pipe beside a fire in front of it, towed by Norm Johanning. Lestra tied for second place with the DeVore's entry which represented the UNITED NATIONS, carrying the Statue of Liberty, Uncle Sam and natives of member nations aboard.

Third place was tied by Mary Helen Ayars "CLUB HOUSE" and Rat Smith's "PENGUIN".

Everyone wondered who the MERMAID on the Rule entry was. We didn't find out until long after Venetian Night.

The boats were cleverly decorated and much praise was heard from spectators. The fun of participating in a Club event whether as a spectator or one of the entries is what makes the O.T.Y.C. a success.

#### STUNT NIGHT.

After the third Venetian Night in the Club's history, the rest of the evening was celebrated by stunts postponed from the week before. First to perform was Eben Barker, who gave several recitations in dialect. The next performance was given by Hariette and Dale Underwood, who played duets on recorders, a flute type instrument of medieval times, which is having a revival in the East, Gwen and Melvin Pike gave a charming exhibition of some of the popular dances now in vogue on the dance floor. Their smooth dancing proved without doubt that having been selected as regional champions in the Saginaw area, they earned the right to represent this group at the State dancing competition,

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#### MASQUERADE PARTY.

Mardi Gras and Hallowe'en have nothing on the Masquerade Parties given by the O.T.Y.C. Fantastic, grotesque, humorous, bizarre, and authentic historical costumes were to be found parading around the Clubhouse, curtsying and bowing, nodding and staring at one another.

The Wagner Trio in pajamas made "Time To Retire" with candle, clock and old tire. The Ayars family wore uproarious costumes of other years combined with comic masks, Mary Helen wearing silver brocade that scarcely reached the knee from her mother's trousseau. Abby Mockbee made a distinguished Statue of Liberty. Eddy Lyon attired as Master of Ceremonies of the Circus was attired in high silk topper, tails and makeup included the handle-bar moustache and whip. Milly Alcorn came as a Ghost, and Harriette White wore a long-waisted dress of the Gay Twenties.

Prizes went to Jane Basler and Beh Newland dressed as grotesque beings with enlarged heads and dwarfed bodies which were out of this world. Costumes were designed by Betty Basler Fairbank. Second prize was won by Halbert White, who wore his Hawaiian beach shirt and shorts - very short - over long underwear. Third prize went to Eben Barker, who came as an authoritative Indian Chief, with a great bearskin robe. A handsome squaw and various entertainers accompanied him.

Other members were attired as follows: Commodore Smith as Aunt Jemima: Helen Smith coverall suit, paper sack over head with holes for eyes; Carolin Smith as a Spanish senorita; Marge and Betsy Lyon as Spanish pirates; Agnes Barker as Pocahontas; Joe Alcorn as a Turkish woman with veil over face and a mop for hair; Stewart and Ruth Ayars in bathing suits of the '90's and 1915 respectively.

This is the third Costume Party the Club has had. Perhaps you can remember the "Turn About Party" in 1949 and the Mardi Gras Party in 1951,

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### THE OMENA-TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB BREEZE OMENA, MICHIGAN



ANNUAL MEETING - AUG. 25, 1955.

The Annual Meeting of the Omena Traverse Yacht Club for the year 1955, was called to order by the Commodore at the Club House. The Treasurer gave a brief report, estimating that the balance on hand was about \$3,100.00. The Secretary's report was read, and then the Commodore called for new business.

Commodore Smith reported that it was the recommendation of the Board of Directors that we fix the windows of the Club House and make other minor repairs, before doing anything more about docking facilities .

It was then moved by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mr. Weiss, and carried, that the Board allocate funds to the House Committee to fix and make workable the windows of the Club.

There were several proposals made at the meeting as follows:

- 1. That we raise the initiation fee to \$100.00, recommended by the Board.
- 2. That we limit membership, recommended by Mr. Finn.
- 3. That we raise the dues to \$50.00 or more if necessary, recommended by Mr. Weiss.
- 4. That we make Junior Memberships a must at the age of 14, and Regular Memberships a must at the age of 21 or when married, recommended by the Board.
- 5. That we make an addition to the dock, so that we can handle more boats, recommended by the Board.

Mrs. Renz suggested that there might be a voluntary donation of ten dollars (\$10,00), by each member at the beginning of the season so that we could have more money without raising the dues. Mrs. Feely supported this and suggested that if a letter were sent, requesting this donation and including an addressed envelope, donations would come in much quicker.

It was suggested by Mr. Foltz that the House Committee should get estimates on installing fans and let the Board of Directors make the decision as to whether it was practical.

Mrs. Gleason suggested that the Board submit a five year financial plan to the membership for approval, and further that the Board study and have ready this plan for a Special Meeting in July.

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Mrs. DeVore then thanked all the members of her committee who have worked so hard this year to make our Club a success.

Mr. Flett then gave the report of the Nominating Committee which was as fol-

Commodore, George Smith,
Vice Commodore, Humphrey Jackson,
Rear Commodore, Joe Alcorn,
Secretary, Marilyn Flett,
Treasurer, Stewart Ayars,
Directors at Large, Mrs. Carmichael,
Mrs. Foltz, Mr. Wheeler,
Mr. Finn, Mrs. Renz.

It was moved by Mr. DeVore, seconded by Mrs. Reed, and unanimously carried that the nominations be accepted.

Mr. DeVore moved that all actions of the Board taken during the year be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Flett, and carried.

Bill Renz was appointed as Committee of One to make up a registry of all power boats owned by Club members, so that we might possibly acquire a marine gas supply in Omena.

It was moved by Mr. Johanning, seconded by Mrs. Reed, that we adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Flett, Secretary.



Gus and Esther Rogers.



### THE COMMODORE'S BALL.

One of the high lights of the summer at the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club is the COMMODORE'S BALL. This year the Ball was a huge success for two reasons; first the careful planning of the committee who produced a clever transformation of the Club into an under sea motif complete with Georgie Smith's Locker at the entrance, and second, because the weather turned out to be comfortably cool and delightful.

Upon entering the Club, the blue lights

cast an eerie magic of soft mystery around the room, where the entire ceiling was draped with huge fish net in which were caught many strange animals, including a life-sized mermaid. The phosphorescent paint on these sea animals glowed in the half-light and presented grotesque appearances that caused many comments and much laughter.

But no, what are these, strange to see but humorous to look at, the Octopi squatting on each table that surrounded the dance floor. The candle light on the table made the eyes of the Octopi sad and sometimes curious, yet playful and creepy. We never realized that talented members of the Club could turn their hands to the creating of such creatures with such convincing success.

The lively music of the trio teased first one, then two or three more couples onto the dance floor. Soon the walls were echoing to the gliding rhythm of dancing couples who certainly enjoyed every moment of it.

The tables seemed to fill up quickly as more and more members arrived with their parties. Soon refreshments were brought on, potato chips, pretzel sticks and lemonade.

Marjorie and Andy Renze with Harold and Etta Sebold, May Griffin and Stella Newman, Tom and Martha Smith, John and Nancy Jo Kohlberg, Perc Smith and Sherry Milroy, Dave Jackson and Holly Renz, Bill Renz and Rat Smith, Mary Helen Ayars and Scott Bridge, Linda Johanning and Jack Harrington, Mona Johanning and her guest were soon seen dancing by or laughing at tables around the room.

The Fletts, Slonickers, Johannings, Underwoods, Rules, Foltzes, Harringtons, Jacksons, were spotted, as were Leona Milroy, Lestra Saxton, George Anderson and his guest, Gus and Esther Rogers, Mrs. White, the DeVores, Fred Schaefer and many more enjoyed the evening at the Ball.

One of the events of the evening was the awarding of the Racing Trophies. The Sportmanship Trophy went to Margy Lyon this year. First race of the year award went to Carolyn Smith. The First Place for the Penguin Racing went to Mary Helen Ayars: second place Penguin award to Carolin Smith; third place Penguin award to Margy Lyon. First Place Lightning Trophy was wen by Dr. Carl Wagner. The Schaffer Trophy was shared by Mary Helen Ayars and Dr. Carl Wagner.

Another big event of the Ball was the Grand March which was led by Commodore George and Helen Smith, followed by Past Commodore Dave DeVore and daughter Jo Ann, Past Commodore Gus Rogers and Esther, then Humphrey and Jane Jackson and Stewart and Ruth Ayars.

The young in heart and spry of limb enjoyed the Bunny Hop during the evening of fun and everyone seems to have felt that although the season was difficult because of the heat, the wind-up was a glorious and happy event long to be remembered.

#### THE HOBBY SHOW.

"No showing in New York, Cincinnati, or Kansas City, could have been of better quality for its size", quoted Ex-Commodore Dave DeVore. We heartily agree and thank all participants whose artistry of arrangements was delightful.

A striking background was formed by six fine quilts, fastened to the stage curtain and draped in front. These were brought by Ruth Ayars, who also showed African violets. Blanche Clark, Lestra Saxton, Marie Lou Basler, Mary Foltz and Harriette White's heirlooms were over a hundred years old.

Ruth DeVore contributed rare Sandwich Glass candlesticks to complete a place-setting of handsome china 125 years old. Very unusual wooden dishes from Haiti with an exotic centerpiece of fruit, including hen fruit and eggplant, were arranged by Marie Lou Basler. Her daughter Betty's eight large watercolors of neighboring scenes on the four "wide open spaces" of the Club walls were a triumph of talent in that difficult medium. One lovely oil by Lestra Saxton took the place of music on the piano, while from above looked down that priceless classic cartoon of our Commodore's family. Emily Smith chose one of her many paintings and brought two beautiful bouquets, two fields in which she excells. Eva Bauer centered her outstanding display of handweaving with an excellent portrait of her sister Vida Bennett, whose comprehensive shell collection was well represented.

Fascinating old glass and china were brought from her Log Cabin by Norma Johanning. Exquisite pieces were chosen from Kitty Smith's antique glass dishes and ornaments and shown on Alencon

On a handsome Paisley shawl were heirloom Ironstone china, and above hung a needlepoint picture made by the Great Aunt of Marie Louise Gleason. Her young son David had a remarkable display of boats, some made by him.

All of the Abbott family showed "creations" from Pop's "nude" and ship models to preserved cherries and shell necklaces by the intermediate and very young members.

The Andrews displayed an excellent assortment of many kinds of pitchers. Miss Heitzman sent her wildflower books complemented by an interesting bouquet of berries and evergreen, and Mary Foltz's distinctive driftwood and flower combi-

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nations.

Gwen Pike brightened one table with her gorgeous begonias. On this table were Florence Wheeler's old pewter pieces, a clever set of graduated size pewter mugs backed by a rug hooked by Janet Sloniker. Mark Sloniker brought a painting and a quaint wooden bench, his own make. Wooden work was also the hobby chosen by his resourceful neighbor Ray Flett with a small model of the famous "Sassy" and a totem pole among other novelties.

Three extra-extraordinary exhibits in size and quality were the trunkful of oriental fabrics of Hazel Taylor, some of unbelievable delicacy with fine embroidery and exquisite drawn-work such as will never be duplicated in this changing world.

Preston Smith completed a remarkable picture as he sat with pipe in mouth at a big table covered with a lace-edged silk and satin crazy-quilt holding about fifty of his rare books on the Civil War and lit by antique kerosene lamps. Eben Barker with Edith Heidrick and Jean Mc-Lean had a large collection of museum type Indian Handicraft of Wampum and Dolls.

Jessie Carmichael surprised us with a variety of her own accomplishment, handpainted china, embroidered linen, a needlepoint footstool - one might even call her pretty wax plant her own make,

Gretchen Wagner had a string of decorated floats hanging on a door. My twenty-four baskets from many lands, including Omena, made 28 exhibits in all.

What shall we have next summer, "Art and Antiques". "Trash and Treasures"? Your Committee would like to Harriette White. know.

### HISTORICAL NOTES.

In 1908 the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club was financed and built by Louis and Frank Anderson, The contractor was Mr. Ralph Hunter, who also built all of Mr. Santos cottages now owned by the Carmichaels.

The Pavilion, as it was called in those days, was operated for private parties. Frank Anderson did the catering service. Frank used to play the piano and Dwight Harwood, now the athletic director at Hillsdale College, played the violin for dancing. There were card tables around the dance floor.

An ice cream parlor was operated by Frank Anderson next door to Ernie Barth's Cash Store.

People used to walk on the sidewalk along the shore in front of the Pavilion. This sidewalk extended to the tip of the Point.

Lake boats from Traverse City and Chicago stopped at the Club dock and at the Omena dock.

The Leelanau Hotel was located on what is now George Smith's property. This was owned by Mr. Voight and Judge Goeble of Cincinnati.

On the Point, the Omena Inn. built around 1900 by Mr. Dewey burned in the Fall of 1906.

Mr. Hibbard of Grand Rapids built the Saxton cottage. Mrs. Saxton and Mrs. Comstock were sisters.

The buildings on the hill were the original Presbyterian Mission school.

Horace Wheeler is the nephew of Leonard and Rhoda Wheeler, who built the Sunset Lodge. One of Frank Anderson's first jobs was waiting table at Sunset Lodge. Leonard was a horse fancier and had several teams of horses and used to take groups on hay rides. They used the surrey with a fringe on top to drive to the Congregational Church which is on the hill back of Ed. Egeler's place at Omena Inn.

Wilbur Sutcliffe bought the church and remodeled it into a dwelling and then sold it to the Inn.

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Jan. 1, 1955 to Oct. 31, 1955. Jan. 1, 1955, Cash On Hand ........ 1,152,57

Electric Wiring Reserve ...... 212.11 RECEIPTS: Initiation Fees ...... 360..00 Regular Dues ...... 960.00 Junior Dues ...... 65.00 Filing Case Donation ...... 25.00 Table Donation ...... 53,45 Miscellaneous Donations ....... 14.48 Special Benefit Parties ...... 406,35

Snack Bar - Soft Drinks(net) 26.60 Club Stationery ...... 20.00 Fudge ...... 5.75 BREEZE Subscriptions ...... 182,00 Advertising 18.00 Telephone Tolls ......4:50 Burgees ...... 30,00

Club Buttons ...... 24,00

Excise Taxes ..... 105,00 2,332,13 3,696.81

#### EXPENSES:

Lake Mich. Yachting Assn., .... 15,00 Tables ...... 106.90 Electric Range ...... 172.99 Maintenance - Grounds ...... 40,39 Buildings ...... 274,60 Electric Wiring(Reserve) .. 156.50 Equipment ...... 66,18 Trophies ..... 50,78 Telephone and Electricity ..... 68,51 Postage and Supplies ...... 13.50 BREEZE ..... 43.41 Corporation Fee ...... 2,00 Club Buttons ...... 52.61 Patrol Service ...... 10,00 Excise Taxes (Sept. 30) ...... 95.00

October 31, 1955, Cash On Hand 1,689.78 Electric Wiring Reserve ...... 55,61 Filing Case Reserve ...... 25,00 3,696,81

> Respectfully submitted, Stewart V. Ayars, Treasurer.