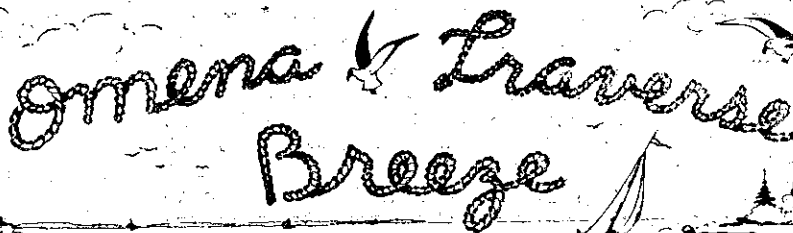


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SHOOTIN' TH' BREEZE 'BOUT MEMBERS.

Marjorie Renz is looking forward to a summer of rest at Omena. Having submitted to surgery, she feels the need of complete rest and says that it will be impossible for her to be active on Club committees. We are sorry to lose Marjorie even for one summer, but hope that she recovers rapidly and completely. The Renz plan to be in Omena in early June, then back to Cincinnati for the opening of the Summer Opera. They will return to Omena for the 4th of July.

Dr. and Mrs. Hines will occupy the Echowood cottage of the Jacksons from July 9 to August 17. The Hines are friends of the Renz and have 3 teen-age daughters and a daughter going on 2.

Holly Renz was initiated into Chi Delta Phi sorority, a national literary sorority.

Clemewell Lay plans to arrive in Omena about July 10. The Keyes will be in the Lay cottage in June and the first week of July. Miss Anne Wellington will visit with Clemewell part of the summer. Other guests of Clemewell will be Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hinchliff of Clearwater, Florida. Spring vacation found Clemewell off to New York City for theater and concerts.

Kitty Smith writes that she has had a busy winter entertaining friends at luncheons, style shows and cocktail parties with a dinner or two thrown in for good measure. She speaks of having seen the Barkers, and of Eben's attractive jewelry and gift shop right on the ocean. The Weiss' were in Delray for a month and drove with Kitty to Palm Beach. Also, the Frank Fishers and Waldo and Emily Abbott visited for two weeks. Kitty expects to leave Ft. Lauderdale around May 12 to motor to Omena, arriving around May 17th.

May Griffin writes that she and Stella are returning to Omena in early June. She seems excited about the Northport Hospital being completed and about the black-top road around the Point. May wonders about the postal service in Omena and laments the closing of Kimmerly's store. She says Ernie Barth will be the "Atlantic and Pacific" of Omena. May was interested to hear of Keith Brown's marriage as she said she watched him grow up to manhood from a small boy. Stella seems to be holding her own and is also looking forward to Omena days once again.

Lestra Saxton says that Sábá is at Munson Hospital in Traverse City and that Dr. Robert Saxton is studying surgery at City

Hospital in Cleveland. Bob has applied for "Flight Surgeon" in the Navy and is now a Lieutenant will probably be called in July. The arrival of daughter to Stuart Towle Saxton on January 2, 1957, is the big news of the Saxton family. Lestra plans to go to Omena as soon as possible. Norm Johanning has been in the hospital having another operation on his back. He is reported as getting along very well. The Robert Mosses are just back from Puerto Rico.

Hazel Taylor writes that her sister Helen will visit her in Omena the latter part of June. Her son Bob and wife Bibsie fly to Europe in April to spend two months with Helen and Bob, her husband, sight-seeing over Europe. Helen's children and grandchildren will occupy the "Pioneer", this summer. Hazel's son Richard and his family have made plans to visit in Omena at the "Hemlocks" for part of the summer. Richard lives in Florida and has been much impressed with our social activities in the frozen northland.

You will be interested to know that Ingalls Bay has a wide beach this year due to the low water in the Lake.

From the Hagemann's . . . "Irma and I took a winter vacation to Mexico during February and March. We flew to Mexico City and met Mr. and Mrs. Dunagan there. They were our guests in Omena last summer. We then drove to Acapulco, a perfectly beautiful spot, with ideal weather". The Hagemann's were delighted to have Mrs. Ernie Clark, of the Omena Clarks, drop in for a visit one weekend. Mr. Clark had just returned from Omena where he visited his mother and sister Hazel Taylor. The Clarks were on their way back to Jacksonville, Florida. The Hagemann cottage will be open as early as possible in May. They are looking forward to the cherry blossoms. Irma plans to be in Omena most of the summer and will have daughter, Mrs. Peter Thexton of Cincinnati and her husband and four children with her for a while, and then a second daughter, Mrs. John Smith of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and her husband and two children. Ken expects to be in Omena over the 4th of July and Labor Day weekend.

"Rat" Smith Renz writes that Mart and Tom's baby, Marian Electra Smith, arrived weighing 8 lb. 15 oz. Rat will act as Cincinnati reporter for the Breeze. The Renz Roost is located at 7074 Glenmeadow Lane, Cincinnati 37, Ohio.

Stewart Ayars received a bill for printing tickets for last year's Turkey Dinner. Gus said: "Ran across this ticket so am

sending statement to cover. Out of sight, out of mind, or in other words, a guy once washed his feet and found a pair of socks he missed for 2 years".

Stewart mailed dues statements for the OTYC in April. Have you paid your dues yet?

The communication from Commodore Smith regarding the petition requesting that the road around Omena Point be blacktopped indicates that George is "on the ball". We anticipate some changes when we arrive in Omena this summer.

Harriette White writes that they stayed in Kansas City this winter playing with Halbert's various doctors, who have put him together very neatly for another summer in our beloved Omena. Harriette plans to arrive June 2, bringing Dolly Shelden as her guest. Other guests at the White cottage will be Lillian and Ken Canatsey, and Hattie and Dale and daughters.

Word has arrived that Nancy Jo and John Kohlberg are planning a European tour.

Harriette White suggests a White-elephant exchange and a party with tacky clothes for special events party this season.

Bitsy Hill and Jim Pendergast are living in Terre Haute, Indiana, where Jim is in business. They have just returned from Daytona Beach, Florida, where they spent 5 weeks. Marjory Hill has returned from a visit and trip in the Southwest, visiting Jack now a practicing doctor of Veterinary Medicine in Santa Fe. The Hills plan to spend part of the summer in Northport.

Melvin and Gwen Pike spent ten days in January at Miami Beach and in New Orleans for another 10 days in February. Both trips were medical seminars for Melvin, but Gwen went along for the fun. Judy Pike is enjoying her Freshman year at the University of Michigan, and has pledged Tri-Delta there. Judy will be leaving for a six week tour of Europe in June. Mrs. Bennett returned from California where she has been visiting her sister, Mrs. M. T. Munn. Mrs. Munn will be her guest at Omena this summer.

Carol and Hutch Allswede are enjoying their new home which they built last summer. They plan to visit in Omena this summer. Carol is working at Dow, and Hutch is finishing college.

Melvin has been in Omena a couple of week-ends recently, starting the work in the greenhouse. The Pikes plan extensive gardening activity this summer.

Waldo Abbott is retiring as director of Broadcasting for the University of Michigan on July 1, and expects to spend 31 days a month for July, August and September at Omena. It's going to be wonderful to be there for the entire summer, says Waldo. He is also extremely interested in the road paving project.

Waldo reports that Fritz Crisler is looking for a cottage in northern Michigan. Does anyone know of any that are available at Ingalls Bay or Omena? The Abbotts plan to be in Omena for the Memorial Day week-end and for the summer about July 1.

The Milroys have been in California since January, spending some time at Palm Springs and Desert Hot Springs. They also were fortunate to be in San Francisco during the Chinese New Year celebration. "The parade was one of the most colorful I have ever seen", says Leona.

The most exciting news at the moment is the announcement of son Emery's engagement to Dorothy Denis of Westwood, California. Announcement was made April 8th at the Los Angeles Athletic Club dinner given in their honor.

Marilee is now a Junior at the University of Southern California, where she is studying journalism. She is pledged to a national journalism sorority and is extremely happy with all her college activities. Marilee plans to work on a newspaper this summer, so perhaps the Breeze may have an assistant editor some day soon.

From Horace Wheeler comes news that the Post Office will continue functioning as always; perhaps improvements will be forthcoming in the near future. Water level is about two feet below normal so some docks are high and dry. It is hoped that the low water level of the Bay has been reached and that slowly but surely it will rise to normal.

After considerable effort of our Commodore to secure blacktopping for the Omena Point road to include Ingalls Bay road, the vote at the Leelanau Township annual meeting in Northport was 8 to 7 against.

Humphrey Jackson was awarded a scholarship to the Institute for Teachers of Junior High School Mathematics being held at State University Teachers College at Oneonta, New York, from July 1 to August 9. Jane plans to join Humphrey in August for a visit to New York, Pennsylvania and Maryland before returning to Omena for the last two weeks of August.

David Jackson is working at the Detroit News T.V. Station WWJ-TV.

The new address of the Humphrey Jacksons' is 19,100 Collinson, East Detroit, Michigan.

Bill and Rat Renz spent a few days in early April in Omena enjoying one of the last snows of the season.

The Gardners entertained some friends this spring in Omena, trying their hand at making maple syrup and seemed thrilled to have made about five quarts.

The Weiss' spent the week-end of April 14 in Omena and are planning to re-

turn as soon as the weather improves.

Ben and Mary Foltz are now great uncle and aunt as Robert Frederick Donohue arrived March 10. The adoring relatives spent a week taking care of him, and as he cried when they left, Mary felt quite flattered.

The Foltz's sold Willowbrook Inn to two Detroit school teachers who are planning to open and have it listed in the AAA Recommended Restaurants and Inns.

Easter week-end found Dr. and Mrs. Lyon and Eddy and Margaret Dyer in Omena. The Dyer cottage is fast nearing completion and will be ready by July 1.

The water level is so low that the Pike dock is almost a dry-dock. The Club dock has had a little damage from ice, as the last two pilings of the ell were pulled about 8 inches. The Yacht Club marker buoys were not taken in last fall and have been moved by the ice this winter and one has gone completely. The other two are in sight after crossing Omena Bay and back. George tried to have them brought in last fall but the fishermen could not raise them.

ROUND THE WORLD TOUR.

An interesting and entertaining party was given on the evening of Saturday, August 4th, at the O. T. Y. C. as a mythical Trip Around the World. Members were greeted as they boarded the plane by airline hostess Carolin Smith attired in official costume. As soon as all passengers had assembled and fastened their seat belts, the trip began.

The first stop was at Havana, Cuba, where an exhibition of the Cha Cha Cha was given by the famous Doctore and Senora Pikettos. Following the rhythm of Latin America, the plane next visited Mexico where Kathleen Teague treated the passengers to an eye-witness account of a bull fight.

Continuing the musical tour of the world, the plane next visited Brazil where the National Brazilian dance, the Samba, was danced by Doctore and Senora Pikettos. The Tico-Tico music was lively and the costumes of the performers authentic and colorful.

A brief stop in Paris and a visit to the Follies Bergiere where the Can Can music beat out its rhythm of gayety and Parisienne flavor was next on the journey.

Then in a twinkling we found ourselves

in St. Mark's Square in Venice where the soft sweet strains of the Gondolier's music filled the air. Here we stopped for a taste of Toni DeLapa's famous Pizza served with piping hot coffee. We lingered a while and listened to the strains of O Sole Mio.

The next stop was in Spain where music of Carmen gave us the atmosphere of the south European Latins. Then on flying over Austria, Hungary, Switzerland and Roumania where the music of Vienna and the Gypsies haunt the air.

While flying over Arabia we spotted Joe Alcorn's good friend Sheik Ali Corn and saw the dancing girls of the harem perform to the music of Kismet.

The next stop was in Bombay, where reservations in the Kohinoor Room of the Hotel Rajah permitted the tourists to dance to the music of Tommy Dorsey's "Song of India".

The stop at Hong Kong, only open port in China, gave us time to visit Su Lung's Bamboo Bar where we listened to "The Cricket Dance" and saw a Chinese Juggler perform.

Honolulu was the final stop. The Paradise of the Pacific produced the good fortune for a visit to the Royal Hawaiian Hotel where native dancers performed and taught us how to Hula.

It all seemed like a dream when we arrived back in Omena. But then, we can dream, can't we?

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The finances of the Club as submitted by Stewart are as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash Accounts — Jan. 1, 1956

Cash on hand	1,625.50
Electric Wiring Reserve	55.61
File Case Reserve	25.00
	1,706.11
Cash Receipts	2,563.27
Cash Disbursements	2,194.94
Net Addition to Cash	368.33

Cash Accounts — Dec. 31, 1956

Cash on hand	1,746.76
Electric Wiring Reserve	22.10
File Case Reserve	25.00
Table and Chair Reserve	280.58
	2,074.44

Respectfully submitted,
Stewart V. Ayars, Treasurer.



MEMBER PRESENTED TO QUEEN.

Perhaps you would be interested in a copy of a part of my sister Helen's last letter to us describing some of her activities including her presentation to the Royal House of the Netherlands. The letter is dated Jan. 24, 1957:

"And that was the day we were introduced to the Queen! It was a most interesting occasion and Bob and I were quite thrilled to be included. Several couples from each Diplomatic Corps were introduced by their various Ambassadors. It was a New Year's reception which the Queen gave at her palace in Amsterdam.

Bob got all dressed up in full dress, — tails and white tie. And I bought a new dress and hat. The dress was a brocade, — cream, pink, lavender, with a gold thread. The hat was an orchid lavender which blended in well with the dress. And I already had lavender gloves and costume jewelry. We couldn't wear black. And we had to have sleeves in our dresses and not too low a neck line.

An Embassy car called for us at 10:30 A. M., and Dignitaries went in the front entrance. But we and the others to be introduced went in the rear entrance. However, it was an impressive arrival. The servants were all in livery, — knee breeches and white stockings. The entrances were all roped off and guarded by colorful guards. There were crowds of people watching the arrivals. This was the first time I ever had been on the other side of the ropes!

Each group waited with their Ambassadors in the huge ball room which was beautiful, for the time to be introduced. It was a wonderful sight. All the men were in full dress. The military uniforms were most elaborate. There was the Minister from Pakistan with his beautiful silver lame turban and black beard. There were the Indian men with their knee length black coats and white leggings and peaked hats. With these were the wives draped in the lovely Saris which they wear. Then there were the Chinese women and the Japanese, all in their native costumes.

Ours was the fourth group to be presented. We entered a huge drawing room

where Queen Juliana and her Consort Prince Bernhardt received us. Ambassador Mathews introduced each couple.

'Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reed. Mr. Reed is the Agricultural Attache'. Then I stepped up and the Queen shook hands with me and said:

'How do you do, Mrs. Reed. A Happy New Year to you'. I had my piece all ready:

'And a happy one to you, Your Majesty'. Then I shook hands with Prince Bernhardt, who said:

'Best wishes'. And I replied:

'Thank you your Royal Highness'. And that was that!

We were then ushered into another room where we were served bouillon and and cakes. In ten minutes we followed our Mission officer down to the great hall to await our cars which took us home again. It was very short, but I got quite a thrill out of it.

The Saturday before that, I sneaked out against doctor's orders so that Bob and I could go to a Dutch wedding. It was a civil service. But the bride was lovely in her bridal dress with her beautiful bouquet. It reminded me a little of the Friends ceremony.

I have been put on a committee of a Dutch Charity, and am trying to sell tickets to the people I know best in the Embassy . . . "

Sincerely,

Hazel Taylor.



SPECIAL PARTIES SUCCESSFUL.

The 1956 Club season will be remembered for a very successful series of parties, both from the standpoint of entertainment as well as financially. The party bringing in the greatest income was the Card Party which netted \$105.15. Next in money income was the Games Party which netted \$90.76. The other parties, none of which were given for the purpose of bringing in money for the

Club, nevertheless netted \$57.92. Considering that expenses of running these parties was less than \$40, it seems that the Club made out well on the party season.

Although the financial aspect of parties is important, nevertheless the greatest value of Club sponsored parties is to provide a good evening of fun and entertainment. There is practically nothing in the way of entertainment in and around Omena. The Cherry County Play House, at Traverse City has attracted many of our Club members during the week. It is hoped that members will find it possible to plan their theater parties on days which do not conflict with Club activities. However, unless the Club assumes the responsibility of planning its parties well in advance and publicizing them, and unless these parties prove worthwhile and entertaining, it cannot hope to compete with professional entertainment. Proof that last summer's parties were successful may be seen in the large attendance.

Congratulations to the Special Events Committee and to all who helped plan and execute the events which made 1956 a memorable season.



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TENTATIVE CALENDAR OF EVENTS**Omena - Traverse Yacht Club****SUMMER OF 1957**

Thursday, July 4 — Opening Turkey Dinner
 Saturday, July 6 — Special Social Evening
 Sunday, July 7 — Open House
 Wednesday, July 10 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, July 13 — Racing in afternoon
 — Social Evening
 Sunday, July 14 — Open House
 Wednesday, July 17 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, July 20 — Racing in afternoon
 — Special Party
 Sunday, July 21 — Open House
 Wednesday, July 24 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, July 27 — Racing in afternoon
 — Games Party
 Sunday, July 28 — Open House
 Wednesday, July 31 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, August 3 — Racing in afternoon
 — Special Events Party
 Sunday, August 4 — Open House
 Wednesday, August 7 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, August 10 — Racing in afternoon
 — Card Party
 Sunday, August 11 — Open House
 Wednesday, August 14 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, August 17 — Racing in afternoon
 — Venetian Night
 Sunday, August 18 — Open House
 Wednesday, August 21 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, August 24 — Racing in afternoon
 — Special Events Party
 Sunday, August 25 — Open House
 Wednesday, August 28 — Pot Luck Dinner
 Saturday, August 31 — Commodore's Ball
 Sunday, September 1 — Open House
 Monday, September 2 — Labor Day
 Closing of Club.

THE RENZ REPORT.

By Carolin Smith Renz.

A tour of the five mile shoreline around Omena Point and Ingalls Bay via the Cincinnati folk would look something like this: As we start around the Point from Jessie's, we come first to the Andrew cottage, which Mr. and Mrs. Andrew hope to occupy by the first of May. They will stay the entire summer. Their son, Charles, provided them with a fourth grandchild last fall, a little girl. The Heitzman sisters are a little vague about definite dates, but Miss Mathilda Heitzman hopes to be able to come up early with Miss Ida Heitzman following later on. On past the fishermen and the OTYC to the Sloniker home. Some of the Slonikers hope to be in Omena all summer. The Flett girls and Mrs. Flett plan to accompany Mrs. Flett's mother to New York early this spring and then Mr. and Mrs. Flett plan

to hit Omena about the middle of May for the summer. Kitty Smith is leaving Florida May 12th; plans to spend one day in Cincinnati en route to Omena, where she will arrive with two house guests. Skipping the woods to Fishers, we find that Frank and Marion Fisher spent Christmas and the New Year's holidays in California with their daughter and son-in-law, Peter and Martha Klitgaard. In February Mr. and Mrs. Fisher went to Florida, but the weather was so bad they didn't stay long. They plan to open their cottage over Memorial Day to ready it for a June house party that Audrey and Bob Fisher are giving for some friends from Grosse Isle. Mary and Fred Weiss spent a month in Florida this winter and plan to spend the entire summer in Omena from May 1st on. Henry and Betty Otterman and their family hope to occupy the Carmichael cottage from July 1st to the end of the summer. Colter and Margo Rule's 26th grandchild was born March 9th. Her name is Martha Anne Cromartie. The Rules plan to come up Memorial Day. Alis and Landon Robinson have moved back to Cincinnati from Lansing, Michigan. They hope to spend one month in Omena this coming summer.

On Ingalls Bay we find more cross country travelers. Ruth and Dave DeVore spent three months in California with their son Leonard and his family. Dave and John Roth hope to be in Omena the week-end of May 17th or May 24th, but the DeVore family will officially be up to stay about June 15th. Mrs. William Graf is not sure when she will be able to come up. The Lyon family had planned to be in Omena for Easter. They will be up the third week in June for the entire summer. Eddie Lyon plans to take typing in the NMC summer session and the girls hope they will find suitable subjects to take also. Marge and Andy Renz have taken several trips to Alabama to see Holly who is at the University there. Holly has just been initiated into Chi Delta Phi, a national literary honorary sorority. The Jacksons have rented their cottage to Dr. and Mrs. Harry K. Hines, who, with their four children, will occupy it until the middle of August. The Hines are from Cincinnati.

Up on the hill we find that Tom and Martha Smith had a little girl March 6th. Her name is Marian Electa Smith and although she isn't quite walking at this writing, she is already getting very grown up, so says this aunt. The Smiths hope to spend at least part of the summer in Omena, although they're not quite sure just when. Billy and Rat Renz also hope to be up for at least a week, but they are uncertain of the time too. Probably some time in August. Rat and Billy spent a long Christmas week-end in Omena and were up again in March just in time for a surprise snowstorm.

Around Northport we find that Mrs. Alcorn and Janet and Gretchen will be up for at least a month this summer. Gretchen seems to have caught every bug that's gone around this winter and has spent a good deal of her time in bed, so a summer in Northport is just what she needs.

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

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The school is operated by White Rock Aviation, Inc., of Dallas under a sub-contract with the college. The school is headed by E. G. Alcorn and John H. Huett.

Since the present program runs to June 30th, Joe writes that they won't be in Michigan until late June or Early July this year.

The Ayars are planning an extensive vacation in Europe this summer. Stewart has resigned as Treasurer of the OTYC as of May 1. Our sincerest gratitude to Stewart for many years of fine service to the Club. He has been untiring in giving time and energy to the welfare of the OTYC.

My wife is reducing. This morning she touched her toes 20 times without bending her knees. Can your wife do that?

That's nothing — This morning my wife touched the floor with her chin without bending her knees.

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