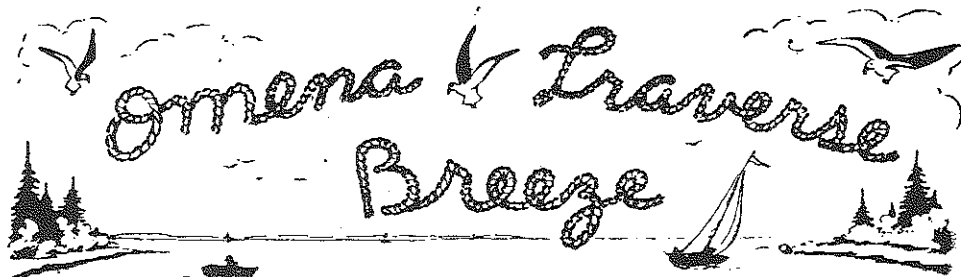


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Commodore's Message

There can't be anyplace on earth quite as pretty or quite as happy as Omena in the summertime, and I think the Sunny Summer of 1980 was surely one of the finest in O.T.Y.C. history. Mother Nature probably deserves at least half of the credit, but the rest belongs to the many enthusiastic members who devoted so much time, energy, and affection to the smooth operation of our Club. The list is long and includes not only Commodore Kathy and her hard-working Directors and Chairmen, but all of you who served and supported "behind-the-scenes".

Our program for young people was highly successful, thanks to our Wonder Woman, Barb Harris, and her trusty side-kicks, Mark Bosco and Flip Goodspeed. I think it's significant that quite a few adults have enrolled in tennis and sailing lessons during the past couple of summers; and several adults participated in the Wednesday Special Events, such as the Mackinac Island trip and the infamous rump-bumping adventure.

The condition of our Clubhouse has been greatly improved by the devotion and labor of Dan Schleef and his committee of "work-horses". Austin Jones and his Waterfront Committee cleared and beautified the new South Beach, adding 100 feet of usable waterfront for our enjoyment. I think this lovely area was formally initiated by the Omena Middle Years Amateur Sailing Society as a picnic site following the annual regatta. We loved it!

Margy Lyon gave us a full season of well-attended pot-lucks and parties, while John Ray kept an eye on the maintenance and use of the tennis court. Mary Louise Vail shouldered the responsibility of "chairing" the Nominating Committee. Stu Mulligan provided a fine Sunfish racing schedule that was too frequently becalmed and occasionally menaced by electrical storms. As membership chairman, Mary Woolford welcomed eight new members into the O.T.Y.C. family. Many thanks to all of you who were so willing to lend a helping hand.



New Commodore tries on her hat for size

Plans are well underway for next summer and it promises to be another fine season. Your new Committee Chairmen are enthusiastic about the summer ahead, as are the Board and I.

You will note that there are some changes in our committee designations, in hopes that the re-organized committees can function more smoothly and better respond to the needs of the membership. Each committee chairman will be looking forward to your suggestions and support. (Did you return your Questionnaire? If not, please do so on the double!)

Stu and I continued to operate out of Omena throughout September and October, until lack-of-central-heating forced us back to Illinois. It was fun being here with our "resident" members and seeing those of you who managed to get to Omena for a peek at the glorious fall colors.

A very Happy Holiday to all of you, wherever you are! Among the many blessings of the holiday season is the absolute certainty that another Omena Summer is just around the corner.

Suzie Mulligan

The Invisible Ones

Each summer a substantial number of our O.T.Y.C. members are "invisible" members of the Omena community. These are our teen-agers and young adults who spend most of their summertime here working to finance an education, a future business or "a set of wheels".

Occasionally they surface at potlucks . . . Many of them can be recognized by the cherry stains under their fingernails and the bags under their eyes.

The Invisible Ones merit our recognition, not only because they are our children, but because they are industrious members of O.T.Y.C. and will someday become the back-bone of our club. Here's what they were doing last summer while the rest of us played:

Kevin Ray, Aaron Silverman and his sisters Jeannine and Anita, Tim Smith, Bill Renz, and Dan and Scott Mulligan held various jobs at the Cherry Factory.

Emily Mercker was a waitress at the Happy Hour, while Annie Newland did the same at Boone's Prime Time Pub.

Dud Yetter, Tom Newland, Andy Mercker, Craig and Curt Cherne, Rob Mulligan, and Jeff Bosco all worked in the cherry orchards during harvest; then found other work. Some did odd-jobs; Rob bussed tables at the Rigger's Den.

Missy Bosco was a Life Guard in Northport, which earned her an excellent suntan and the Most-Enviably-Job-Award.

Kevin Ray and Jeff Bosco were the most visible of the Invisible Ones, appearing regularly for Sunfish races and sailing away with trophies.

Did we miss someone? Probably. It's hard to keep track of invisible people. But the point we want to make is this: We're proud of each and everyone!

NEW FACES OF 1980

We're very pleased and proud to welcome the following New Members into the O.T.Y.C. fold: The Andy Anderson family, Jim & Betty Gregory, the David Melville family, the Bill Sandt family, the Gary Silvermans, the Dick Smith family, and D. J. St. John. And a heart-felt "Welcome back!" to Waldo and Ping Abbot.

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COMMITTEE HEADS ANNOUNCED FOR 1981

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Nominating and Membership: Joan Roth

Youth and Adult Activities:

Sailing: Stu Mulligan

Tennis: Jonnie Hodgson

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Sunfish at Rest - - -

waiting for a breeze and their skippers to claim them

Drifting and Dreaming

— A report from your Sailing Committee

Most of our racing dates during the 1980 season found the Sunfish Fleet scanning the water for the little puffs and offshore breezes that make the difference in a "drifter". Mark Bosco, Jeff Bosco, and Kevin Ray found more of them than the rest of us. More than 30 members competed in our scheduled races with the following results:

JULY SERIES (Adult)

1. Mark Bosco
2. Austin Jones
3. Stu Mulligan

JULY SERIES (Youth)

1. Jeff Bosco
2. Kevin Ray
3. Tim Weiss

AUGUST SERIES (Adult)

1. Mark Bosco
2. Linda Cherne
3. Rat Renz

AUGUST SERIES (Youth)

1. Jeff Bosco
2. Kevin Ray
3. Craig Cherne

The Sailor of the Year trophies were awarded to Fran Mercker and Tim Weiss in recognition of their continued improvement, determination and good sportsmanship.

The George S. Smith Regatta was blessed with fair breezes and good fun, despite a disappointing turnout from other clubs. Jeff Bosco, Kevin Ray, and Matt Bosco sailed away with the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place trophies, followed closely by Tim Weiss and Craig Cherne.

The adult fleet was frustrated in its efforts to have a Moonlight Regatta, first by an electrical storm, then by a flat calm the following week.

One of the season's finer memories is that of Fran Mercker launching her boat one afternoon in a 20 knot West wind, and half hour later helplessly drifting toward Eastport.

Mother Nature is a fickle lady!

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News About Members

From far away Hawaii Marion and Crammy Finn say that their Big News is the arrival of their third little "Great" - Thomas Griffith Galbraith, son of Michael and Ditter Galbraith of Essex, England. Young Thomas joins his two little sisters.

A morning to remember for Vernon and Elizabeth Keye will be October 4, 1980 when the first radio report regarding a fire on the Holland American cruise ship the MS. Preuseudam was heard. "Memories of 30 great days on the Preuseudam last May were constant for us as the final sinking of this beautiful ship was described. The May voyage to the Orient now becomes history with the loss of the ship and we shall always cherish the privilege of being passengers."

Rick and Laura Keye come to Omena for as many weekends as possible each fall season. Even their new dog "Mr. Paddington" enjoys the trip.

Dr. John Kemble spent his first October in Omena. The color was exceptionally bright this year.

Jane Newland also enjoyed the month of October at Omena with Bob coming up long weekends - from Wednesday evening to Sunday night (don't you wish we could all have weekends like that?). When last seen Jane was planting myrtle and myrtle and more myrtle around the "Sandlapper". Don't be surprised if you arrive next summer and find all of Ingalls Bay is covered with myrtle!

Dorothy and Sydney Griffiths were planning to spend a few days in Northport this fall closing the cottage and stocking up on the good Michigan apples. Bob and Kathy are enjoying married life; they went to the Yankee-Kansas City Royals playoff and were invited to West Point for a football game. Jim is thinking of running his own restaurant. Bev is still at Providence Hospital in Detroit. Syd and Dorothy plan to go to Ann Arbor for their 30th class reunion.

Lanny and Mary Pratt and family are moving to Huntington, West Virginia sometime in December. As if that won't keep them busy enough, they are looking for another little Pratt sometime in March.

Rat and Bill Renz can testify to the beautiful fall color this year at Omena as they spent the third week of October there. They enjoyed seeing a number of the winter Omena-ites as well as fall visitors. Andy Renz is still burning the midnight oil at Wabash where he is Song Leader of the Beta House. Cynnie Renz is just finishing up her internship in Indiana where she has been an Energy Planner for the city of Richmond for the past six months. She will return to Miami University in January where she hopes to receive her Master's degree in Environmental Science this May. Billy is in A Capella Choir this year at Princeton High School and is looking forward to Princeton playing in the state football playoffs.

Fred Gorham writes that he and Ruth are well and busy in Kerrville, Texas. This past summer was a bit on the warm side, but proved to be no problem to them. The dryness was a bit tough, though, and as they were unable to water more than once a week, the Gorhams are still working on building their lawn. Fred says they miss the ability to "help themselves" to good Omena Bay water. They also miss the friends at Omena, but have met lots of fine folks down there in Texas. Kerrville is about 60 miles NW of San Antonio and in ranch territory. It has a population of 15,000 and quite a number of retirees settle there. They come from Florida and California and the large cities of Texas as well as from the north.

Barb and John Harris spent a fall weekend at Omena, as did Linda and Charlie Melville, and Marjorie and Andy Renz. None of the fall visitors mentioned any beautiful weather, but all commented on the beauty of the trees this year.

Jeff Melville is very happy at Lewis & Clark College in Oregon where he plays on the Junior Varsity soccer team.

Chris Misangyi writes that it feels like winter at Omena. She is back in school teaching two classes of German and two classes of English composition, keeping her busy. While Chris is off at school, Bill is enjoying the challenge of beer and wine making. For Christmas they will fly to Hawaii and spend sixteen days with their two little grandsons - Jamie, now two years old and Nicolas, born in August. Chris and Bill will be meeting Nicolas for the first time.

Agnes Barker moved the middle of October to the John Knox Village in Pompano Beach, Florida. She hopes to get to Omena somehow next summer to celebrate the 80's.

Marjorie Smith says she'll be graduating from the University of Michigan in May, then, as soon as she gets the travel money, she plans to go to Japan to teach English. The whole family will be in Omena for Christmas this year since they are getting the house-on-the-hill winterized. Marjie will probably be in Omena for at least a month during the summer.

Thanksgiving plans were for the Craig Smiths to be in Cincinnati visiting the Renz and Perc Smith to be down visiting the Tom Smiths - big family gathering.

Lillian Taylor flew to Washington D.C. to join her daughter Mrs. Anne Cain, from San Francisco and grandson Jonathan Cain, who is a student at the American University School of Law in D.C. Since this was the first time Lillian or her daughter, Anne, had been in Washington, they spent a busy week "doing all of the tours" browsing in the Libraries and Art Galleries as well as attending a play at the Kennedy Center for Performing Arts.

Leona Milroy went to Lake Tahoe in October where she saw Tom Jones at the opening of Caesar's Palace; said he was "dynamic". While in Tahoe she also attended a show at Hurrah's where she heard Andy Williams sing "Moon River" and was greeted personally by Andy with a handshake. November found Leona Christmas shopping in Tia Juana, Mexico and also going on a theatre spree in Los Angeles. She will spend the Christmas holidays with the Stretch family in St. Louis. Leona reports that Bill is looking very well and will be 90 years old April 11th.

We did not hear from the Moores, but by the grapevine we learned Dr. Moore just celebrated his 90th birthday so we send our warmest congratulations to Earl and Blanche Moore.

Joan Roth writes that it was a great summer with all the children up at one time plus her brother Leonard and his wife from California. First time in 18 years that Leonard had been at Omena!

Hazel Taylor will spend the winter with her son Dick and his family in Omaha, Nebraska.

Helen Reed returned to her home in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania the latter part of October. Her son Bob and family came to Omena to drive her back east.

Andy and Marjorie Renz also managed to get away from Cincinnati for a few days to visit Marjorie's sister in Washington, D.C.

Bob and Nancy Weiss report a busy fall. After getting settled in Cincinnati, they made two trips to Omena, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in November and became grandparents of Mark Robert Owen, their daughter Sue's first child. How does Bob handle all that? He turned 50 this year, has been married half his life and a grandfather to boot! The Weiss family will spend at least part of the Christmas holidays at Omena.

Stu and Suzie Mulligan report that they suffered a period of re-adjustment after all of their "summer boarders" left Omena. Scott and his girl friend Laura, returned to the University of Montana, where Scott is a senior. Dan and his buddy, Michael, began their freshman year in college . . . Dan is at Ferris State College in Big Rapids, Michigan. Rob is back at Leelanau School in Glen Arbor, playing soccer, making music, and enjoying a fine year. Stu and Suzie were happy to see O.T.Y.C. friends throughout the Fall. (No, life at Omena does not end with Labor Day!) The soccer season found them in the Leelanau cheering section at every game, sometimes trying to out-shout the Chernes, who are Northport loyalists. Winter finds them back in Illinois, looking forward to having the boys and Grandma Jones with them for a noisy, merry Christmas.

More About Members

--- From The Rays

M. H. writes that their English "fridge" in England is about the size of a medium Coleman cooler and that she is learning to shop and cook all over again. They went to the Lake District in October and found areas that reminded all of them of Omena. More from M. H.'s letter:

The Rays are gradually "settling in" at their Leamington Spa home in England. Leamington Spa is about mid-point from everywhere in the country and is a good launching point for many weekend trips. Stratford is just twenty minutes away, so many of you could easily locate us, if you happen to be in the area.

The English language is the same but the definitions are quite different. We asked to borrow a cot the other day and were told that a cot was a baby-bed and that our guest wouldn't fit!

John and Kevin went to see a local sailing area and came back with the news that the water was two hundred feet in width — a bit different from Omena Bay.

When wearing our various O.T.Y.C. jackets and sweatshirts, people here ask where Michigan is. Do "ring us up" if you are anywhere near us; we'd love to hear from friends in the colonies — Telephone: Leamington Spa 26443. Our Omena friends have been our best correspondents over here and mail does mean a lot to us this year. Come see us! Cheerio!

Notes From Omena

by Genevra Grossman

The Yacht Club is winterized and waiting serenely for next summer's activities. Most of the cottages are closed, and like the migratory birds, the occupants have sought warmer climates. The "Left-overs," however have consoled themselves with a potluck dinner and a luncheon at the Country Club and are looking forward to more of such festive occasions. Our numbers are augmented from time to time by others who have driven many miles to see Omena in its autumnal garb and to feast their eyes on the flaming fall colors. The many varieties of mushrooms which have erupted from the forest mold have furnished a feast of a different sort to some ardent seekers of such delicacies. Now we are enjoying Indian Summer but know that these days are short lived, and soon there will be snow on the ground and ice in the bay, but always beauty everywhere.



How much am I bid for the Keyes' quilt?

It's Your Serve!

Tennis Report by John Ray

The O.T.Y.C. tennis facility again provided an active season. Lessons were given by Flip Goodspeed for several hours four days each week through the Youth Program; Flip also instructed adults on both a group and individual basis.

A new feature to the court this year is the drinking fountain installed just outside the playing area; special thanks are due to Bill Misangyi, Harold Grossman and Fred Gorham for their help on this nice addition to the facility. Future improvements contemplated are the placing of asphalt between the court and the fencing, and the possible resurfacing of the court itself.

The results of the youth competition this summer were as follows:

JULY (Singles)

- 1st Jeff Bosco
- 2nd Paul Harris
- 3rd Libby Ehrhardt

AUGUST (Mixed Doubles)

- 1st Kim Kiersey and Matt Bosco
- 2nd Susie Smith and Charlie Mercker

AUGUST (Round-Robin Doubles)

- 1st Susan Banks
- 2nd Jeff Bosco

My thanks to all who contributed to the success of our tennis program.

In Memoriam

Augustus James Rogers III

We were sorry to learn, early in the 1980 summer, of the death of A. J. Rogers III, the founder and first Commodore of the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club.

Gus was just 18 the summer he visited Omena selling Lightnings for his father's boat yard. Realizing he had come upon a group of would be sailors, Gus inspired many Omena people not only to buy Lightnings, but to form a yacht club to share this new sailing interest. Early Breezes hold many articles about Gus's sailing trips here and there, first in the "Shamash", later in his father's 48' ketch "Cynthia", designed and built by Bill Livingston of Northport.

Hailing from the Benzonia area, it was while Gus was working with boats at Omena that he met and married Esther Hagen of Northport; they had three children.

Gus earned both his bachelor's degree and later a Ph. D in economics at Michigan State University. He taught economics at the University of Wisconsin where he attained full professorship. He spent much of his time writing, including a book called *Choice* which became a popular text. Using the royalties from this he bought a 10-meter sailboat and christened it "Choice".

A. J. Rogers III leaves his three children, A. J. Rogers IV, Sally and Lisa, and his mother Agnes Rogers, now 95. He also leaves the legacy of a thriving yacht club at Omena, inspired into being by his enthusiasm and energy.



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In an effort to provide a cushion for unforeseen emergencies, and, at the same time, to honor the Founders whose vision brought O.T.Y.C. into being following World War II, such a fund was established during Austin Jones' tenure as Commodore. Our records indicate its financial beginning with the deposit of a gift of \$100 by Clemwell Lay, August 12, 1975.

There were three areas of club activity to which gifts could be directed, should the donor's particular interest be in that direction. These were CLUB-HOUSE, SAILING & WATERFRONT, or TENNIS, these being the three areas where capital expenditure might be required. Unspecified gifts could be used for any of these.

Happily, the fund has been untouched and is protected by stringent rules. It was not intended as a grab bag for a solvent club, financially capable of meeting immediate problems. Rather, it is an endowment fund "to add long range stability to the Club's financial planning for the enjoyment of present members and of generations to come." That last phrase is particularly interesting as we witness the active youth program.

The fund has grown through donations, memorials, profits from the Commodore's Reception, and interest, with a portfolio reading, as of 10/1/80, as follows:

6 year 7½%	
Certificate of Deposit	\$1120.71
Midwest Income Investment	
Cash Fund	1118.50
Pass Book Savings, Traverse	
City State Bank	571.10
	\$2810.31

This is not phenomenal growth but it is not easy to acquire gifts by a fund not classified as charitable. Too many others who do qualify are after our tax-deductible dollar. One alternative is through a bequest in one's will with no tax consequences. We know of one such bequest of \$1,000 at present. One word of caution. To be legally acceptable, mere desire or direction is not enough. It should be spelled out by will or by properly executed codocil.

We all love our piece of Omena and don't want anything to change it "for the sake of generations to come."

John E. Roth
Trustee-Treasurer



"Going - Going - Gone!" - the O.T.Y.C. Benefit Auction

1980 Youth Committee Report

by Barb Harris

The summer program for youth at O.T.Y.C. enjoyed another successful and busy summer. Mark Bosco, as youth activities director and sailing instructor, and Flip Goodspeed, as tennis instructor, did an excellent job again!!

The many activities included a trip to Arne's Funland, a canoe trip down the Pine River, a sailing overnight to the Steele property, a bus trip to Mackinac Island, a club campout at O.T.Y.C., a fun day at Timber Shores, and on the last day of the summer program-rump bumping on the Boardman River. A total of 42 children participated at various times during the six weeks of the program. 25 children took both tennis and sailing lessons, 9 took only tennis, 8 took only sailing classes and 4 took private sailing lessons from Mark. 12 adults were active in the tennis and sailing program designed especially for them. 5 of the adults attended tennis lessons faithfully for six weeks and 4 adult availed themselves of the sailing classes which included both adult pleasure sailing and adult racing. We did participate in some competitive events with Northport Point. O.T.Y.C. easily won the sailing events. In tennis competition, Omena lost both matches 5-9.

A new activity was initiated this year by Mark Bosco - called a sail-a-thon. The sailors obtained pledges (minimum \$.10 per hour) from club members and/or other community residents to be paid upon completion of the sailing event. Boats were to be on the water continuously for 12 hours-with a ten minute "land break" every two hours. Naturally, the weather did not cooperate!! The boats with their skippers were forced to come in after only 8 hours sailing time. The sail-a-thon was still a success with a total of \$103 collected from the pledges. This money will possibly be used to buy O.T.Y.C. Racing Team T-shirts.

Tennis tournaments in July and August were conducted by Flip Goodspeed-children only participated. Under the auspices of assistant youth committee chairperson, Jonnie Hodgson, the children sang at the Commodore's reception. They were accompanied by Jeff Bosco on guitar (Jeff also wrote the words of the song.)

Many thanks go to all the youth committee members, the parents, the instructors, the commodore, and most of all, the children for the support shown this program. There would be no successful summer activities without you!!!

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1980 Annual Meeting of O.T.Y.C.

The annual meeting of Omena Traverse Yacht Club was called to order at 8:20 p.m., July 9, 1980.

Members present were:

Harold Grossman
Kathy Bosco
Fred Gorham
Vernon Keye
Bill Misangyi
John Harris
Sue Mulligan
Jonnie Hodgson
Roger Oetting
M. Oetting
Elizabeth Keye
Mary Smith
Austin Jones
Carolyn Renz
Fran Mercker
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M. H. Ray
Barbara Harris
Drew Ehrhardt
Betsy Ehrhardt
Margo Lyon
Marjorie Renz
Agnes Barker
Holly Renz Smith
John Mulligan
Genevra Grossman
Mary Woolford
Dan Schleef
Liz Schleef
Chris Misangyi
Mary Louise Vail
Trudy Lewis
Andrew Renz

The Secretary read the minutes of the July 11, 1979 membership meeting, and the minutes were approved as read.

Mr. Gorham presented the Treasurer's report, as printed in the Spring Breeze and announced that the club is now solvent.

Youth Committee Chairman, Barb Harris announced that Jonnie Hodgson is her assistant this summer. She reported that thus far there are 18 children enrolled in the Sailing Program and 10 children in the Tennis Program.

Tennis Committee Co-Chairman, M. H. Ray, reported that Children and Adult tournaments are planned for July and August. It was requested that tennis court regulations be posted on the tennis board, and the Chairman agreed to do so.

Sailing Chairman, Stu Mulligan, announced that racing will begin at 12:30 Sunday, July 13, and that the schedule for the remainder of July will be posted at that time.

Waterfront Chairman, Austin Jones, called attention to the fact that the seawall construction is now completed. He stated that fees for slip rental have not yet been decided. Information is being gathered from Northport and Suttons Bay as to prevailing rates for slip rentals, so a decision for O.T.Y.C. is forthcoming soon. Mr. Ehrhardt expressed concern over the amount of money being spent on waterfront facilities.

Membership Chairman, Mary Woolford, reported that Sandt, Silverman, Melville, and St. John have been approved as new members. The Commodore thanked the Gorhams for their service to the club and expressed her regret that they are moving from Omena. Mrs. Woolford, on behalf of the Board of Directors presented a motion to grant Honorary Life Membership to Ruth and Fred Gorham. Vernon Keye seconded the motion, which was then unanimously passed with a standing ovation.

George S. Smith Regatta Chairman, Carolyn Renz, reported that the regatta will be held on August 9th and that luncheon will be served.

House and Grounds Chairman, Dan Schleef expressed his appreciation for the many improvements made by Gorham, Grossman, Misangyi, and Keye prior to the opening of the summer season. He reported that the committee plans to move the playground to provide additional parking space. The area by the new seawall will be seeded this summer, and the hedge by the flagpole will be repaired.

Social Chairman, Margo Lyon, thanked the Keyes for their very successful opening dinner. Potlucks will be held every Wednesday throughout July and August, with several special programs planned. The Founders Day Dinner is scheduled for July 26.

The Nominating Committee, reported its nomination of Harold Grossman, John Harris, and Mary Woolford as Directors for the September 15, 1980 - September 15, 1983 term. There was discussion raised by Holly Renz Smith and John Mulligan as to the possible advisability of changing the annual meeting and election of Directors to August. It was noted that such a change would require a By-Laws amendment to be considered for future years. Mrs. Ray moved that nominations be closed. Seconded and unanimously passed. The motion of the Nominating Committee Chairman was then also passed unanimously.

New Business:

Regarding proposed By-Laws Amendments, the Commodore pointed out the printing errors in the Breeze. Mrs. Vail moved approval of the Article 8 Amendment regarding increased initiation fees and dues. Seconded. Mrs. Bosco explained the reasoning behind the proposal and stated that the increases would become effective Jan. 1, 1981. Some members expressed concern that we might be faced with assessments in addition to the dues increases. Several others felt that the initiation fee should be higher than the proposed increase. After considerable discussion of those items and the solution of a procedural problem, M. H. Ray moved that the phrase "no other dues are required during the year in which election to membership occurs.." be deleted. Seconded and passed. The original motion, as amended, was then voted on and passed.

Mrs. Andrew Renz moved that we approve the proposed Amendment of Article 12. The motion was seconded and passed.

Mr. Gorham moved approval of the proposed amendment of Article 14. Seconded and passed.

Copies of the approved Amendments are attached hereto as a part of these minutes of the 1980 Annual Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Mulligan, Secretary

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