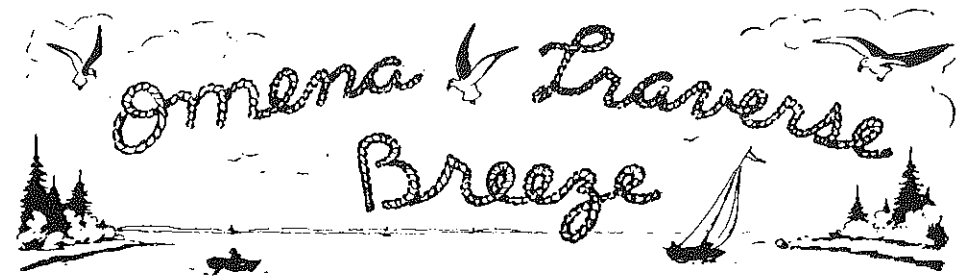


Greetings From Omena — Christmas, 1985



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Commodore's Message

In mid-October, Rat and I made our annual fall trek to Omena to see the fall colors and close the cottage. I still don't know why, after all these years, it takes three times as long to close a cottage as it takes to open up for the summer. I guess it must have something to do with enthusiasm. I am sure that all who are involved with the closing down of the season for the OTYC feel the same. Bob Harper and his committee have done a fine job not only putting the Club House to bed but also maintaining the facilities for all of us to enjoy this past summer. Thanks, Bob!

This last season was a super season because you, the members, helped make it so. In particular my hat is off to all the chairpeople — Kathy Bosco, Vicki Sova, Suzie Mulligan and Austin Jones, Nancy Weiss and John Ray, Jonnie Hodgson, Barb Harris, Lynn and Lynn Spitz-Nagel, Bob Harper, and Mary Tonneberger and Frank Gaffney.

During the 1985 season, we all welcomed Vin and Gina Moore, Eric and Martina Moore, Victor and Sarah Fortino as new members. The addition of new members is important to the OTYC to keep a vibrant club going.

Barbara Harris, Vicki Sova and Lynn F. Spitz-Nagel were elected to a three year term on the "Board" starting September 15, 1985. Welcome aboard (no pun intended). I want to extend my sincere thanks to Fred Schwarze, Mary Smith and Bob Weiss who just completed three year terms on the Board. I will miss Bob as a personal friend; we will all miss his enthusiasm, good humor and unique approach to the problems of the Yacht Club.

One of the last actions of the 1985 Board was to approve the expenditure for the remodeling and mouse proofing of the kitchen. This, among other things, will include a pass through to the main hall, new cabinets, new stainless steel double sink, warming lights, lowering the ceiling and dry walling the complete area. The kitchen will be ready before the start of the 1986 season.

Highlights of the 1985 season include the Opening Dinner in July, attended by so many enthusiastic club members; the Square Dance;

the day trip to South Manitou; the Commodore's Reception with eight Commodores in attendance along with a large crowd of current members; and a successful youth program. In addition to sailing and tennis, this year's youth program included a section for four to seven year olds, admirably organized by Alice Gelakowski.

The Square Dance not only brought together members of all ages — from the not yet born to the octogenarians and above — it also brought a touch of the past back to the Club when some of us remembered being the "young crowd" at similar functions.

Theta Burke's poetry and outlook on life added a new dimension to the potluck programs and the Fashion Show and Youth Cookout

(complete with do-it-yourself sundaes, I am told) and other events all combined to produce the fun and memories of the summer.

The 1986 season promises to be even more fantastic than 1985 — potlucks with new programs to follow, another Square Dance, a cook-out and more. The committees are still in the process of being appointed. Volunteer now to help with the many functions of the Club. Please tell me on which committee(s) you would like to serve. The final committees will be announced in the spring Breeze.

Happy Holiday Season to you, one and all, from Rat and me.

Bill Renz
Commodore



End of the '85 season
"one lone sunfish"



Your Commodores!
Front: V. Key, K. Bosco, Joe Alcorn, A. Renz
Back: W. Renz, F. Schwarze, J. Harris, A. Jones

THE OMENA-TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB BREEZE

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as voted by the Board in 1981)

Junior Annual Dues (ages 14 to 23 as of January 1) \$11.00

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Adult Dues per family \$110.00

Adult Dues per single adult \$55.00

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The last visitors

REPORT OF THE HOUSE & GROUNDS COMMITTEE October 18, 1985

Now that the leaves have turned and are rapidly falling — along with the temperature — the Clubhouse is closed for the winter, the pipes drained and the electricity turned off. The Clubhouse has had a new tenant who's been chewing holes in the lobby ceiling but hopefully has departed for a friendlier atmosphere.

The materials are on hand for the kitchen remodeling, the actual work scheduled when the snow is gone next spring.

With the approval of the Board, a caretaker has been hired to handle the spring cleaning, the manual labor involved in the opening and closing of the Clubhouse and the care of the lawn and shrubbery.

As of this writing, a Sunfish boat remains on the beach. The boat is named "Hispaniola" — owner unknown. If it is not removed before freezing weather, it will be drained and put on the porch. Then I suggest the Board consider billing the owner for winter storage!

See you next Spring!

Bob Harper
Chairman

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

The Club has been very fortunate in having new members join this year who supported the activities with such enthusiasm!

The membership committee is pleased to announce the following new members.

Vin and Gina Moore

Eric and Martina Moore

Victor and Sarah Fortino

The membership of David and Susan Fisher is in process.

Membership Committee

From Gennie Grossman . . .

Renovations to the Omena Fire Station are now underway and include a new roof, new front, and a 30 by 20 foot addition on the north side to be used for community activities. Generous donations by the Leelanau Township Foundation, the Omena Women's Club, and Omena Club 21, plus a number of Omena area residents have made this addition possible, and a plaque will be prominently displayed listing the donors.

However, money is still needed to equip, decorate, and furnish this community hall. To this end, a fund has been established, and it is hoped that gifts and memorials will augment this fund now and in the future.

Checks may be made payable to the Omena Community Improvement Fund and mailed to Box 71, Omena, Michigan 49674. All donations are tax deductible. If given as a memorial, please designate on the check for whom it is intended.

GIFT IDEAS FOR NOW AND IN '86

OTYC 3" PATCH	\$3.00
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TIE TACK	\$3.00
OTYC PIN	\$3.00

Please add \$1.00 per order for shipping and handling. Make all checks payable to the OTCY and send to Bill Renz, P.O. Box 41258, Cincinnati, Ohio 45241.



Mary Woolford and a "Mysterious Sailor"

SAILING ALONG

With Kevin Ray
OTYC Sailing Instructor

Awards for the 1985 sailing season were as follows:

RACING SERIES

- 1st place - John Ray
- 2nd place - Rat Renz
- 3rd place - Mark Spitz-Nagel
- 4th place - Jeff Bosco
- 5th place - Lanny Pratt
- 6th place - Stu Mulligan

Sailing Classes:**AWARDS FOR RACES**

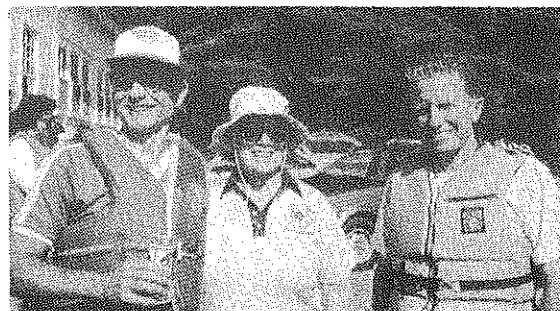
- Tiger Award - Mark Spitz-Nagel
- Sportsmanship Award, with the most unique style of sailing - Rat Renz

AWARDS FOR 1985 SAILING LESSONS

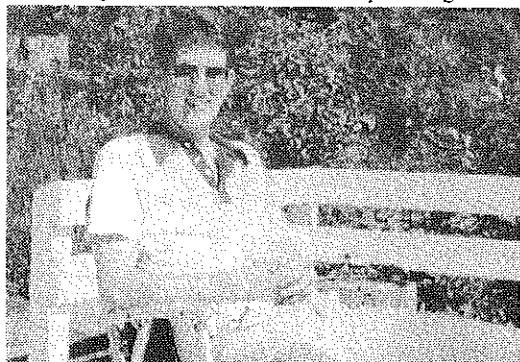
- Most improved over the last 3 years - David Reed
- Most improved during 1985 season - Tracey Melville
- Tiger Award - Tracey Melville
- Sailing Fanatic Award - Mark Spitz-Nagel



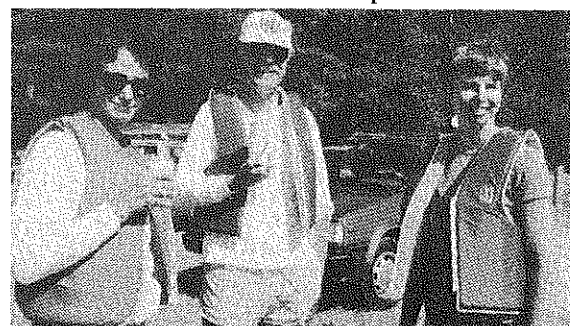
SPITZ-NAGEL's relaxing



Sailors prepared!

STU MULLIGAN and RAT RENZ victors!
At the critical tack . . .Commodores - BILL RENZ, JOHN HARRIS,
ANDY RENZ at the receptionKEVIN RAY — Your Sailing Instructor at
rest after another successful season

MARION JONES spots a trend in Omena



More sailors ashore?

A touch of class at the summer Fashion Show

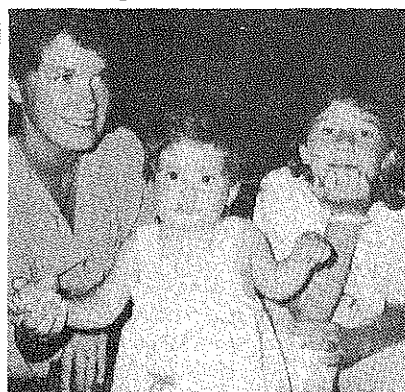
BILL RENZ takes charge!

TIM WEISS and PAUL HARRIS
"scouting"

Betsy Ehrhardt



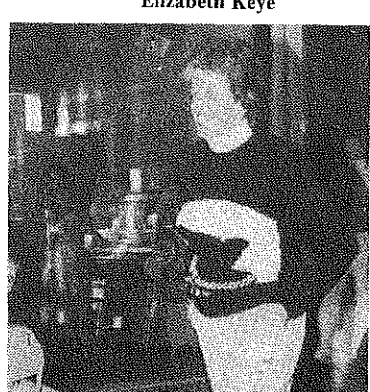
Elizabeth Keye

MARY WOOLFORD and JOHN
ROTH - "Tips on Travel"

The younger BAILEY - LOVE set!



Pat Bailey



Jonnie Hodgson

NOTES & COMMENTS FROM THE OMENA COMMUNITY

That's what we are all referred to in "The Leclanau Enterprise and Tribune." I never noticed "and Tribune" before, but I prefer to think of all of us as a group of people who became friends in what I like to think of as a summer paradise, a place where time does not stand still but does slow down a bit if we all allow it to. After all, Omena was there long before Lake Wobegon. So let us begin.

Your co-editor was pleasantly surprised that the first response came from a young man whose name is Michael RAY. He must come from good stock in that he answers his mail promptly. Or maybe the secret lies in a line he wrote, "New Hampshire is sure different than Illinois." I can agree with that, not having seen any mountains in Illinois. And the foliage in the spring and fall is a lot prettier than fields of corn. Michael is taking a year at the New Hampton School as further preparation for college after graduating from New Trier. To continue, Michael is going into show business. He has a weekly radio show on the school station. He's doing backpacking in those beautiful mountains along with being a photographer for the yearbook. Those extracurricular activities are fun. Have fun, Michael, enjoy Europe at Christmas, and let us know how classes are going when the spring BREEZE comes out.

Michael's parents John and Mary Helen Ray, along with brother Kevin and sister Linda, have also had an active fall. Kevin has been in Freiburg, Germany through a program sponsored by Albion College where he is a junior. Kevin has been "sailing" through Europe with side trips to other cities and countries. Linda has been active as a high school freshman with much involvement in music and drama. All will have an exciting time in Germany and France during the Christmas holidays.

Next we come to the bountiful BOSCO family. After that wonderful birthday party for Mike this summer, everything isn't downhill. The mountain is still higher, Mike. After all Grandma Moses didn't start painting till she was eighty. A whole new career awaits Mike. In the meantime, you and Kathy enjoy those parent weekends — those are the rewards for years of parenting, which we all thought would be easy. After all, wasn't our youth uneventful? Matt at the University of Arizona, being tapped into Primas, an honorary freshman organization at the university, and being a member of the school's soccer team. And Jeff at Baylor, a junior in the business school and starting his own business. The Apple founders only started in a garage. Maybe retirement will come sooner than you think, Mike. I do hope the airlines fly often from Phoenix to Baltimore and back so

Missie can use them. Banks (I'm sure Maryland National Bank — the one that she works at in Baltimore) also close on Saturday and Sunday. It's only a few hours and air travel is quick. Now that Mark is practicing law in both Texas and Arizona, maybe we'll see the day and time when he and his father will be in the same courtroom. Friendly adversaries, maybe. A last note to Mike. I remember a decade that was labeled "The Fabulous Fifties." May that apply to you, Mike!

A short note from Marjorie and Andy RENZ, saying that they experienced the shortest stay ever at Omena, returning to Cincinnati on October 1. Then after Christmas, four months in Naples, Florida. We envy you!

A nice letter from Elizabeth and Vernon KEYE telling all of us that they will be spending the winter months at a retirement community starting on December 1. Their winter address will be: Plymouth Place, 2 Brewster Lane, La Grange Park, IL 60525

In April, it's back to Omena for the summer. I'm sure they will be happy to hear from you and see anyone who is in that area. Elizabeth also writes that we will all be able to meet her English cousin this summer. Her name is Sally Humphreies and she is a professor of Greek history. She has left the University of London to teach at the University of Michigan. I suggest all of us read or re-read Homer, the "Iliad" and the "Odyssey" to start.

From Gennie and Harold GROSSMAN comes a note of their joint recovery in Omena. They both were out of the hospital in time to enjoy the fall. Gennie is on crutches from a total hip replacement but hopes to be able to handle their fourth grandchild upon arrival in December. Harold is recovering from bronchial pneumonia, but tires easily when trying to keep up with the housework. Your editor has the same problem with housework and I don't even have any health excuses to use. Maybe I can borrow one from Harold.

Hazel Clark TAYLOR, 95 years of age on March 23, 1985 is spending the winter with her daughter, Patricia Kulick, in Ocean Springs, Mississippi. Those of you who know her, might like to drop a line to say hello. Hazel is curious about an article in the Traverse City *Enterprise* which may have mentioned her. If anyone has seen it, please let her know.

A lovely letter from Leona Boudreau MILROY brought back memories to your editor. She and her brother Harold took a Rhine River cruise sponsored by the Notre Dame alumni. Mine was sponsored by the U.S. Army. Unfortunately the river wasn't navigable then, too many bridges in the middle of the river. The places she mentions, "The Lorelei," Cathedral

at Cologne and other places, make me want to go back and see it all over again. Maybe I will.



Leona Milroy and Harold Boudreau
in Cologne

A beautiful letter came from Chris MISANGYL. A brief excerpt: "In the last few years some of my summer friends remarked 'how can you stand it here in Omena all year long?'"

"I like to ask you, my friends, how can you stand it being away from Omena when fall paints God's Country into golds and apples glow on trees and animals unafraid walk across your deck, or when winter frost puts crystals on every branch to glow in the sun and green-blue iceblocks border the bay, or when the tiny leaves appear to announce the Spring and trillions of Trilliums pop from the ground to mix with Forget-me-nots and cherry blooms create a fairyland???"

"I ask you how can you miss all these wonders that God's Country has to offer year around? How, my friends, can you stand it not to be here???"

She will be spending Thanksgiving and Christmas with her son Pete in Novi and then at the end of January, go to Hawaii for three or four weeks with daughter Margit. In May, she is off to Europe to visit cousins in Switzerland and Austria. Sounds like Chris gets the BREEZE's commendation as traveller of the year. She also

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enclosed a letter from the Peace Corps recognizing her late husband Bill's work for that organization. Seems like Omena is populated by warm, loving and giving people.

A note from Peg MORSE stating that the Morses and Saxtons will be together for Christmas in Texas. Peg also says her car was stolen and vandalized. Better the car than her, and insurance does help. Jane and Peg will be in Omena July and August.

A beautiful Japanese post card arrived from Marjorie SMITH, only it came from Denver. Seems she returned there after six months in San Francisco, where she taught English to Japanese students. It's only fair they should learn English after twenty years of teaching us a good many things. But then the BREEZE is not an editorial forum. Marjorie is now the Director of Admissions at the University of Denver. She says the work is fascinating, but feels as though she is drowning in "learning experiences." The academic life is difficult at times, but a way of life that is totally different. She also says she was in Cincinnati in October and had a chance to visit with those family members living and visiting there. A far-flung family to say the least. Omena appears to be her next stop — at Christmas.

From Sydney and Dorothy GRIFFITHS, a note and photo. The photo is of Bob Griffiths, their son, who is holding two tennis trophies,



Bob Griffiths with early OTYC tennis trophy

won by his grandfather Benjamin Foltz in the early part of this century. Bob, who lives in Charlotte, North Carolina hopes to be able to come to Omena next summer to make a formal presentation to the Club. Dorothy says that Beverly is home taking care of her mother who broke a hip last summer. Jim is a builder in Florida who specializes in building Pizza Huts. Dr. Sydney has a busy practice in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, in spite of HMO expansion.

A letter from Lanny and Mary PRATT has a new return address in Lansing, Michigan. Shades of "Gone With The Wind" and Nathaniel Hawthorne, but it is only a temporary address until their former residence in West

Virginia sells. Anyone interested call, write or contact via Federal Express. She also enclosed a photo taken at Mary Woolford's in July. Seems "The Grande Dame's" hats were fascinating to



Hats off to all

all. Those present modeled for an accommodating photographer, Al Cherne. The Pratts are very involved — Lanny is Assistant Vice-President with the Robert A. McNeil Corporation, a property management firm. Mary is Director of the Learning Tree Pre-School in DeWitt. And of course, the children are still growing.

Rat and Bill RENZ have been on the run since leaving Omena on Labor Day. Rat served on jury duty from mid September until the first week in October. The second week in October saw them in St. Louis — while Bill worked, Rat took in the sights. After being home for several days, they returned to Omena for a week. Since then their plans include a few occasional trips to Columbus to try and keep track of Bill who is in his first year of dental school. They expect Cynnie and her husband John to be in Cincinnati for Thanksgiving. Rat is planning only to have twelve for Thanksgiving Dinner — a small crowd for the Renz'!

Your co-editors and families had an interesting fall. A daughter and niece (same person) Karen TONNEBERGER was married in England so family and several close friends made the trip and the tour. The family were, in order of seniority: Frank GAFFNEY (uncle), Ron Tonneberger (father), Mary Tonneberger (mother), Bonnie Nauts (aunt), Ruth Nauts (cousin), Scott Tonneberger (brother), Nana Kennedy (close friend of Mary), Nicki Villars (close friend and Karen's college roommate) also toured. The South and West Coasts of England were visited along with London, the



Your editors on assignment in London!

Cotswolds, Bath, Oxford and assorted other places. Lectures and slides can be arranged

through the BREEZE or by personal visitation next summer. Other family notes. The bride and husband Roger Edgley are living in Hong Kong. Scott is at Johns Hopkins International Center in Bologna, Italy for his junior year. Watch for him on TV at Christmas. He'll be the one standing next to the Pope. The rest of us are living in our same digs (English — it doesn't take long to change) with more adventures to come. Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night.

Filed by
Frank Gaffney

In Memoriam Robert W. Weiss 1930-1985

The members of OTYC extend their condolences to the family of Robert W. Weiss, who passed away on November 11th, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy, and their four children: Meg Weiss of Cincinnati, Sue Weiss Owen and family of Anaheim, California, Bob, Junior and wife, Lisa of Champaign, Illinois and Tim Weiss of Killington, Vermont. He is also survived by his brother, Jack, of South Bend, Indiana.

Bob has been coming to Omena for over forty-five years. The Weiss' summer home has been in the family for 32 years.

Bob had served for three years on the OTYC Board of Directors and was always vitally interested in the welfare of the club. He was always willing to help, no matter what was asked of him.

Bob will be remembered and sadly missed by his many friends both in Omena and Cincinnati.

Charles Mercker 1967-1985

All of us were saddened to learn of the unexpected death of Charlie, son of members Fran Leverentz and Andrew Mercker, brother of Emily and Andy Mercker. Charlie was born in Evanston, Illinois and spent his youth in the Chicago suburbs with summers in Omena. He recently graduated from New Trier High School in Winnetka where he was active in many extra-curricular activities, including tennis. He was to begin in a university honors program this fall. In Omena, Charlie loved to sail and spend time with his many friends and family.

We will remember Charlie in different ways — a few lines from Chaucer are meaningful:

With him there was his son, a youthful
Squire,

A merry blade, a lover full of fire;
Scarce twenty years of age was he, I guess.
In stature he was of an average length,
Wondrously active, bright, and great in
strength . . .

Singing he was, or fluting, all the day —
He was as fresh as is the month of May.

He could make songs . . .

Joust, play and dance . . .

Yet he was humble, courteous and able . . .

MINUTES OF THE OTYC ANNUAL MEETING OF JULY 20, 1985

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Bill Renz at 10:15 A.M. at the Omena- Traverse Yacht Club.

In the absence of the secretary, Margaret Lyon was appointed acting secretary.

The following were present:

Bill Renz	Bob Harper
Mary A. Smith	Austin Jones
D.J. St. John	Harold Grossman
Margaret Lyon	Suzanne Mulligan
Elizabeth Keye	Kathy Bosco
Vernon Keye	Lynn E. Spitz-Nagel
Joan Roth	Lynn L. Spitz-Nagel
John Roth	Betsy Ehrhardt
Jonnie Hodgson	Carolin Renz
Caroline Oberndorf	Marion Jones (proxy to Austin Jones)
Ed Oberndorf	Carla Schwarze
Barbara Harris	Fred Schwarze
Mary Woolford	Dee Di Loreto
Harold H. Root	Mary Pratt
Mary Lou Root	Lanny Pratt
Kay Harris	Marilyn Lengyel
Genevra Grossman	P.C. Di Loreto
Steve Lengyel	

(A quorum was present.)

Jonnie Hodgson moved and Joan Roth seconded that we dispense with the reading of the minutes for the Annual Meeting of July 21, 1984. Motion carried.

The Treasurer distributed a Treasurer's Report for the period January 1, 1985 - July 15, 1985. It was pointed out that dues are coming in well; property taxes are up but not out of line with other real estate, and the youth instructor fees were not shown on this report as they had not been paid yet. Mary Woolford moved and Mary Pratt seconded that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit. Motion passed (Treasurer's Report attached).

OLD BUSINESS

Commodore Renz called for committee reports.

House and Grounds and Waterfront

Bob Harper reported the following:

In addition to the various details involved in the closing of the Clubhouse in September and the re-opening in June there were specific items accomplished:

1. The flagpole was lowered and a new halyard installed.
2. Screens were made and installed over crawl-space vents to prevent animals from wintering under the clubhouse.
3. The porch floor and much of its supporting structure was replaced and the support posts for the porch balcony were strengthened.
4. The OTYC sign on the road, stolen last year, was replaced.
5. At the request of the President, we arranged for a contractor to repair a washout behind the sea wall, remove beach stones, deliver a load of beach sand, and install a concrete

ramp to lengthen the existing launching ramp which was unusable due to the high water.

6. Arrangements were made to have the clubhouse professionally cleaned and the windows washed prior to opening this spring.
7. A contractor was hired to professionally clear the grounds of fallen branches and refuse, mow the lawn (twice), and clip the hedges.

I want to express my thanks to my fellow committee members for their advice and help during the past year, with special mention and thanks to Harold Grossman, Phil Di Loreto, and Vernon and Elizabeth Keye.

He also reported that all the boat slips are rented for this season.

Youth Committee

Rev. Lynn Spitz-Nagel reported the number of children in the Tennis and Sailing Program as of July 20, 1985 and the breakdown of members and non-members participating. He announced that over \$200 was made at the Youth Cook-Out. Seventy-two tickets were sold. He also announced past and future Wednesday activities. The report follows:

Sailing: Beginning class - 4 (all non-members)
Intermediate class - 1 (non-member)
Advanced class - 3 (1 non-member, 2 members)

Tennis: Beginning class - 5 (all non-members)
Intermediate class - 3 (members)
Advanced class - 3 (2 members, 1 non-member)

Wednesday activities: July 10 - trip to Sand Dunes
July 17 - Cook-out, 72 tickets sold @ \$200+

Events coming up: Arnie's Funland, overnight at the Club

Saturday, August 3: Youth Sailing Regatta at Northport Point involving Omena, Leland and Northport Point

Sailing

Suzie Mulligan reported that her report was the same as the Youth Committee.

Tennis

Jonnie Hodgson reported that the tennis court is in good shape. We need more players and children in the program.

Social Committee

Kathy Bosco reviewed the OTYC Social Calendar. Opening dinner was a great success with 126 adults and 9 children. Theta Burke gave a lovely talk on her poetry at the opening potluck dinner, which was a great success in spite of no electricity, no facilities and no water. Kathy urged everyone to come and hear Mary Woolford talk on how to travel inexpensively and to attend the Square Dance on Saturday, July 27 — please make reservations. She

announced the social events for the rest of the summer, which are as follows:

Wednesday, July 24: Potluck - Mary Woolford - "Traveling Economically"

Saturday, July 27: Summer Dance - Square Dance (Don Day, caller)

Wednesday, July 31: Potluck - Fashion Show (Acorn Shop, Leland)

Wednesday, August 7: Potluck - "Evening on the Bay (boats)"

Saturday, August 10: Commodore's Reception and Founder's Fund Dinner - catered (Beech Tree)

Wednesday, August 14: Potluck - Follow-up Annual Meeting and Appreciation Night

Wednesday, August 21: Potluck - Music from the "Pointe"

Wednesday, August 28: Potluck

Special Activities Committee

Barbara Harris reported:

So far, there have been no special activities planned for this summer. One suggestion has come from a member. It would be for a group of interested members to go on the "Cocktail Cruise" offered by the Manitou Island Transit out of Leland. This cruise takes place on Lake Michigan; costs \$8.00 per adult and lasts two hours. If enough interest is shown, arrangements can be made. Since a busy social calendar is planned for July and August, special activities are probably not needed. We encourage all OTYC members to support the club by attending these functions.

Your special activities chairperson will be selling OTYC bumper stickers and our new, unique line of OTYC jewelry. This jewelry may be seen in the display case in the vestibule. It will be available at all potlucks and at the Harris' cottage.

Membership Committee

Betsy Ehrhardt gave the following report for John Ray. Bill Renz explained guest membership and youth dues as decided by the Board this year.

The membership of the Omena Traverse Yacht Club currently stands at 112 family units. During the past year, the Club accepted the membership of Guenther and Jean Mueller of Cincinnati, Ohio. Two family units resigned: Edmund and Judy Coughlan of Cincinnati, Ohio and William Rockwood of Northport, Michigan.

During the summer of 1985, a guest membership application has been received from Pamela Elizabeth Townsend of Saginaw, Michigan. Pamela is the daughter of Harold and Gennie Grossman.

Founder's Fund

John Roth explained that the Founder's Fund had been set up so that OTYC members could contribute money to the Yacht Club to be

used in case of great need or catastrophe. No money has been donated lately except the profits from the Founder's Fund Dinner. As of June 30, 1985 the account has the following balances.:

Old Kent Business	
Savings Account:	\$1,316.49
Old Kent Certificate of Deposit:	1,608.35
Midwest Group - Short Term Gov't Fund:	1,831.43
Total:	\$4,756.27

The calendar 1984 report follows:

Only one deposit of \$100 was received from the Commodore's Dinner. No donations were received.

The interest received on the three accounts was:

Business Savings account:	\$ 65.62
Certificate of Deposit:	113.71
(Both are at Old Kent, formerly T.C. State Bank, Suttons Bay Branch)	
Midwest Group, short-term Gov't Funds:	152.10
Total:	\$ 331.43

Balance, December 31, 1984:

Old Kent Business	
Savings account:	\$1,281.07
Certificate of Deposit	1,548.83
Midwest short-term Gov'ts:	1,765.66
Total:	\$4,595.56

Breeze Report

Co-editors Frank Gaffney and Mary Tonneberger reported that two issues of the BREEZE were published (December and May) in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Numerous members contributed letters about their family's activities. For future issues, photos taken at the summer events will be most welcome along with copies of old photos that reflect changes of the area over the years.

The Commodore thanked all the Chairmen and their committees for all their hard work and for helping to make it an enjoyable summer for all.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee Report (read by Betsy Ehrhardt)

As published in the May 1985 BREEZE the Nominating Committee wishes to recommend the following slate of candidates for Omena- Traverse Yacht Club. These Board members' terms will expire September 15, 1988:

Barbara Harris
Vicki Sova
Lynn F. Spitz-Nagel

It was moved by Suzie Mulligan and seconded by Mary Lou Root that the Nominating Committee Report be accepted. It passed unanimously. Those going off the Board as of September 15, 1985 are: Fred Schwarze, Mary Smith, Bob Weiss. The Commodore thanked them for all their time and effort.

Change in By-Laws — Article VIIIa

The Commodore read Article VIIIa as it now reads and then read the proposed change, which is as follows:

"Initial membership for a new family shall be \$360.00 at the time the applicant is approved for membership, including the \$250.00 initiation fee. The initial family membership will apply to all adult members, except for those whose parents are currently members in good standing and who have continued payment of youth membership dues."

There was some discussion pro and con. Carolin Renz moved and Jonnie Hodgson seconded that the proposed change in the By-Laws, Article VIIIa, be approved as read and as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Harold Grossman questioned our liability insurance status if we advertise lessons available to anyone. Liability is carried for all Board members. It was suggested that the Youth Instructors also be included in the Club insurance if they are not already. The OTYC insurance policy will be checked and liability insurance reconsidered if necessary.

Mary Pratt was appointed to the Youth Committee at her request.

Mary Smith urged us to get to know the many new people moving into our neighborhood and consider recommending them as new OTYC members.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

Margy Lyon
Acting Secretary

EDITORS' NOTES

Many of you have been mobile this year. The Tonnebergers and Gaffneys visited Mary Woolford and the Coughlans (Ed and Judy) over Thanksgiving. Coughlans have moved into a beautiful new apartment overlooking downtown Cincinnati. It was great fun to see them after a few years of missing the trip to Ohio.

Others have sent in changes of address. In addition to informing the treasurer, please drop a postcard to your editor by mid-March if any address information is different from that printed on the enclosed members' list.

The December 5 edition of the LEELANAU ENTERPRISE tells of a violent storm to hit the peninsula — M-22 washed out in places. We can all imagine how the hardy natives are doing — many are migrating it seems in January.

Think summer — many inquiries about available summer cottages are already being made. In the spring edition of the BREEZE if you would like to list your name and telephone number as one who has information on a summer cottage rental, please send a postcard by April 15 to Mary Tonneberger, 645 Greentree, Ada, Michigan 49301

Many of you are aware that the Historical Writers Group has published A HISTORY OF LEELANAU TOWNSHIP. On occasion, we will print excerpts pertaining to Omena.

In this edition of the BREEZE, we start with the derivation of the name, Omena:

Omena

The arrival of the Rev. Peter Dougherty, in 1852, marks the beginning of Omena's history. From Old Mission, he moved across the Bay to establish, for the Indians, a New Mission on the high land known today as Omena Heights. Omena Point is still sometimes called New Mission Point.

Rev. Dougherty referred to the Mission church as the Grove Hill New Mission church; and Rev. George Smith, in his diary, called Dougherty's Presbyterian establishment Grove Hill Seminary, but the Indians apparently gave Omena its official name. Ruth Craker, granddaughter of George A. Craker who arrived in 1852 with the Doughertys, tells us in her book, *First Protestant Mission in The Grand Traverse Region*: "Many times the Indians came to Dougherty to ask a question or give him an interesting bit of information about something, and he invariably replied in the Indian tongue, 'O-me-nah', meaning 'Is it so?'" The Indians were amused with his answer and gave him the nickname O-me-nah. Miss Craker says that the Indians thought their name for Dougherty would be an appropriate name for the New Mission.

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January 1 to July 15, 1985

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	Interest	475.67
		<u>\$ 5,475.67</u>
Checking Acct		\$ 6,099.43

RECEIPTS:	Initiation Fees	\$ 250.00	
	Regular Membership Dues	8,025.00	
	Youth Membership Dues	330.00	
	BREEZE Subscriptions	312.00	
	Check-Book Interest	214.63	
	Dock Fees	220.00	
	Parties/Dinners	912.54	
	Donation	25.00	<u>\$10,289.17</u>
			<u>\$16,388.60</u>

EXPENSES:	Telephone	\$ 156.94	
	Electricity	54.45	
	Office Supplies	86.89	
	BREEZE Printing	1,246.58	
	Clerical	208.00	
	Special Events	53.00	
	House/Grounds Maintenance	528.75	
	Water-Front Maintenance	60.70	
	Parties/Dinners	943.80	
	Misc. Fund Raisers	1,183.97	
	Petty Cash	50.00	
	Misc.	18.78	<u>\$ 4,572.58</u>

Balance on Hand — July 15, 1985	Checking Acct	\$11,797.24
	Cert. of Deposit	\$ 5,475.67

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