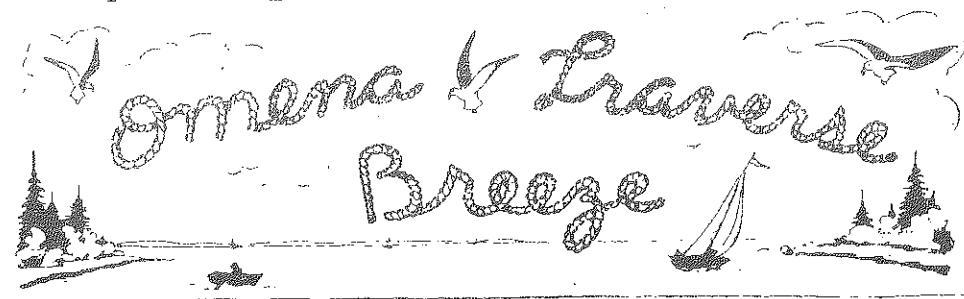


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Commodore's Message Spring 1986

In mid-March, Rat and I headed north to Omena for a long weekend between snow and ice storms. We found that the high water and the ravages of winter had taken their toll on the Yacht Club, as it had much of the water front property. We have had some damage to the end of the dock and the launching ramp. As far as the rest of the facilities are concerned, everything else survived in great shape. I have been assured that everything will be "Ship Shape" by Opening Day, as it always is, thanks to Bob Harper, Harold Grossman, Phil DiLoreto and Bob's committee.

Opening Day Dinner will be catered on Saturday, July 5th with arrangements made by Mary Smith and her able committee. As in many years gone by, this will be the first chance of the season to really catch up on all the news since last summer.

Our Sailing and Tennis program will start on Monday morning, July 7th at 9 AM. Lessons will be on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings with races on Thursday and Sunday afternoons, not to mention the Wednesday events. Once again I want to remind you one and all that this is our club and we need not only your support but also your enthusiasm to make these programs work. If you don't play tennis or sail, I hope you will come to the Club to cheer our teams and your favorite sailor or tennis champ on to victory.

The ads we ran for a Sailing Instructor have attracted many fine applicants and we are presently in the final throws of selecting our Sailing Instructor for the 1986 season.

The tennis program will be under the able direction of Bill Renz, who will be back for his third season. Bill will, along with the Sailing Instructor, work with the students for the Wed-

nesday outings. I am sure they will have some great adventures planned for all.

I have been informed that our new kitchen has been completed well in advance for this summer's potlucks and special functions. This is the culmination of many years of planning and saving, not to mention the input the members of the present and many past Boards to make this dream come true. I want to invite everyone to come view the results.

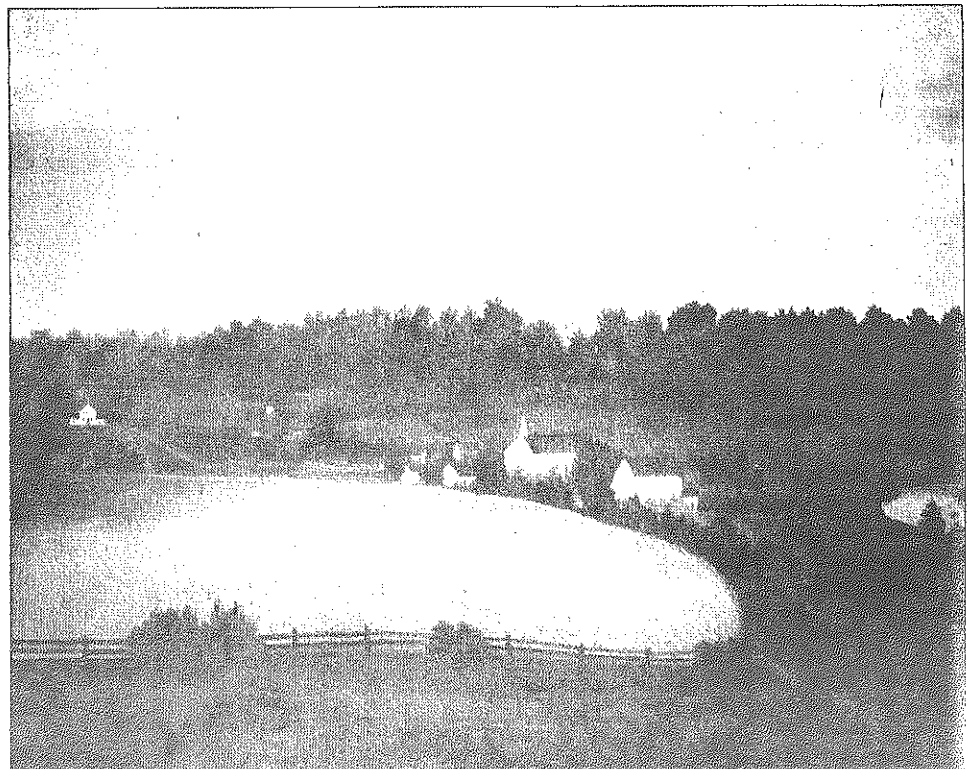
The Committees have been appointed and are listed elsewhere in this BREEZE. If you feel

you would like to be on a committee and the Commodore forgot to appoint you, please contact the Chairperson of that committee of interest. Enthusiastic committees do the work that pulls the summer programs together. The success or failure of a summer's program is in their hands — and that's why I know 1986 will be a fantastic summer for one and all.

Both Rat and I look forward to seeing you, one and all, on the shores of Omena Bay on July 5th (or sooner).

Bill Renz
Commodore

OMENA — 1800's



(see Editor's notes on page 6)

THE OMENA-TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB BREEZE

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Terms ending September 15, 1986:

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Margaret Lyon
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Terms ending September 15, 1987:

Robert Bailey
Mary Helen Ray
William Renz

SCHEDULE OF FEES:

Permanent Membership:

Family Initiation Fee (including children up to 24 years of age) \$360.00

Adult Annual Dues (ages 24 or more as of January 1) \$55.00
as voted by the Board in 1981)

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

Guest Membership:

Adult Dues per family \$110.00
Adult Dues per single adult \$55.00
Junior Dues (14-23 years) \$11.00

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Some supplementary notes from Chairman, John Ray.

PERMANENT MEMBERSHIP:

1. For permanent membership, two (2) letters of recommendation must be received from current members in different family units.
2. For permanent membership, the prospective applicant must be known to at least five (5) of the nine (9) current Board members.
3. A family membership shall include a husband and wife and their children under the age of 14.
4. All married-adults must take out a family membership.
5. A single-adult membership is available to unmarried persons eighteen (18) years of age and over.
6. Unmarried children of members between the ages of 14 and 23 inclusive must become Junior Members in order to use the facilities of the Club. No initiation fee is required for junior membership. A junior member may, after the age of eighteen, elect to become an adult member and to pay adult membership dues. A junior member shall not be entitled to vote on Club business.

GUEST MEMBERSHIP:

1. One letter of recommendation is required for a guest membership.
2. After two (2) years of guest membership, a permanent membership must be taken out.

The conditions of membership in the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club are subject to annual review and modification by the Board of Directors of the Club.

ANNUAL OTYC MEETING
Saturday, July 19, 10 A.M.
at the Club.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The nominating committee wishes to recommend the following slate of candidates for Omena Traverse Yacht Club. Board Members terms to expire September 15, 1989.

Waldo Abbot
Margaret Lyon
William Sandt

Candidates will be voted upon at the annual meeting July 20, 1986.

John Ray, Chairperson
Nancy Weiss
Guenther Mueller
Mary Woolford
William Renz, Board Advisor

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

1986 OTYC CALENDAR

JULY

5	Saturday	Opening Dinner
7	Monday	Youth Program starts
9	Wednesday	Potluck —
16	Wednesday	Potluck—
19	Saturday	10 AM - ANNUAL MEETING
23	Wednesday	Potluck —
26	Saturday	Square Dance
30	Wednesday	Potluck

AUGUST

2	Saturday	
6	Wednesday	Potluck —
9	Saturday	Commodore's Reception & Founders' Fund Dinner
13	Wednesday	Potluck —
20	Wednesday	Potluck —
27	Wednesday	Potluck —

SEPTEMBER

3	Wednesday	Potluck —
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ATTENTION — ILLUSTRIOUS SENIOR MEMBERS

Your Board would like to keep "track" of those approaching the FOUR SCORE MARK. Please notify D. J. St. John, Treasurer, when your 79th birthday has been celebrated. More surprises to come!

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NOTICE:

A meeting of all members of the Social Committee will be held at Mary Smith's on Wednesday, July 2, 1986 at 9:30 a.m. If there are any questions or ideas, please call Mary at 386-7328.

OTYC COMMITTEES, 1986 SEASON:

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Mary Smith, Chairperson
 Ping Abbot
 Mary Anderson
 Kathy Bosco
 Dee DiLoreto
 Betsy Ehrhardt
 Dorie Gaffney
 Betty Gregory
 Alice Gelakoski
 Jonnie Hodgson
 Elizabeth Keye
 Ann Leathery
 Marilyn Lengyl
 Margy Lyon
 Grace Mack
 Paula McMenamy
 Chris Misangyi
 Gina Moore
 Martina Moore
 Jean Mueller
 Suzie Mulligan
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 Nancy Sandt
 Jane Saxton
 Carla Schwarze
 Vicki Sova
 Holly Smith
 Lynn Spitz-Nagel
 Mary Tonneberger
 Nancy Weiss
 Mary Woolford

MEMBERSHIP & NOMINATING

John Ray, Chairperson
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 Nancy Weiss
 Mary Woolford

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Vicki Sova, Chairperson
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 Cindy Harris
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 Jonnie Hodgson
 Marilyn Lengyl
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 Ann Harper
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 Guenther Mueller
 Jack Stephenson

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 John Harris
 Cindy Harris
 Austin Jones
 Jed Mooney
 John Ray
 Kevin Ray
 Tim Weiss

TENNIS

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PROPOSED CHANGE IN THE BY-LAWS OF THE OMENA-TRAVERSE YACHT CLUB, AS REVISED JULY 1983.

ARTICLE VIIIa, TO READ 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."



COUNTY HISTORY BOOKS AVAILABLE

Many reference books on the history and development of various sections of Leelanau County are generally available at local libraries. The list includes, but is not limited to:

"Remembering Yesterday" by the Kasson Heritage Group.

"100 years in Leelanau" by Edmund M. Littell.

"History of Leelanau Township".

"Beautiful Glen Arbor Township" by Rob Rader.

"Some Other Day" by the Empire Area Heritage Group.

The Suttons Bay Centennial, 1854-1954.

"Remembering Empire in Pictures" by David and Diane Taghon.

The Lake Leelanau Centennial book.

"Northport Centennial — 100 years, 1849-1949".

EDITORS' NOTES

Your co-editor is somewhat of a history buff — Mary Helen Ray can testify to that! In the December issue we started a section on the history of Omena. It will be developed from excerpts from *A History of Leelanau Township*, the *Breeze*, *Leelanau Enterprise* and other sources, including personal reminiscences. What follows was reprinted in the February 27, 1986 issue of the *Enterprise*.

At Peshawbestown resides some of the Indians whose ancestors made the wilderness their home and hunting ground — an intermarried mixture of Chippewa and Ottawa Indians who had made up the Peshaba tribe.

The settlement, formerly known as Eagletown and later as Peshabytown, was established by a band of Ottawas who came south from Cross Village, near the Straits of Mackinac, in 1852. Until 1855 they were attended spiritually by Fr. Angelus van Paemel, a Catholic priest who had his mission headquarters at Harbor Springs.

Then Fr. Ingatious Mrak, who had labored among Indians for many years and who afterward became the bishop of Marquette, arrived and built a church and schoolhouse.

— from "100 years in Leelanau"

The oil painting reproduced on page 1 represents the community at Omena as it looked when viewed from the location of the present Yacht Club, sometime between 1852-71. The

original painting was made by Henrietta ("Nettie") Dougherty, daughter of the Reverend Peter Dougherty, early leader in the New Mission and Presbyterian Church of Omena.

And from the April, 1986 issue of *Michigan Living*, the Travel Editor of the *Chicago Tribune* writes:

With no prompting by the chamber of commerce, the locals here refer to the Grand Traverse region as "God's country." They are not kidding. They really believe it.

Farther north in Omena, another simple town but one that surprisingly boasts a yacht club with members from 17 states, and stunning homes tucked away in the woods on Omena Point. The village is a must stop for those on the crafts trails because of the Tamarack Craftsmen Gallery.

An Austrian-born woman who opened her chaletlike home, on Omena Point facing Grand Traverse Bay, to bed-and-breakfast guests asserted that the view from her living room was better than anything in her native country or in Hawaii, where her daughter lives.

We all had an uncanny feeling that someone would find us — sooner or later.

Have a delightful summer — will see you all soon.

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NOTICE:

The Opening Day Dinner will be at the Clubhouse on Saturday, July 5th. Happy Hour starts at 5:30 p.m. with a catered dinner served at 6:30 p.m. For reservations please contact Mary Smith, 3526 Zumstein Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45208 or in Omena after July 1st. See the enclosed form for reservations.