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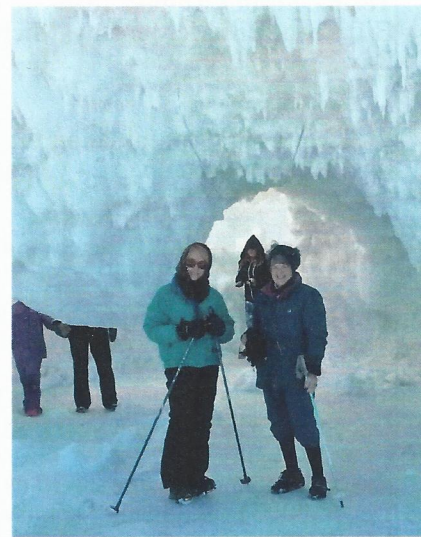
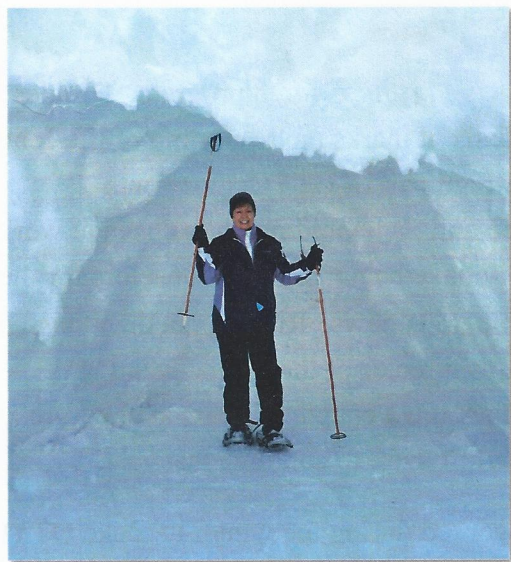
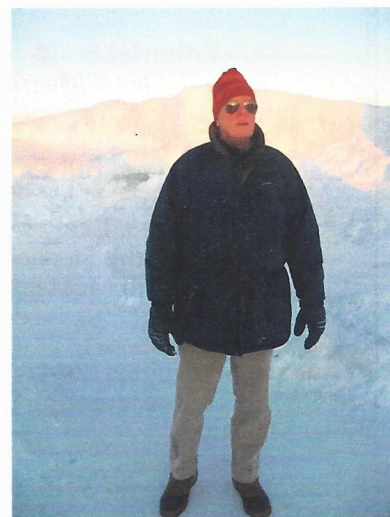
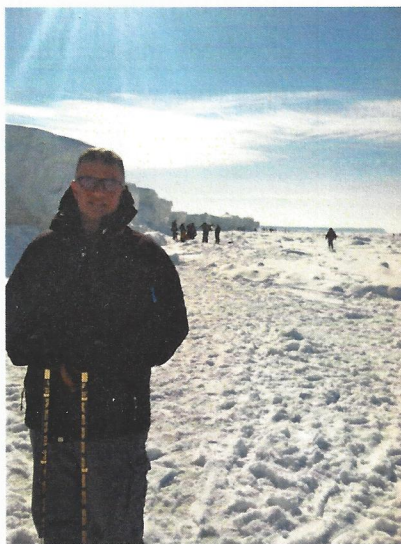
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Adult Annual dues: (per single adult): \$140.00*

Junior Annual Dues:(ages 14-23 as of December 31 of current year): \$15

Associate: a person age 24-30 as of December 31, and his/her spouse, if any, who has been a junior member each year since eligible: 50% of adult dues.

Guest Membership: same categories and cost as above.

* In addition a \$15 Breeze subscription

The Breeze...All the news that fits we print.

Commodore's Corner

It certainly has been a winter to remember (or forget). However, after more than 250 inches of snow and record breaking cold, it is time to turn our thoughts to summer in Omena and gatherings at the OTYC. Our social committee co-chairs, Karen DeVries and Georgie Disselkoen, have been busy planning a fun filled schedule beginning with the opening dinner on June 22. Jim Miller, Bob Krist and Bob Grabowski who chair the building, ground and waterfront committees have made sure the facilities and grounds are in excellent shape. The window project last year was a welcome addition. This year, as soon as weather permits, the plan is to refinish the floor and continue our ongoing painting and maintenance program for the exterior. Last year, Marcia Biskupski led the renovation of the kitchen. It is ready for the celebrations to begin. Lastly, the beach has been improved with the removal of the rocks and piling from the old pier and the addition of new sand.

Other committees have also been active this past winter. The membership committee of Martha Moffett, Cathy Stephenson, and Joan Brovins have worked on updating the membership section of our by-laws. There were several items that needed to be addressed, and the committee has skillfully addressed these issues. They will be presenting their proposed bylaw changes to the membership for action.

A very important part of the club is the summer youth program. Besides teaching basic sailing and tennis skills, it marks the beginning of life-long friendships that have been an important part of OTYC. Our youth committee co-chairs of Trish Bosco and Sara Goldman have been at work organizing the summer camp. They have begun to hire counselors for the program and recently received some great news. Rich Connell and his wife Hannah have agreed to come back as director of the camp. Many will remember them and the great job they did a couple of years ago, before family circumstances would not permit them to continue last year.

Again, thanks to those who have worked during the winter to make OTYC an even better place.

Let the summer and the fun begin! See you soon!

Bill



Important Dates

Memorial Day Cocktail Party
Sunday May 25th 5 -7 pm

Clean-Up Day
Saturday June 7th

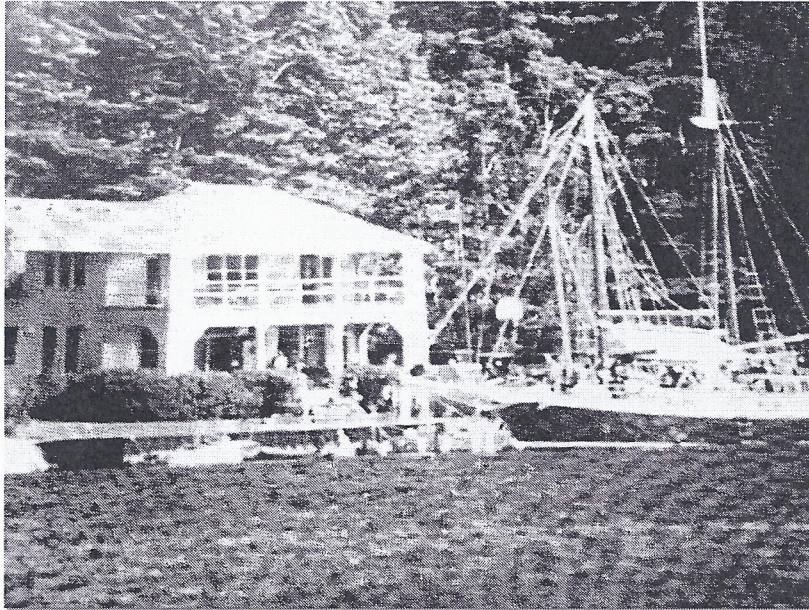
Opening Dinner
Sunday June 22nd 6 PM

Nominating Committee Report 2014

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present the following slate for the OTYC Board:

Michael Adelson
Libby Mustaine
Cathy Stephenson

Respectfully submitted,
Dick Kennedy, Kathy Turner, Doni Lystra, Chair



Inland Seas anchored at the OTYC dock in the summer of 1994

Notice of Annual Meeting

10:00 am Saturday, July 12, 2014

OTYC Clubhouse

A vote will be taken on proposed amendments to the Bylaws, previously revised in 2006. **It is essential that *all members attend the Annual Meeting and vote or return a proxy in advance.*** Please review the accompanying Summary of Proposed Changes to the Bylaws and complete and return the enclosed proxy by July 1 if you will be unable to attend the meeting.

Summary of OTYC Bylaw

The Membership Committee prepared this summary to highlight changes in the revised OTYC Bylaws (enclosed). Please direct any questions or comments to Committee member Joan Brovins [lawmode@bellsouth.net]. The current Bylaws (amended 2006) are available on the OTYC website [www.otyc.net, *About Us*]. Revisions are referenced in the parentheses.

1. Change: Associate and Junior classifications are eliminated; children of all ages under 26 are now included with Family Membership (Article I B 2 & Article I B 4).

Explanation: Few Juniors opt for Associate membership and even fewer Associates opt for full adult membership. Young persons 14 and older continue to be family members but are not permitted to use the Club unless their parent or grandparent (who is a full adult member) is present. By including all young family members through age 25 in our Family classification, youth participation will be welcomed and encouraged. In addition, the administrative burden of tracking and billing parents for additional dues of the few youths eligible and/or signed up for the Junior/Associate designation does not justify continuing with these classifications given the minimal participation.

2. Change: The age of a child included under the Family classification has been increased from "under 14" and is now through age 25 (Article I B 1 a & b).

Explanation: This is related to the elimination of Junior and Associate classifications which required payment of additional dues for membership and use of the Club by children over 13; now, all children continue as Club members under the Family membership classification without a separate dues payment in order for them to continue to enjoy the Club as family members through age 25. Including minor and dependent children is consistent with a Family club membership.

3. Change: Family membership classification has been broadened to recognize family status consistent with current societal realities and practices (Article I B 1 a).

Explanation: This expanded definition allows eligible adult couples, with or without children under age 26,

to apply for family membership where they reside together in a recognized family unit, but remain unmarried by choice or otherwise, for reasons unrelated to their family relationship and/or domestic partnership status. Examples would include older adult couples who remain unmarried due to estate planning or social security benefit considerations; those who remain unmarried for religious reasons or prohibitions, or due to other personal and/or external considerations.

4. Change: Lifetime member classification is eliminated (Article I B 1 c and Article I C 2). This change will not affect those who have been previously granted Lifetime membership status.

Explanation: The Board is concerned with our financial stability heading into the future, as well as in the present. Most of our members remain active and participate in OTYC events well into their advanced age, thankfully being much longer than was the expectation many years ago when the Lifetime Classification was established. It is reasonable to expect members to provide continuing financial support to the Club in exchange for enjoying the privileges of ongoing membership. Annual Dues are the major source of revenue for ever increasing operating expenses, fees, and financing other routine expenditures, not capital projects or extraordinary expenditures. The Board believes it is important to have sufficient revenue to meet financial obligations without increasing dues annually across the board and raising initiation fees. OTYC dues have remained very modest over the many years, as has the initiation fee for new applicants. If the Board wishes to recognize and honor a member who has made significant contributions to the club over the course of many years of membership, the Board remains free to do so in any manner deemed appropriate.

Note: Those members with continuing Lifetime membership status may choose to pay future annual dues, in whole or in part, as their voluntary gesture of support.

5. Change: Honorary member classification is eliminated (Article I B 1 d).

Explanation: In more recent times, there has been infrequent use of this classification. Should the board wish, it may bestow an honor upon a member for a



specific period (such as the current year) without providing for an honors designation in the Bylaws.

6. Change: Guest membership is clarified (Article I B 2).

Explanation: The current practice of accepting a Guest member for one year (but no more than two years) prior to joining and becoming a full, voting member was inconsistent with the Bylaws. Added language eliminates the ambiguity and confirms the objective of the Guest membership period as an opportunity to evaluate potential OTYC membership by both the Guest member and the Board.

7. Change: Clarified application procedure and transition from Guest to full Adult membership (Article I B 2 and Article I C 1 e).

Explanation: Since Guest membership is a mutual evaluation period, an affirmation is required. The Guest member must confirm their interest and make a request to join OTYC. In turn, the Board will consider the request, along with an evaluation of the applicant, before deciding. Board approval is discretionary and is required before the Guest member transitions to full, voting member. Any membership limitations then in effect may influence the timing of an applicant's transition from Guest to full member.

8. Change: Elimination of A & B geographic boundaries & related waiting lists (Article I C 1 f).

Explanation: This provision was crafted when the potential of a massive 500 condominium unit and commercial development at the former Timbershores campground threatened the Omena community. This massive development is no longer viable and almost half of the land targeted for the density bonus was sold to agricultural interests as of December 31, 2013. The process adopted in 2006 was never attempted and, given the steps outlined, would be extremely burdensome if not impossible to comprehend, maintain and administer. The established

geographic boundaries have been overlooked since taking effect and membership has expanded beyond the Omena peninsula with no adverse and many positive effects. While the core membership population remains and is expected to remain within the Omena peninsula, the summer participation of second and third generation families has diminished due to time and long-distance travel constraints. Considering such factors, the entire provision is ineffective and poses unnecessary constraints. Moreover, the OTYC Board continues to have full authority to establish limitations on memberships and determine preferred geographic boundaries should either become desirable in the future. Such determinations are within the sole discretion of the Board and may be made at any time without needing to be referenced in the Bylaws.

9. Change: Revisions to timing and criteria for termination of membership (Article I E).

Explanation: Dues are invoiced in January and, if unpaid, membership would be terminated the next August 1. Previously, membership was not terminated until two full calendar years had passed; this resulted in some delinquent members enjoying full access to and use of all Club amenities and allowed them to attend all social events for not one, but up to two entire summer seasons without paying dues. Additionally, the Board may suspend or terminate membership for any unpaid dues, fees, or assessments. The Board has the discretion to establish the procedure for such suspension along with other operating policies.

10. Change: Clarification regarding obligations to pay special assessments (Article II 5).

Explanation: A Guest member has an opportunity to enjoy all the amenities, benefits and events available to full members during their term of Guest membership (which may be up to two years). When a Guest member transitions to full membership, fairness requires them to pay any special assessments approved during the period while they were Guest members (i.e., being the two years before they become full members).

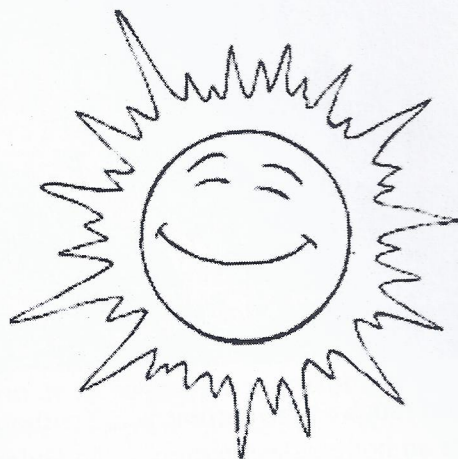
11. Change: Elimination of the Founders Fund (Article VI).

Explanation: The Founders Fund no longer exists. In the late 1990's, the Fund's assets were transferred to and consolidated with another OTYC account. The funds were designated to be used for the Preservation and Safety of the Club. Since the Fund was liquidated so many years ago and never reestablished as a separate entity with its own governing board (as

mandated), and there is no expectation of doing so in the future, the provision has been deleted to remove reference to this non-existent entity and its non-existent Board of Directors.

12. Change: Corrections of minor errors, edits of awkward language or phrases and general housekeeping.

Explanation: This opportunity for the Membership Committee to make substantive revisions presented a corresponding opportunity to clean up, update and simplify the Bylaws language and correct typographical errors. These text revisions did not change the meaning of any provision nor did they deviate from the intent of the original language. These edits preserve and improve the Bylaws.



NEWS from the MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

Resignations:

Helen Bradley/Henry Beardsley
Bernice Frohman
Guenther Mueller
Tim and Brenda White

Deaths:

Jonnie Hodgson 9/27/13
Pat Kulick 2/20/14
Stu Mulligan 3/10/14
Marion Jones 3/14

Would you like to receive next year's dues invoice by email? If yes, please confirm by emailing Martha Moffett.

Membership Committee is looking for new additions to the committee. Our work is done throughout the year, and is usually completed before the high season of summer. We are not limited by geography. We operate efficiently using email and/or conference call. Word or Excel knowledge is a plus. We create the Membership directory, summer phone list, issue membership application packages to interested parties, process new applications, review and recommend changes to policies and procedures for membership matters. Contact Martha Moffett if you're interested.

Address, email, phone or cell phones changes? Remember to notify OTYC if any of these change. A listing for "summer street address" is available in the *Membership Directory*. If you would like your summer street address added to the Directory, please email or contact Martha Moffett. Membership Directory space allows one preferred email address and one preferred cell phone number. Please provide the name of the member associated with the email address and/or cell phone number if you choose to list such contact information.

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TID BITS

Kathy Bosco reports: Mike and I had a trip of a life time last November. We went around the world on a 757 private jet on an exploration of the world's greatest treasures and legendary places. Leaving from Miami, Florida we went to Peru, Easter Island, Samoa, Australia, Jordan, Cambodia, India, Tanzania and Morocco. The trip included 12 countries, 5 continents and flew 30,000 miles. The places we visited were enhanced by PhD college professors who lectured on art history, anthropology and religion making our travels even more unique. This was truly a life changing journey.



Kathy and Mike Bosco in India

Karen Edgley reports: This has been a traveling year for us, as we have been overseas since September 1st. We began our year in the Hague, in the Netherlands, and then nearby in Delft, enjoying the cycling and the parks and the small town atmosphere there. Our main side trip was a drive through the Alsace Region with my parents, dropping them in Basle for their river

cruise. Roger has been working as usual, from temporary offices, in our various locations. I am teaching 7th grade to Tess, homeschooling is going well, as we have so many interesting field trips and topics to learn about. After spending Christmas with Roger's family in Cornwall, we moved to Singapore for two months, enjoying the longest spell without rain that they have had since 1867, another strange weather pattern from climate change. Our only side trip in Asia was a week in Cambodia, visiting Angkor Wat with a wonderful tour guide recommended by Michael Ray. Now we are back in London for the spring, with the flowers in bloom and lovely mild weather. During this time, Alexander has been at school in Traverse City, Claire in Northfield Minnesota, and Katherine around the world while taking a gap year before starting college at Middlebury in September. We all look forward to getting back to Michigan in the summer!

Carla and Bruce Cunningham As we write this note, we are in Minnesota where we are on another "Interim-Ministry" assignment.

It has been a cold and snowy year in St. Cloud, Minnesota....something like the winter in Omena this year. Here we just had a few too many -40s and -50s!

We spent last August "taking our workshop" to New Mexico, visiting grandchild #16 in Bozeman, Montana, and then heading to Minnesota for the "Interim Interview".

After Easter, if it ever stops snowing, we are headed to Ann Arbor, Michigan where our granddaughter, Anna Storey will graduate from the University of Michigan. Then, on to Richmond, Virginia where granddaughter Krystin Schwarze will graduate from The University of Richmond.

Hopefully, we will be able to get to San Diego, California where grandson, Mike Bosco will graduate from The University of San Diego and on to law school.

May will end with a trip to San Antonio, Texas, where Bruce will officiate at the Wedding of another granddaughter, Jessica Ball!

It's a good thing our church in St. Cloud understands about family!

Back to Minnesota the first of June, and home to Omena sometime this summer we hope.

It will be good to be home.

Have a wonderful spring and summer....and see you all when it gets warmer somewhere!

Roberta & Allan Cohen, of Omena, travelled in early April, to the uppermost level of Machu Picchu, the breathtaking architectural marvel set high up in the Andes mountains, in Peru. Machu Picchu was built by the Incas over 500 years ago.

"We loved visiting Peru...the ancient Inca ruins, the people, the food, the mountains...it was amazing!"
(picture of Roberta and Allan at Machu Picchu is on the back cover)

Bob and Jeanne Grabowski are happy to report the final stop on the Grabowski-Skorupa wedding circuit took place in Stonetown, Zanzibar on October 25th. Heather and Bart were married in St. Mary's Chapel amid the Mbweni Ruins, an 1880's historical site once supported by David Livingstone to house and school freed slaves. Following the ceremony, the guests boarded wooden dhows and set sail for the reception

site to enjoy dinner and dancing on the beach at Mtoni Marine.

Bob and Jeanne also made a stopover in Istanbul on their journey back home. They visited all the major attractions including a round trip boat tour on the Bosphorus River to and from the Black Sea. Interesting fact: The Bosphorus



divides the city of Istanbul between the continents of Europe and Asia.

Tom Oehmke and Joan Brovins send word from Casa Bahia in Key Largo, down in the northernmost territory of the Conch Republic. Tom and Joan had a good winter followed by a "Spring Break" in early April. They kept busy with several unanticipated and challenging work projects, in addition to preparing the annual updates to their big five volume book, *Commercial Arbitration 3d*, published by Thomson Reuters. Trips into Miami were made for both business and pleasure this season. Flamenco dancers and Art Basel continue to be an eye opener...the best comment heard at the international art exhibit was delivered by a lad of about 9 years of age after seeing the \$26,000 price on what appeared to be a hammock-like chair, suspended in midair which was littered with bits of rag and multi-colored strands of yarn: "This is just crazy!" There are many who would agree with such excited utterance. There were short sailing adventures aboard Tom's vessel "Sargassum" and sightings of creatures, including a young sea turtle and rarely seen white pelicans. Communal dinners with local friends were enjoyed on almost a weekly basis, featuring local seafood and all kinds of exotic fruit for dessert. Two trips were made to Key West this season to enjoy performances at the Red Barn theatre and art exhibits at the galleries. When all the work projects had been wrapped up (including Joan's off season OTYC Membership Committee duties) and the tax returns placed in the mail in early April, plans were made to take some extended time off to voyage by sea before heading back to Omena. However, April Fool's Day was more like a Halloween Trick: while out for their early morning walk, Joan was distracted and not mindful of the track ahead...which led to her taking quite the sail through the air, resulting in a fractured foot on the left and broken ribs on the right. As it turned out, convalescence was in order for their spring break. Captain Tom has been providing assisted living to the Admiral while she continues to gradually be on the mend. They look forward to an uneventful return to the north woods at the end of April and to resume participation in all summer fun activities, whether by land or by sea, with no restrictions whatsoever!

Mary and Ron Tonneberger spent a warm and wonderful March escaping the worst March on record in Omena. We migrated between two resorts in the Puerta Vallarta, Mexico area, linking up with Judy and Dave Pohlod one evening at a favorite seafood restaurant near the marina. Claire Edgley, our oldest granddaughter, joined us for a week of relaxation, escaping the zero degree weather in Northfield, MN. The rest of the family are in various parts of the world.

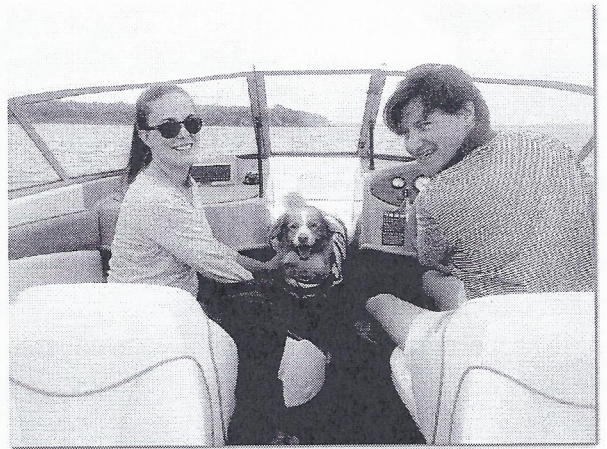


Mary and Ron Tonneberger with Claire Edgley

Marci Barr Abbot: What fun to see Omena in the winter- and what a winter to see it in! This was the fiercest winter that I can remember- still cold here but warming to the fifties tomorrow.

Ashton Abbot and her husband, Evan Uhlick, are moving to Greece this spring! Evan works for the Norwegian bank DNB and is being transferred to Athens to head the bank's Athen's office, primarily focused on providing corporate and investment banking solutions to the Greek maritime community. Ashton will be finishing her MBA at NYU's Stern School of Business this May and job hunting, packing and moving all at the same time. Ashton and Evan will be accompanied to Greece by their French Bulldog, Gordon. Lots of fun adventures are in store for these two!

Kim and Dennis Armbruster ventured out onto Lake Michigan off Gills Pier Road to see the ice caves in February. *(Picture of Kim in ice cave on cover)*



Ashton Abbot, Evan Uhlick and Gordon

Brenda Abbot Anderson: I recently showed one of my paintings at the Pacific Palisades Art Association (California) that was created last summer in Omena. The large oil on canvas piece was titled "Leland Shoreline". Everyone loved it!

I can't wait to get back this summer to record more beautiful memories. *Picture of Brenda and "Leland Shoreline" on back cover*

Charlotte Read picked the right week to play in the Omena snow in February. As soon as she arrived, everyone asked: "Have you seen the caves? Be sure to wear snow pants for sliding, and yak-tracks to prevent sliding!" Linda Kemper, Joan Blount and Charlotte spent an afternoon walking around the amazing ice cave displays off Gills Pier Road. An unforgettable experience. Thanks Nana for the loan of your yak-tracks. All the stores were sold out!

Charlotte had another fun experience in late March. Alan's granddaughter, Lacey, was married in Tucson, and it was a great time for Charlotte to be together with more Reads at the wedding. She spent one night with OTYC members Jeff and Cindy White, who recently bought a lovely home in Tucson. See everyone in June!

The Coopers: We drove up from Cincinnati to see our piece of heaven in 200" of snow. While exploring OTYC, Nancy Cooper remarked, "It was pretty amazing...absolutely the coldest place we were all weekend with the brisk wind off Omena Bay and

giant drifts on the south side of the building it must have been 20 degrees below zero wind chill! (*Picture on back cover*)

Mary Helen and John Ray shared: On March 22 on Sanibel Island, FL we hosted an "Omena South" gathering at our condo for cocktails and then out for dinner at a local restaurant. Participants in addition to us are the Oberndorfs, Husteds, Balases, Coopers, Marty Bills and Michael Ray, all of whom are on or



"Omena South" (March) on Sanibel Island, FL.
Pictured are Coopers, Balas, Rays, Husted, Oberndorf, and Marty Bills Photo by Mike Ray

near the island.

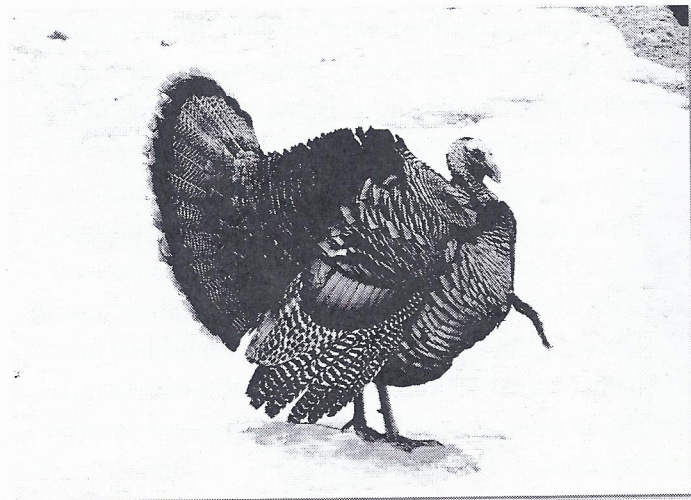
On March 18 the Rays entertained Bob and Kris Mampe for lunch followed by a tour of Sanibel and Captiva Islands.

Also, we are scheduled in May for a trip to Venice, Croatia and Slovenia.

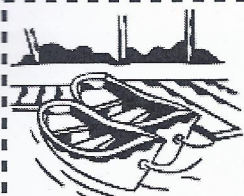
The California Bosc had an amazing trip to Belize this spring to celebrate Matt and Trish's 20th wedding anniversary. They spent the first part of the trip in Punta Gorda exploring the jungle, chocolate farms and volunteering at a school in a small Mayan village. They escaped the howler monkeys and alligators along the Rio Grande river to enjoy some quiet beachtime in Placencia. Snorkeling 22 miles off shore in the Silk Cayes, they were admiring several nurse sharks and a 5 ft stingray, when a 4 ft loggerhead turtle snuck up behind them and started chomping on the youngest and most delicious family

member, Grace. Unfortunately, the confused creature broke Grace's finger but thankfully left them all intact. That same night Matt was awoken by a painful sting to his head by a scorpion while he slept. Numb and frazzled, the weary travelers opted to cancel the scheduled jaguar tour in fear of being eaten by a puma. (Trish and Kate figured they were next) The rest of the vacation was restful and uneventful with white sand, cool drinks and beautiful blue water to look at. Kind of like Omena.... "we look forward to more adventures this summer!"

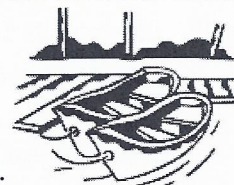
Jim and Kathy Miller report that they have survived the record winter of 2014. The 243 inches of snow and record cold created many interesting events. Jim heard the Omena Bay froze to a depth of one-two feet deep allowing not only walkers but also snowmobiles and cars to cross the bay. The snow pile along the berm in front of their home reached ten feet high. The pictures of the pilings and road sign (on back cover) say it all. Jim also reported he has never seen so many deer in the area and they have reeked havoc on their flower garden. Jim and Karen resorted to parking their car near the garden and through the night occasionally would unlock and lock the doors with the hope of detouring the deer. As Jim said, "The fake coyote ain't gettin'er done no more."



Another friendly visitor to the Miller's yard.



2014 OTYC Slip Rental



\$100.00 per week

No charge to members for a 24 stay as long as slip is not previously rented.

Limit twice per month.

There are presently three slips available and maybe four depending on water depth.

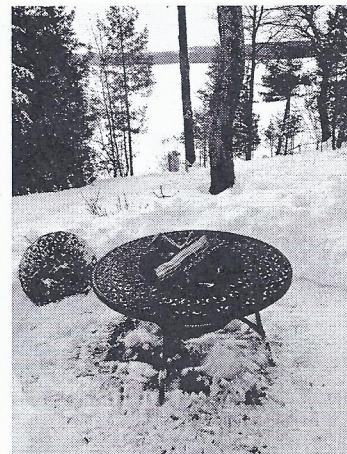
Please contact either waterfront directors.

Bob Grabowski 231-386-9810 rmg21144@aol.com

Bernie Gros 231-225-0188 lazy3g@yahoo.com

Note from the Editors:

For many of us Winter 2014 has been a long one. The Magrins (minus Maggie) were able to get to Omena in February to experience the epic winter. Mom and Dad, Dick and Nana Kennedy, were exceptional hosts as usual for their daughters and families. We were lucky to have a few days in the low 30's so in true Omena fashion we spent our days outside. We explored the ice caves, walked ON and all over Omena Bay and enjoyed our evening cocktails around the fire-pit on the patio. We even were fortunate enough to attend a winter Toddy Time.



We decided to use pictures from the caves as our cover to show just how amazing this natural wonder was. At first as we walked out 100-200 feet onto the frozen Lake Michigan we thought that although it was cool to walk on Lake Michigan we didn't really see any big caves. It was only when we reached what was the top of a bluff of ice that we realized Mother Nature's amazing display. Since it was President's Day weekend, the Gill's Pier area was crowded with young and old alike. Everyone helped each other find and slide down ice slides to get down to the flat frozen lake. Turning to face the Michigan shoreline...there they were...caves blown out of the dunes of ice.

Every time we visit Omena we are reminded how fortunate we are to be able to visit such a beautiful spot and share it with AMAZING family and friends!

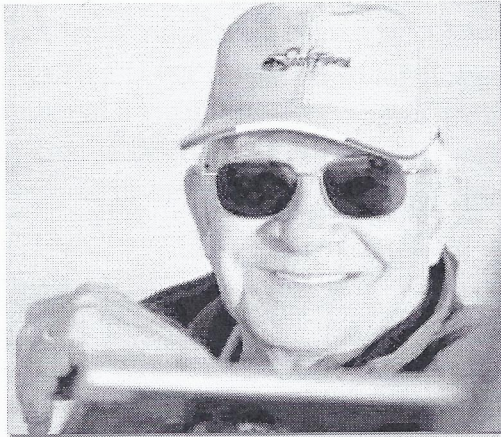
Keep the info and pictures coming!

Cheers!

Kerry & David Magrini



IN LOVING MEMORY



John H. Mulligan (Stu), of Omena, passed away on March 10th at Sacred Heart Hospital in Pensacola, Florida, with his family by his side. Stu was born on November 10, 1932 in Johnstown, New York, the son of Forrest Dryden Mulligan and Ethel Tuttle Mulligan, they made their home in Gloversville, New York, where he graduated from high school in 1950. He was the loving husband of H. Suzanne (Jones) Mulligan, whom he married on February 4, 1956 in the First Methodist Church, in Birmingham, Michigan.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Suzie Mulligan, of Omena; his son, Scott (Karen) of San Jose, CA; son, Daniel of Grand Rapids; son, Robert (Natalia) of Grand Rapids; brother, Richard (Nancy) of Redlands, CA; as well as six grandsons, Tim, Cavan, Kyle, Jack, Ian, and Connor.

A 1954 University of Illinois graduate, he served his country as a naval aviator flying jets off the U.S.S. Hornet. In 1960 he began a thirty year career as a commercial pilot with United Airlines. He collected hobbies and loved the adventure of life but was always most passionate about his family and sailing.

There will be a family gathering to celebrate his life later this Spring.

Contributions in Stu's name may be made to the charity of the donor's choice, or to the family's suggested charity, Gilda's Club of Grand Rapids. Gilda's Club is a free cancer support community of children, adults, families and friends.



Marion Jones Omena lost a long-time summer resident and special friend and neighbor with the death of Marion Jones early April. Marion was the wife of Austin Jones, and sister-in-law of Suzie Mulligan. Marion was Professor Emeritus of Dance at Arizona State University, and also taught at Cornell University, Purdue University and the University of Rochester. She joined the ASU faculty in 1970 and served as Artistic Director of Desert Dance Theatre from 1988 to 2006. In 2013, she was awarded the Arizona Governor's "Arts in Education – Individual" **award**. She gave her last professional dance performance at the age of 84, almost 10 years ago.

Marion and Austin started coming to Omena in 1967. She loved Omena and all of her friends here. Our sympathies go to Austin, to her daughter and son, Elizabeth and Cleve, to Suzie, and to all of Marion's family and many friends. She will be missed.

Friends can send condolences to the family at the address below.

Liz and John Ettinger
6624 Cutting Blvd.
El Cerrito, CA 94530.



Patricia T. Kulick of Ocean Springs, MS & Omena MI died February 20, 2014, at 90 years old. Pat was a lifelong summer resident of Ingalls Bay in Omena.

She was born in Kansas City, Missouri on May 28, 1923. The daughter of Dr. Edward Harrison Taylor and Hazel Clark Taylor, Pat attended high school in Alexandria, Virginia. She received scholarships to attend Randolph Macon in Lynchburg, Virginia, graduating with honors and a degree in Math. She then attended the graduate program in Aeronautical Engineering at New York University. She was the first woman to be admitted to the program and the only woman in her class.

She became a leading expert in Reliability Engineering and her expertise was recognized by the U.S. Navy when she was selected to participate in sea trials to commission ships. She later worked on Nuclear Submarines in Groton, Connecticut, and Nuclear Destroyers on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi. Type to enter text

Pat worked for the aviation and space programs in Southern California. Her career spanned the development of ejector seats for military aircraft, the Apollo Saturn rocket program, the Manned Orbiting Laboratory and the Space Shuttle.

She retired from Ingalls Shipbuilding in 1985. Thereafter, she split her time between Omena and Ocean Springs, Mississippi. She loved traveling throughout Europe with her sons.

Pat was an ardent environmentalist and founded a chapter of the Sierra Club on the Gulf Coast in 1972. Over the last 42 years, the chapter has successfully fought many legal battles against groups dangerously polluting the Gulf wetlands, aquifers and wildlife.

She also helped found the Omena Cherry Basket, the Omena Village Preservation Association and the Historical Society. She also helped form the "second wave" of Omena Woods.

Pat was married to Joseph Verdery in 1945 and Robert Kulick in 1954. She was preceded in death by her brother Richard Taylor and sister, Jeanne Taylor. She is survived by her sons Christopher Verdery, David Kulick, and William Kulick, as well as a grandson, Henry Kulick.

A memorial service is tentatively planned for the first week of August at the Omena Cemetery.

*"We'll be Friends Forever, won't we Pooh? asked
Piglet.
Even longer, Pooh answered."*

A.A. Milne,
Winnie-the-Pooh



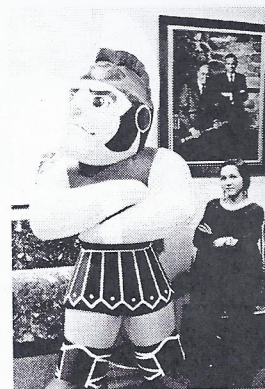
COLLEGE CORNER

**We have several of our members graduating from high school and off to college.
Good luck to you allwe know you will be GREAT**



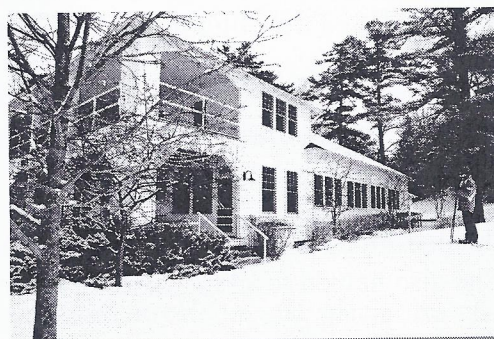
Cole going to SMU

Nellie List: University of Texas
Livvy List: Miami of Ohio
Anna Leathery: University of Kentucky
Janey Capers Newland: Furman University
Carley Wallace: Michigan State University
Katherine Edgley: Middlebury College
Cole Bristow: SMU
Gillian Brown: Hope College

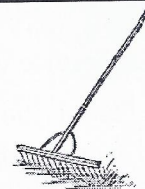


Carley and Sparty

*"What good is the warmth of
summer, without the cold of winter
to give it sweetness."* John Steinbeck



Grounds and Building Report



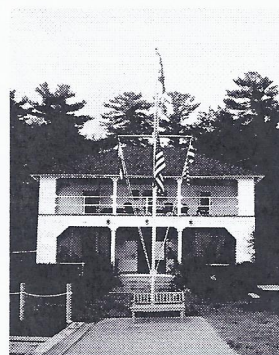
GROUND: We have added a new basketball & 4 square court in the parking lot. Basketballs and 4 square balls are in the back closet at the club and are available for all members and children. Beach sand will be replenished and sand will be added to the volleyball court.

BUILDING: The building has weathered this harsh winter with no visible damages (last time I checked anyway). We will continue with our annual maintenance (painting and minor repairs) of the exterior as soon as weather allows.

CLASSIFIED ADS

Cottage Rental

The Barth cottage on M-22, across from the church near Omena village, is available June, July and August for \$850/week. The location is 1/2 a block from the beach. The cottage has 3 bedrooms and washer/dryer. Contact Kathy at 602-956-4322.



Vacation Rental:

Enjoy glorious sunsets overlooking Omena Bay in a 4 bedroom, 2 bath cottage. Modern kitchen with dishwasher. Hi-speed internet available. Sleeps 8 Mid-June through mid-October. NO PETS. Pictures and more details at www.VRBO.com listing #86756. Contact Mary Helen and John Ray at JHRMHR@gmail.com.

Newport Cottage on Ingalls Bay

Available 6/28-7/5, 8/16-8/23 & 8/30-10/15

Enjoy sunsets, northern lights and swimming from the sugar sand beach!

Cathy Stephenson [773-415-5500](tel:773-415-5500)

Northport:

Charming small house in Northport, close to Marina, Library and Barb's.

Sleeps 4-6. \$1,150 per week in Summer. Call Mary Lou or Martine at 231-633-9684

Boat for Sale

17' Boston Whaler, 90 horse outboard engine with depth finder and bimini top. Also shore station with hoist motor powered by boat battery.

Contact Jane Saxton [254-776-7915](tel:254-776-7915) (or Omena [231-386-5229](tel:231-386-5229) after June 17th)

janesaxton95@yahoo.com or sswheeler@austin.rr.com

A Limerick

shared by Larry Reynolds

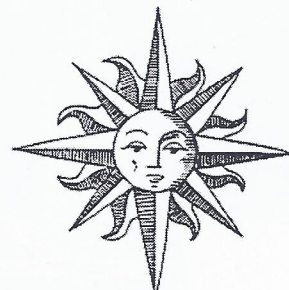
There once was a young lady banker,
Who slept while her ship lay at anchor.

She awoke in dismay

When she heard the mate say:

"Now hoist up the top sheet and spanker".

anon





Nancy Cooper in front of OTYC in February



Roberta and Allan Cohen in Machu Picchu



Winter Toddy Time at the Balas'



Brenda Abbot Anderson in front of her painting "Leland Shoreline"



Fun winter pictures from Jim Miller

