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Seasons' Greetings From Omena, Christmas 1965



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From the Editor: The pen and ink drawing on the cover of this issue is from an original water-color sketch made by one of our club members. Unfortunately it was not signed so we do not know to whom to give credit. Won't the real artist please let me know who she or he is?

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Commodore's Message

To everyone, Marion and I wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The past summer weatherwise left a lot to be desired, but we will hope that next summer's weather will be good enough to make up for it. One thing that very definitely has improved is the Lake Michigan water level which at this writing is higher than anytime in 1963, 1964 or 1965. The U. S. Engineers six-months prognostication as of October leads one to believe that we have now turned the corner and will have higher water levels for some years to come. This makes for better fishing, sailing, and swimming.

The club is tucked away for the winter and now only waiting for that July 4th - Turkey Dinner and You.

During the past season the clubs activities of all kinds from Tennis to Sailing to Pot Lucks to Entertainments seemed to indicate that the clubs facilities helped everyone enjoy his vacation time. We are particularly happy that the Adult Pot Lucks on Tuesday nights worked out so well. We averaged 30 people. This takes the load off the Wednesday nights when many times in the past, chairs and tables were scarce. We will try Tuesday nights again in the '66 season.

John Roth, Mary Woolford and Audrey Fisher are our new replacement Directors and will certainly be welcomed at our first Directors meeting in early July. All members are urgently requested to send in new ideas and recommendations to be considered at this meeting.

It goes without saying that it is the very wonderful and unselfish volunteer work of the members, committees, and directors that make things tick at the club. As Commodore, I hope that I thanked each of you for your efforts this past summer and please let me have your cooperation again next season. Our Dock and Sailing problems have yet to be solved so if you can come up with a workable idea let's have it.

The best of everything to you all.

Crammy Finn

T.C. Lightning Captures George Smith Regatta Trophy

By Helen Gregory

The George S. Smith Memorial Lightning Regatta was held at Omena Bay on July 24, under perfect sailing conditions, with eleven Lightnings from Omena and Traverse City participating in the two-race regatta.

Both races were won handily by Traverse City skipper Ken Lindsay with the help of his well-trained crew, consisting of his wife, Alice, and son Kenny.

Gordon Cornwell, also of Traverse, pulled down second place, while Bob Newland, first of the Omena skippers, was third.

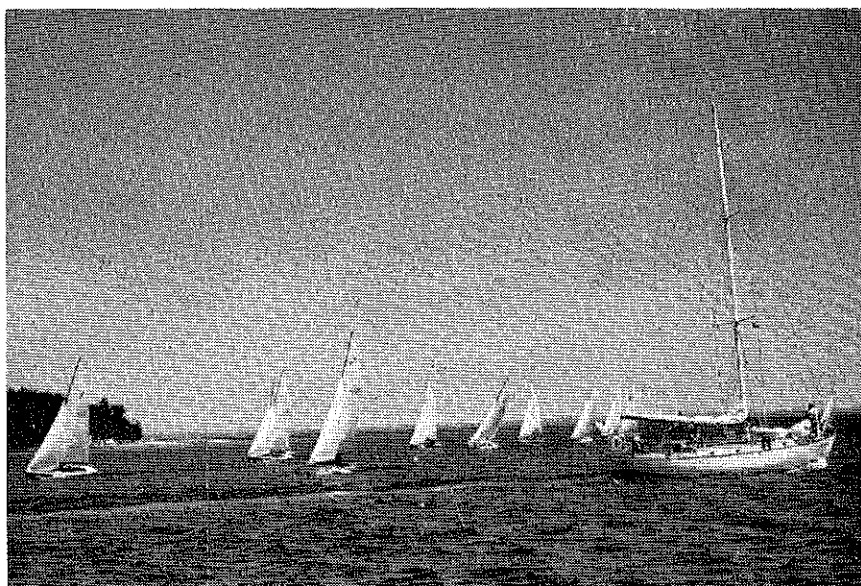
Contributing greatly to the success of the regatta were the various stake boats that pointed out the marks on the long seven-legged course. Also helpful was Shep Tate, who manned the crash boat and ALMOST had a customer when Bob New-

land came very close to capsizing. And indispensable to Norm Johanning and the race committee was intrepid John Ray, who struggled mightily with the anchors on the committee boat.

The day of racing was followed by a buffet dinner for all participants at the Smith residence, where Preston Smith presented the perpetual trophy to Ken Lindsay.

The complete results are as follows:

Boat	Skipper	Final		
7227	Ken Lindsay	1	1	1
8208	Gordon Cornwell	2	3	2
8282	Bob Newland	4	2	3
9333	John McGuffin	6	4	4
7344	Don Owens	5	5	4
8338	Bill Van Epps	3	8	6
9293	Dick Thirlby	7	6	7
1602	Carl Koch	9	7	8
2723	Bob Reed	8	11	9
6244	Al Cherne	DNF	9	10
3008	Ed Lyon	10	10	10



Rounding the buoy at Omena Pointe - the last leg of the race. Al Belfour's cutter, "Elysia", serving as stake boat.

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A Good Sailing Year

Lightning Class skippers had an unusually enjoyable and interesting summer of racing when more boats entered competition than for several years past. All OTYC Lightnings raced, plus Tiger, No. 8282, which Bob Newland chartered from Traverse City. The combination of Bob's capable skippering and Tiger being a good boat would probably have given Bob the season championship had he been able to remain in Omena for enough races.

Bob Morse started off with a bang, winning the first race of the season in his Whistlewing, and getting his name on the old jug which is the trophy for this race. In fact, Bob won both races on the first day.

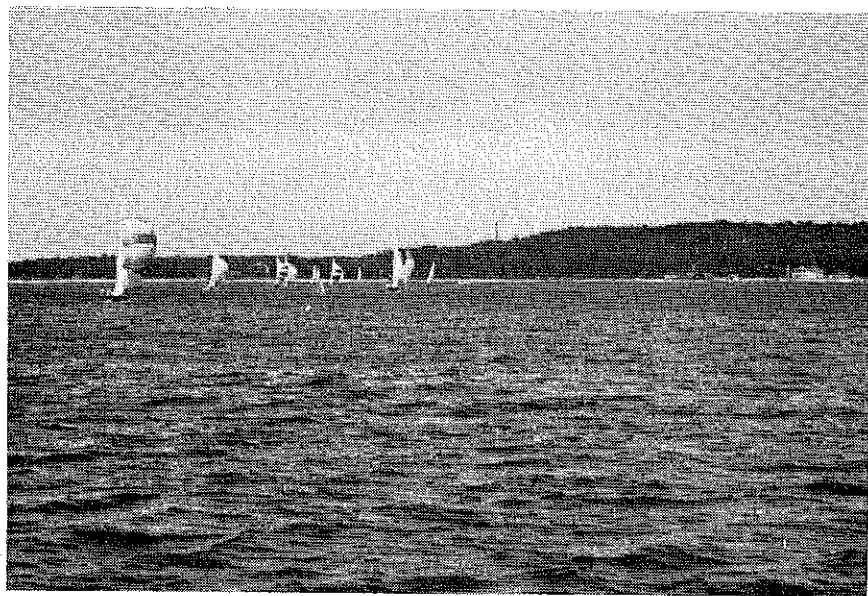
Bob followed up this auspicious start with enough successes during the summer to enable him to nose out by $1\frac{1}{2}$ points the perennial champion of many previous years, the Johanning-Cherne Queen Bee, and give Bob the season championship and possession of the beautiful Schaefer Trophy Cup until next year. This is the first time in fifteen years of racing at OTYC that Bob has won the championship.

A high point of the summer for the Lightning Class was the set of races for the George S. Smith Memorial Trophy, for which Traverse City Yacht Club brought up to OTYC a large group of their Lightnings. This big event is described, with pictures, elsewhere in this issue.

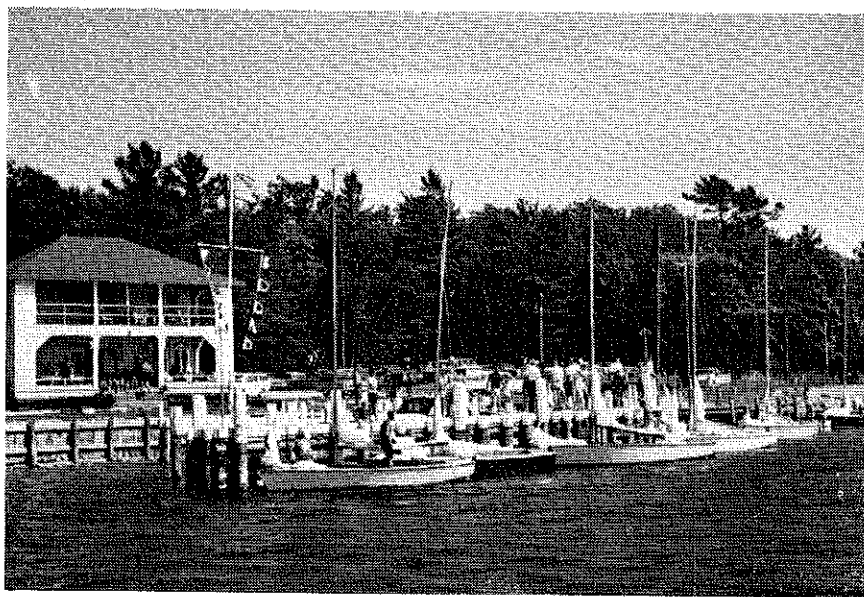
FINAL STANDINGS SUMMER - 1965

Morse	#2327	Whistlewing	20	$\frac{3}{4}$
Johanning-Cherne	#6244	Queen Bee	19	$\frac{1}{4}$
Foltz-Finn	#4238		12	$\frac{1}{4}$
Lyon	#3008	Bedlam	10	$\frac{1}{4}$
Newland	#8282	Tiger	8	$\frac{1}{2}$
Koch	#1602	Talisman	5	

Editor's Note: Martha Smith phoned to tell me that Christi Husby, who was tentatively to take charge of the youth program in the capacity of counselor, is unable to qualify for the position due to the fact she is unable to prepare adequately in life-saving. Difficulty in scheduling this in her university program has left the OTYC again in the position of not having a counselor for 1966 season. So if any member has an idea of where we can contact a possible qualified young person to take charge, please get in touch with Martha as soon as possible.



2nd leg of race, showing spinnakers unfurled. Note Club-house across the Bay.



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BENJAMIN FOLTZ, Omena, Mich.

Annual Meeting - Committee Reports

The 18th Annual Meeting of the Omena Traverse Yacht Club was held at the Club House, on August 12, 1965, and called to order by the Commodore, Crampton Finn, with 36 members answering the roll call. It was moved by Joan Roth and seconded by Marilyn Graf that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried. Commodore Finn then read his report of the season's activities. His entire report has been filed for the record. He mentioned the annual 4th of July dinner under the supervision of Marion Finn and her committee was well attended and a profit of \$140.00 was realized. The showing of the fireworks had to be postponed due to the high winds and bad weather, but were later displayed on the following Wednesday evening. The Tuesday night dinners for adults only, which were new to our program this summer, were managed by Jane Jackson and Marian Finn and were very well attended. The Wednesday night family dinners were held as usual with Ellie Stephenson and Joan Roth in charge. Harriet White supplied the flower arrangements for the tables for both evenings during the summer, and their beauty helped to give our dinners a festive air. Commodore Finn thanked all who had helped to make the season a success. A "Thank you" also to Ben and Lillian Taylor for their gift of new membership cards in the new design, and for their help in editing the Breeze with Humphrey Jackson.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Racing: Bob Morse reported that the F.J.'s had raced on Ingalls Bay 3 days a week, 2 races a day, weather permitting. Final results are not yet in, but it was mentioned that Jonathan Cain, a new Junior Member, and with a new boat would possibly come in second. A good record for a beginner. More Lightning races were planned for next season. Flags for last year's races were not given out and it was suggested by Linda Cherne that they be placed in the Club House.

The George Smith Memorial Race was held at Omena this year, with skippers and crew being entertained by Helen and Preston Smith after the Races.

Membership: It was reported by Bob Morse that we have lost ten members this year—six by resignation, and four by death. We have taken in two new members, John Kemble and Waldo Abbot, Jr.

Ways and Means: Bob Morse still has maps on hand and they are for sale for \$10.00 each. Ainee Patterson still has sweat shirts on hand. Jim and Ruth Smiley report that they have sold \$10.30 worth of stationery, have 7 packages left. More will be ordered for next year. Burgees and lapel buttons, blazer insignias are available.

House Committee: Bob Reed, Chairman.

"During the 1965 season the House Committee directed it's attentions to the most needed jobs. Many of the canvas chairs from the lower deck were broken and useless. They have all been mended, with new Marine blue seats and backs, and should be useful for several seasons. The lower front deck is in bad condition with many of the board badly shredded. However, it seemed advisable to give it a coat of paint; the results were far from satisfactory. During the 1966 season it may be well to give the deck a heavy coat of filler and a topping of deck paint. The deck should not need replacing for several years. The large round table on the lower deck was given a coat of white paint and is now presentable. In answer to numerous complaints about the ventilation of the rest rooms, the committee, (Dan Bradley and Jim Smiley), removed the windows, refitted them so that they may now be opened. Screens were placed on the outside for the first time. The curtain on the stage is at present badly hung and will become shredded and useless unless steps are taken. At present the curtain is rolled to the top and should be left that way during the winter. A permanent solution can be worked out in the spring of 1966. The stage should no longer be a catch all for individual junk. The committee has carefully examined the Club building and equipment and will be prepared to make recommendations to the Board at the first meeting in 1966."

Social and Entertainment: Mary Louise Root, Chairman.

"I have enjoyed serving on the Calendar of Events Committee for 1965. Highlights of the season were the additional adult Pot Luck Suppers on Tuesday nights which were very successful, and several delightful evenings of travel pictures by Bob Morse. Everyone agrees that Bob is a most interesting narrator and shows unusually fine films.

We have had three evenings of Bingo which drew fairly large groups of adults and children. We are now looking forward to our Picnic and Sing on Sunday, August 15th at 6 o'clock. Gwen Pike will lead the singing. A 50 cent picnic supper will be served. A full moon should add to the evening's enjoyment.

We are also looking forward to the Commodore's Reception on Saturday, Aug. 21, at 8 o'clock. The committee consisting of Gwen Pike, Kay Groll, and Martha Smith are working hard to create atmosphere, entertainment, and good food for an evening of fun for all".

Youth Report: Jane Saxton.

"Because we were unable to find a Youth Director for our summer program, Al Cherne agreed to teach a Life Saving

Course which was completed in two weeks, with twelve girls and boys receiving certificates. Al also instructed seven sessions of sailing with ten to eighteen young people participating. He was assisted by Bob Newland. Johnnie Hodgson instructed eight sessions each of beginning, intermediate and advanced tennis which were attended by fifteen young people.

We wish to thank Al, Johnnie, and Bob for giving so generously of their time without them we would have had no program at all."

In addition to this report Jane asked how many were interested in the Youth Program and asked the support of all who showed interest. All present promised their support.

Grounds: Preston Smith.

The grass has been cut at regular intervals, and flower boxes planted and placed around deck.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Morse.

Report to the time of this meeting.

Cash on hand \$2,184.87 (\$2,099.00 at same date last year.)

All bills paid to date.

Bills to be paid rest of 1965 assumed to be about the same as 1964.

Dues paid to date \$1,435.00.

Dues not paid yet but expected \$100.00.

1965 estimate \$1,535.00, 1964 total \$1,680.00.

Difference about due to loss due to resignations and deaths.

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Coke machine is paid for - was approximately \$30.00 a year. Insurance cost has increased - is equal about to 1/4 of income.

Improvement Fund balance \$811.00. Must face expensive dock replacement soon.

Membership loss - Deaths 4.

Resignations 6 Total 10.

New members 2.

Expected still in 1965 1.

Before the report of the Nominating Committee Commodore Finn asked if any one had any further report or suggestions or requests. Martha Smith asked that the stage be cleared before the night of the Commodore's Reception. Bob Reed said the House Committee would co-operate. Next year we want the stage usable all season for entertainment. Harriette White said that she would like to contribute some kind of trophy to be given in Memory of her late husband, Halbert White. A Committee would decide how this was to be used. Mrs. White also asked if there were any volunteers who would offer their talents in redecorating the "Powder Room" Andy Renz spoke of the repair of the Dock, also told of the request that the Tennis Courts be lighted and reported that a representative from Consumers Power would come to give an estimate of the cost. He also asked the support of the Youth Program, feeling that this was very essential to the future of the Club. Linda Cherne and Jane Saxton reported that they had a prospect for Youth Director for next year.

Nominating Committee: Earl Moore Chairman, Mary Huff thanked the officers of the past year for their work. Her father was unable to be at the meeting. The report is as follows:

Pursuant to your appointment and charge, the members of your nominating

committee respectfully submit the following recommendations for officers and Board of Directors:

1. Officers: Since it has been customary for officers to serve for two one year terms, your committee has obtained assurance that the present officers are willing to accept re-election for a second term. These officers are:

Commodore, Crampton Finn: Vice-Commodore, Robert Reed: Rear Commodore, Norman Johanning: Secretary, Marjorie Renz: Assistant Secretary, Mary Helen Ray: Treasurer, Robert Morse.

In his giving assent to renomination for Rear Commodore, Mr. Johanning requested that the responsibility for the Sailing Races be delegated to another person.

2. Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors consists of the officers and five persons elected from Club members. The terms are for two years. On September 15, 1965, the terms of three members expire. For replacement the following are recommended for two year terms each, expiring September 15, 1967: John Roth, Mary Woolford, Audrey Fisher.

Members of Nominating Committee: Earl Moore Chairman, Jane Saxton, Ellie Stephenson. It was moved by Helen Reed, seconded by Mary Huff that we accept the report of the Nominating Committee, and that the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for these candidates. Motion carried.

Moved by Ainee Patterson, seconded by Jane Saxton that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Marjorie Renz, Sec'y

Treasurer's Report

For Period Oct. 31, 1964 to Oct. 31, 1965

Cash Balance October 31, 1964\$1,652.70

Cash Receipts

Membership Dues	\$1,662.50
Subscriptions, BREEZE	176.00
Ads, BREEZE	148.00
Dockage	166.00
Initiation and tax	30.00
Souvenirs and Snack Bar	350.61
Parties and Dinners	231.50
Youth Program	
Miscellaneous	6.10

Total Cash Receipts\$2,770.71

Cash Disbursements

Telephone & Electricity	\$ 179.32
Postage & Stationery	32.31
Maintenance and Operation	361.12
Insurance	560.71
Real Estate Taxes	56.79
Bookkeeping Service	84.00
Yacht Club Dues	40.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	39.90
BREEZE Printing, etc.	275.51
Souvenirs and Snack Bar	260.45
Parties and Dinners	63.44
Youth Program	48.00
Printing Checks (not in last yr. report)	4.29

Total Cash Disbursements\$2,005.84
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements\$ 764.87

CASH BALANCE Oct. 31, 1965\$2,417.57

Robert L. Morse, Treasurer

TREASURER'S REPORT

IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT

For Period Oct. 31, 1964 to Oct. 31, 1965

Cash Balance October 31, 1964\$ 703.99

Cash Receipts

Improvement Fund Donations 208.00

Total Cash Receipts\$ 208.00

Cash Disbursements

None\$
\$ 911.99

Cash Balance October 31, 1965\$ 911.99

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Notes From Omena

By Hazel Taylor

November 9, 1965

Tonight is the night of a full "hunter's moon", when old Chief Koo-Koosh's ghost will walk again in what used to be an Indian cemetery near the old town of Louisville, near what is now Peterson's Park. Koo-Koosh meaning pig, was not his real name, but he had earned the title by claiming more than his chief's share of salvage when a schooner was wrecked on neighboring shores. Koo-Koosh's real name has been lost to the memory of man, but not his ghost! Persons of staunch integrity have seen it! More often it has been seen in the horse-and-buggy days, when the startled horse would rear up in the shafts at the sight, and the occupants of the buggy would have the moonlight scared out of them! Nowadays, young people in sports cars may go too fast to get a glimpse of Koo-Koosh's winding sheet, but should they choose to tarry on the night of a full hunter's moon, without doubt they would see his ghost winding its way up from the shore and into the resting place he had occupied before his protesting bones were taken up and re-interred near Menomonee in the UP.

Several local hunters have gone to the UP where the deer season begins one week before it does here. But just in case some remain who believe all the deer, at least the buck, in our woods have not been killed in previous years, I have been busy posting the Clark woods. A pity that I may not post all of Ingalls Bayside, but one may not post another's land without his permission. Few places on Omena Point are posted, and two buck were killed there last year, one a lame deer. If no hunter with a "no antler" permit comes this way, this year, the two doe and a fawn that Liz and Ernie Clark and I watched at twilight drinking from Ernie's harbor, may survive another year. Helen Smith says that the deer do not molest her orchard. The ground yew in our woods affords them abundant food.

The "fall blend" was as glorious as ever, but often displayed its splendor under grey and weeping skies. Many of our OTYC members returned for the color tours: the Morses and friends, the Jacksons, the Stephensons, the Hagemanns, the Groils, Janet Tate and friends, Marge Rule and the Wickemeyers, the Renz and others. The Weisses stayed late as did the Johannings until Bernice's illness hastened them to Cincinnati for her medical and surgical care. Martha Feely stayed late, also, entertaining the Wm. Feelys, Jr., and a friend Martha Harris who drove her back to Georgia. Beth Marthas attended the last

OTYC supper at the Bowens charming place on Grand Traverse, east of Suttons Bay. The Marthas and the Morses were here, too, for the testimonial supper some of us had at the Foltz home for our Horace Wheeler who has retired as Omena's Postmaster after 17 years of Service. During the fall, the Finns toured Canada eastward to Quebec and Nova Scotia. Preston Smith drove to our eastern states and returned through Canada. He and Helen made several trips to Cincinnati; the Wheelers several trips to Chicago and on to Wisconsin. The Milroys made a trip to California.

Now in November, bare, grey branches are etched against a threatening sky; only young saplings, shrubs and poplars hold clutches of red or gold above the brown carpeted earth. Wailing gales speed the racing white-caps in the bays, and hurl clouds of sand against the snow fences standing guard along northward sloping beaches. Orchard growers like Helen Smith have been hard put to get pickers to harvest the apples before they might become windfalls. Some householders have tried in vain, as I have done, to discover where the mice enter their cottages. Traps are set, and I at least, hope that Ernie Clark, Jack Stephenson or some other hardy male will happen along to release the dead mice from the traps, because Chris now a KU student is no longer here to help.

But despite the chores of late autumn, the social life of Omena goes on. Leona Milroy and Mary Foltz have won prizes in the Traverse City Friendly Garden Club's flower show, for which Mary made the plan. Mary was active, too, in the Zonta Club's holiday festival. The Omena Woman's Club to which four OTYC members now belong, celebrated its 50th anniversary. In the early days, several cottagers of Omena Point and Ingalls Bayside were summer members. Geneieve Smith and Anna Brown are still in the Post Office, Gigi as Temporary Postmaster. Local folk still meet at the post office and discuss local happenings and world events, and then go next door to air their philosophies and firm convictions with Ernie Barth.

The little, century-old Omena church has been the scene of another wedding — that of Marjorie Bader, originally an Omena girl, and Mr. William Gilbert of Denver Colorado. They came from Chicago in order to be married in Omena! Unfortunately, the Reverend William Marbach was too ill to come for the ceremony. The pastor of Omena's Presbyterian Church for 37 summers, Dr. Marbach passed away on Nov. 4, in Melrose Park, Ill. The whole

Omena community was deeply grieved, also, to hear of the passing of our OTYC member Raymond Flett. His cordial fellowship and good works will be long remembered.

Pumpkins, squash and jugs of cider remaining on road-side stands, and the picture of a plump, baked turkey on the wall of Barth's Store are urgent reminders that Halloween has passed and Thanksgiving is upon us. A request from Editor Fumphyrey makes us realize that Christmas will be here soon, and that he must have news for the Breeze by Nov. 17, in order that you may have the issue before Christmas. To all OTYC members, your friends in Omena and vicinity wish you a Christmas of inner peace and goodwill, — if it be not ringing with gaiety and merrymaking, may it glow with the warmth of lasting friendships and cherished memories. And may the New Year fulfill your fondest dreams!

Flying Juniors Fly

By Helen Gregory

Growing enthusiasm for sailing was evidenced last summer, in young folks and old, and by the increased participation in the Flying Junior races.

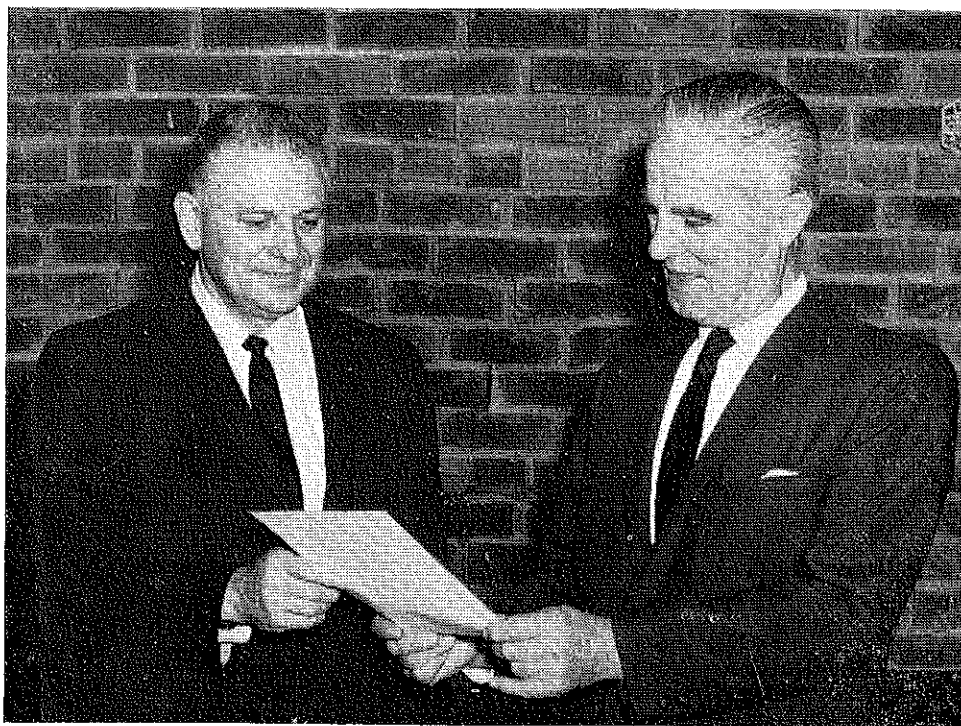
Seven races were held on Ingalls Bay, with more than enough skippers and crew on hand to man the four boats. With scores based on five races that the majority of skippers sailed, Bob Gregory won the series. Stewart Fisher, who improved steadily all summer was second; Doug Graf third, and John Roth fourth. Bill Reed and Bob Newland sailed only two races and had a third and fourth each. Bill even sailed his Sailfish in one of the races and almost caught up with the pack.

Meanwhile, back at Omena Bay, the F. J's scooted over one Sunday to tag along after the Lightnings. Bob Gregory won the two races while Jon Cain, over from Suttons Bay, got a second and a third. Stewart Fisher was going along fine in the first race until he misread the course and went for the wrong mark. He came in second in the next one, though, and led twice during the race. Bill Reed, in a somewhat untuned boat, was consistent with two fourths.

All in all, 'twas a great sailing summer. Next year, if John Roth can stay out of irons and if Doug Graf's delicate book vang holds up, there should be more races and much closer competition.

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Our Postmaster Retires



William Bonek, left, of Suttons Bay presents a certificate of recognition from the National Association of Postmasters to Horace P. Wheeler, who is retiring as postmaster of Omena after 17 years. Bonek made the presentation at a gathering of Leelanau county postmasters at Glen Arbor Saturday evening. Photo by Guyles Dame

Summer residents will miss a familiar face at the Omena Post Office next summer as Horace P. Wheeler, postmaster at Omena for the past 17 years reached retirement age in September. Saturday, September 25th Horace was honored at a retirement dinner at the Clark residence on Glen Lake. A Certificate of Retirement from the Post Office Department for "devotion to duty in the course of an honorable career in the United States Postal Service," was presented to Horace. He was also presented a certificate of recognition of his membership in the National Association of Postmasters.

Recently a surprise party and a sterling silver bowl was given to Horace Wheeler, by friends of the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club in recognition of his many courtesies "above and beyond the call of duty" during his years of service as postmaster.

A buffet supper was served at the home of Mary and Ben Foltz, climaxed by presentation of the bowl appropriately inscribed.

Following supper the guests played bridge. Some of the summer residents who joined in presentation of the bowl had returned to their respective homes. Those present in addition to Florence and Horace Wheeler and their hosts were Marion and Crampton Finn, Elizabeth and Ernest Clark, Helen and Preston Smith, Martha Feely and her guest, Martha Harris, Jessie Carmichael, Antoinette Foltz, Margaret and Robert Morse and Hazel Taylor.

Horace says that after leaving the Omena Postoffice he has found a vast number in the "Retirement Fraternity" and he is looking forward to improving Sunset Lodge for better days ahead. Inasmuch as he was active in real estate brokerage in Rockford, Ill. prior to moving to Chicago and later to Omena, he is hoping to qualify for a Michigan Real Estate Broker's license. He is pleased with the new attache case from the postmasters of Leelanau County and also with the beautiful silver bowl from Club members and will always remember the surprise parties given at his retirement.

Commodore's Reception

August 22nd heralded the 1965 Commodore's Reception at the O. T. Y. C. Commodore Finn and his lady Marion were greeted upon their arrival with the members singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow", followed by an original song, written to the tune of "Sailing, Sailing" and dedicated to them.

Crammy, Crammy, you're a fine
Commodore
And your lovely Marion, we surely
all adore
When you sail over blue Omena Bay
You show to our O.T.Y.C. the spirit we'll
keep for aye.

Gwen Pike then introduced the master of ceremonies of the evening, Mr. Joel Fisher, who took charge of the "Talent Show". The variety acts were performed by the younger set of the club and included the following:

1. Rhapsody No. 2 - Liszt, a piano number presented by Miss Cathy White.

2. The Four Queens - singing a comedy song, members of quartette were, Mamie Fisher, Gretchin Holtzman, Jorie Smith, and Mary K. Hessel.

3. Ventriloquist - Celeste White and her "George".

4. Hill-Billy Skit presented by Barbie Roth, Ellen Graf, Christy Graf and Susan Hines.

5. Guitar numbers presented by Logan Robinson, Peter Holzman and Chuck Woolford.

6. Concerta in A Minor - 3rd movement by J. Williams a piano number played by Celeste White.

7. "Can-can Dance by "Go-Go" Girls who were Bill Graf, Colter Rule and Rink Smith.

Everyone was amazed at the talent and ingenuity of these young people and their entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed by an enthusiastic audience. Three cash prizes were awarded: First place to Celeste White on the basis of excellence in two fields of entertainment as a pianist and a clever ventriloquist; Second place to the Guitar players for excellence in performance on these popular musical instruments; Third place to Cathy White as a talented pianist of much aplomb and composure.

In addition to these winners, we enjoyed splendid comedy acts of the Hill-Billy Group and the "Can-Can" performance by the "Go-Go" Girls. Nothing is more hilarious than male performers imitating the girls.

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Commodore's Reception

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Racing awards were presented while the judges Mrs. Thearle Smith, Mr. Ben Taylor and Mr. Humphrey Jackson were deliberating and conferring on the talent show winners.

Special mention should go to Mary Lou Root and Kathryn Groll for the attractive stage decorations. Thanks to the house committee, the stage was cleared of much of the accumulated miscellany so the show could be presented there. Tables were decorated with sailboats on styrafoam blocks loaned by Darrow Marine. Playing on the Commodore's name "Finn" a nautical theme was carried out with a styrafoam swan and mermaid spot-lighted in blue flood lights and enhanced by fishnets on screen and refreshment table to complete the theme.

Omena you've water blue and fragrant pine.

Omena, I bless the day that made you mine.

Enduring, alluring, are memories of friendship rare,

And laughter and music come dancing on the silent air.

Omena, may crystal waters ever flow;

Omena, may sunset colors ever glow.

Far be the day I never can return to you.

Omena, I love you, I do.

Singing of "Omena" by everyone and the introduction of its author Miss Elsie Tangeman followed by refreshments of punch and cookies, provided by the committee concluded a delightful evening.

A Time To Remember

Sunday evening, August 15 saw a fine turn-out of Club members for the beach picnic, followed by a sing. Baked-beans, hot-dogs, with all the trimmings, coffee and doughnuts were served by the social committee.

With the aid of some huskey young recruits, the piano was rolled out to the porch, where everyone joined in singing all the favorite songs as they were requested. Mary Lou Root accompanied and Gwen Pike led the singing. Everyone, young and "older" seemed to thoroughly enjoy the evening.

A suggestion by one of the members to include some of our favorite hymns on the next Sunday night "sing" was a good one and I hope will be remembered.

Gwen Pike

In Memoriam



RAYMOND L. FLETT

This past year Omena has lost a number of summer residents and September 23rd brought news of yet another. Dr. Raymond L. Flett, 72, who has made Omena his summer home for the past 21 years passed on at his home in Hyde Park in Cincinnati.

Ray had been active in club affairs over the years, doing much to help those who were assuming active rolls of officers by contributing both time and money to helping to solve various problems confronting them.

During Humphrey Jackson's term as commodore, Ray completely analyzed the financial needs of the club and set up a system of bookkeeping to make it easier for the treasurer to care for the books of the club. Ray also drew up a booklet of ideas for improving the financial condition of the club and made many helpful suggestions which have been valuable and useful to later officers.

Playing bridge was one of his favorite hobbies at which he was an expert. In his younger years he was also adept at tennis and golf. Ray also had a hobby of handicraft which enabled him to make the thermometer which hangs in the clubhouse as well as the chandelier from an old multi-spoked helm of a boat which had been salvaged from a sunken boat.

The OTYC owes much to this quiet, faithful worker who never sought prominence, but who worked so effectively behind the scene.

About Members

Hazel Taylor reports that Mr. and Mrs. Henry Edward Crampton, former members of the OTYC have announced the marriage of their daughter Ann Heath to Mr. Frederick Wells Finn on Saturday, September 11 at First Presbyterian Church in Greenwich, Conn. The young couple will be at home after the first of October at 3201 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Harriett White wishes to thank the following club members for their help in providing flowers that brightened the club dinners tables: Emily Nash Smith, Emily Abbott, Ruth Bowen, Abbie Mockbee, Vida Bennett, Gwen Pike, Ruth Smiley and Hazel Taylor. The gardens of Grace Flett, which missed her loving care, provided us fine campanulas and primroses.

Harriett had Mrs. Joseph W. Ivy of Kansas City as guest early in September who stayed to drive back to Kansas City with her around the 15th of September. Harriette left Oct. 11 for a 39 day trip around the world with daughter Lillian Canatsay of La Jolla, Calif. They visited 20 cities in 15 countries.

Emily Smith writes that she and Thearl had a wonderful trip through Chicago and on to West Coast, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Yosemite, Las Vegas, Grand Cayon and then on to Florida. She is teaching and recently made the annual Michigan Painting and Print Show at Grand Rapids Museum. Emily has a commission for 10 paintings illustrating a book of poems for Carol Schmidt of Goshen College which will keep her busy she thinks.

Fred Schaefer asks about the sailing in Omena, wants to know whether it has increased in volume. Was in Canada last summer and hopes to spend a month in Florida around Feb. or March.

Gwen Pike writes that she and Melvin spent the week-end of Nov. 12 in Chicago where Melvin attended medical meetings and a week-end following partying with friends at Omena. Thanksgiving will see a family gathering in Midland with Carol and Judy and their families. Vida Bennett is wintering in Midland staying in the home of friends who spend the winter in Arizona which is located only a few blocks from the Pikes, so they are having a fine time taking in concerts together. Melvin will fly to San Francisco Dec. 1st for a few days at a medical seminar. Later they plan a week sometime in February in Florida. Meanwhile Gwen is teaching 20 private pupils and busy with church choir and other community activities. On way to Chicago they expect to stop at Eaton Rapids to visit Judy. Judy and husband are building a lovely new home in the woods just out of town on a 27 acre tract of wooded land.

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Fred Weiss writes that he and Mary left Omena Oct. 12 first stopping at Birmingham, Mich. to spend a few days with Mary's sister and family. Then on to South Bend, Indiana to visit with son Jack and family who has just been transferred there from Cincinnati. In Cincinnati they visited another son Bob and his family. While in Cincinnati saw Grace Flett at the Cincinnati Club at dinner. Grace is taking care of the business and is doing well. Also saw Andy and Marjorie Renz and enjoyed an evening with them. Also saw Norm and Bernise Johanning. Bernise was in the Christ Hospital. From Cincinnati they drove down to Daytona, Florida. They hope to return to Cincinnati for the holidays and then back to Daytona around Jan. 1. Also will spend Thanksgiving with Kitty Smith and Abbie in Ft. Lauderdale. They expect to return to Omena around April 1st. for another good summer in God's country.

Marjorie Renz writes (Nov. 8) that she has only been home one week since leaving the cottage in September. She visited the World's Fair, and a trip through New England, then to Texas to visit a niece and then on to Holly's to stay with the children while she flies her own plane to Norfolk, Va. to meet Craig and attend the "Marine Birthday Ball." Hopes to be home by Dec. 1st — to stay.

Abigail Mockbee writes that outside of a lot of rain, the weather has been good weather in Ft. Lauderdale and little damage except near the beach and canals. Kitty is planning a six week cruise to South America on the S.S. Brazil leaving Dec. 24th. Later in the early spring Martha Feely, Kitty and she expect to go to St. John's Island to visit Kitty's nephew for about 10 days.

The Roots are busy remodeling their downstairs Powder Room in pink and gold which evidently will be very pretty. They accompanied a party of eight to Bloomington, Indiana to see the Indiana-Iowa game and had a picnic lunch in Brown County State Park on the way. It turned out to be a beautiful day and the game an exciting one, won by Indiana.

Lestra Saxton and Betty drove to Omena in October but only spent a few hours there, staying in Traverse City. While in Omena Lestra visited with Martha Feely and Jessie Carmichael and the Weisses. She talked with Emily Abbot when passing through Ann Arbor but didn't get to see her. Bob and Jane Saxton have been in Chicago where Bob attended a medical meeting. Peg Morse was there also. Lestra says she is always interested to hear about all her friends from Omena, her favorite place.

The Kiersey's announce a happy event, the arrival of second daughter Kim Elizabeth, May 9, 1965. Big sister, Kathy, who will be 3 in March, is all set for Omena next summer, says she wants to swim all day and all night. Ole is teaching junior high Industrial Arts in Portage, also an adult education class in the evening on small engine repair. He attends Western Michigan University working on his Masters Degree and is nearly through completing the course requirements. The Kiersey's are planning to be in Omena a good part of next summer. Hopes to see all their Omena friends in Omena.

The Koch's report that Susan visited relatives in San Francisco in August who took her sight seeing and covered everything from Carmel to Seattle and from the Sierras and Cascades to the sea. She was truly impressed by the variety of topographical features of that part of the west coast.

Carl Jr. spent a month in Europe this past summer and by hitch-hiking and staying in youth hostels he was able to visit seven countries, including East Germany, quite reasonably and at the same time mingle on more intimate terms with the natives of the various places he visited. After leaving Omena, Carl went back through Michigan's Upper Peninsula on a 1200 mile field trip with the Department of Geology of the University of Cincinnati. Also included in the trip were, Ohio, Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana.

Susan is enrolled in the College of Education at the University of Cincinnati and is living at the Tri-Delta Sorority. Margaret is doing volunteer work at the Children's Hospital and I'm back at the same old stand peddling pills, says Carl.

Mary Huff says they have been following Big 10 games, and were present in Champaign on the day Michigan beat Illinois. The following week-end they accompanied Alice and John Linn to see the Michigan-Northwestern game. The Moore's expect to be with them for Thanksgiving. They are hoping to take the children to Texas during spring vacation. Son Bob was quarterback for the local Jr. High School All-Star tackle football team. Brother Vin hopes to send his son Eric to camp in Michigan in 1966 with Bob and Howdy on Torch Lake. They expect the Oberndorfs in early December for a visit in Chicago.

John Fisher was elected president of the freshman class at the Medical College of Virginia.

Penny Heidrick has insulated the bedrooms of her cottage. She flew to Chicago, then New Jersey and finally to Ft. Lauderdale leaving Omena around Sept. 18. Agnes Barker drove to Indiana to pick up a friend who was visiting a daughter, and they will then accompany each other to Ft. Lauderdale where both reside.

The Tangeman's are planning to return early in June so that they may continue to enjoy their new cottage on Omena Bay.

John Fisher is now in first year Medical College of Virginia in Richmond, Va. Stewart is getting ready for the basketball season and the whole family is already thinking ahead to next summer and being in Omena, their second home. Audrey is trying to work out a plan for adult tennis tournament so that the Halbert White Memorial Trophy can be awarded after a play-off next summer. She is experiencing some difficulties so will welcome any suggestions anyone may have to offer.

Emily Abbot writes that she and Marie went East in October for a week, stopping two days in Manhasset, L. I. Priscilla took them to the Fair. After two days in New York City, shopping followed by two days in Rutherford, N. J. to visit her brother and sister who lived in the house Emily was born in. It had burned to the ground in June. It was a shock as it was over 100 years old and all the things mother and father had collected over the years were gone. Emily had ten brothers and sisters so you can see it was a big house. Emily expects to go to Riddington Beach for two weeks in February to visit Mrs. Richard Simmons, an old visitor in Omena.

Peg and Bob Morse are planning to spend next March in Morocco, then to work North with the weather through Spain and France to Paris, coming home about May 1.

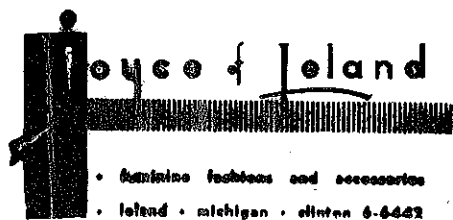
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Their itinerary in Morocco will take them to the southern part beyond the Atlas mountains and to the edge of the Sahara Desert - an area which few Americans visit. Bob hopes to bring back some interesting pictures for possible showing at OTYC next summer. They expect to spend this coming Christmas in Waco with Jane and Bob Saxton and children.

Al Cherne continues to enjoy his counseling work and is also directing a novice group of the Falls Swim Club. The Chernes are planning a trip to Cincinnati at Thanksgiving to visit Berenice Johanning.

Ellie and Jack Stephenson have enjoyed a number of visits to Omena during October and have taken a membership at Sugar Loaf in the hope of doing lots of skiing during the coming winter season.

Irma and Ken Hagemann will move to Omena around April first but in the meantime have been enjoying a trip east through Canada and spoke about the marvelous fall colors. They plan to visit Mexico after Christmas for a couple of months. Evidently they are enjoying retirement and are looking forward to being in Omena. Irma said they had a nice surprise recently when Bill Mack called on them in St. Louis when he was there for an Insurance convention.

Mary Louise and Bob Vail have had a busy time since last February. They bought a new house in March, sold the Gleason house in May, dismantled it in June then spent two weeks in Omena recovering. Sold the Vail house in July, dismantled it in August and moved into the new home where they are still in the process of remodeling and installing an outdoor swimming pool. Spent October in England recovering again. A nice way to recover we think. Mary Louise still keeps busy as president of the board of two big county hospitals with a \$25 million building program in progress. In the spring Mary Louise received the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce Gold Medal for Service to the Community. Mr. Vail, as president of the Western Reserve Historical Society, opened in September, a big new wing of its handsome building in University Circle as an Auto-Aviation Museum, the largest such museum in the country.

From Commodore Crammy Finn to Humphrey Jackson the following: "Hello to you all, enclosed is my effort for a Commodore's message. The Club owes you and the Taylors a debt of gratitude for your continuing efforts in getting out the BREEZE. Personally I feel that our

BREEZE is terrifically important in welding our membership together and I hope you can get lots of news items from the members."

We expect to Christmas this year at Maumee, Ohio with Cynthia and her family and then spend several weeks at Palos Verdes with Crammy Jr's family.

Ruth and Lou Bowen of Stoney Point on West Bay, are leaving for the Florida Keys December 1st where they will spend the winter. They are planning on seeing Martha Feeley on the way.

The Smiley's spent three lovely fall days visiting in New Hampshire and another week-end in Connecticut. Much is happening at the Smiley's in preparation for Charlotte's wedding next month.

Norm Johanning says that due to Berenice's illness last summer was lost. She is now a patient in Christ Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio. Since October surgery she is gradually a little better and no doubt will be hospitalized for some time. Norm says he wants all his Omena friends to know that he is most appreciative of their help and concern since they have been in Cincinnati. He is staying with the Woolfords.

November 27th Dr. Robert C. Reed will marry Miss Sara Jane McAdoo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McAdoo, of White-march, Penn., a grand-niece of William Gibbs McAdoo, who served as Secretary of the Treasury in the cabinet of President Woodrow Wilson. Bob is in his third year of residency at Philadelphia General Hospital. Both Bob and Sally give assurance that they intend to take their annual vacations at Omena.

Blanch Huss writes the following account of their family: "The alert operation of the Strategic Air Command in Newfoundland was terminated without warning a few weeks ago and Alis and Landon Robinson were caught up in the scramble to have their furniture crated and make reservations on the ferry to the mainland. Landon is taking his canoe and his big dory to Omena before coming to Cincinnati. Alis and the boys will be with Blanch for several months. Logan is at Culver Military Academy. Landon will go to Seward A. F. Base in Nashville for training in flying the C-130, a big cargo plane and then will fly cargo to Viet Nam. They will be stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina."

"Geometrical progression has ruled out any dinner parties for the whole family other than picnics in the yard. Although

Martha and I are the only Rules who live in Cincinnati, there are several of the third generation, and the fourth. I will have 14 staying at my house, mother will have Sis and Wick and Jim, Jonnie and Geoff Hodgson."

"For the first time, one of our children will be away from home on Christmas— Louise is working at the downtown airlines terminal in San Francisco and is living with four other young women, in an apartment overlooking the bay and the Golden Gate bridge. She hopes to have a few days off and if she does, she'll spend Christmas with the Hessels in Eugene, Oregon."

Mother is planning to spend Thanksgiving in New York with Bud and Jonnie and their families. Coulter Rule the third is at Taft School. Mother, Sis and Wick spent a long week-end in Omena in October. They said the coloring of the trees had never been more beautiful. We are hoping to go up in the early spring."

"My daughter Margo and her husband, Duane Banks are to leave Kincheloe A. F. Base, near Saulte Ste. Marie and return to Cleveland where Duane will be a resident in Urology at Western Reserve University."



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