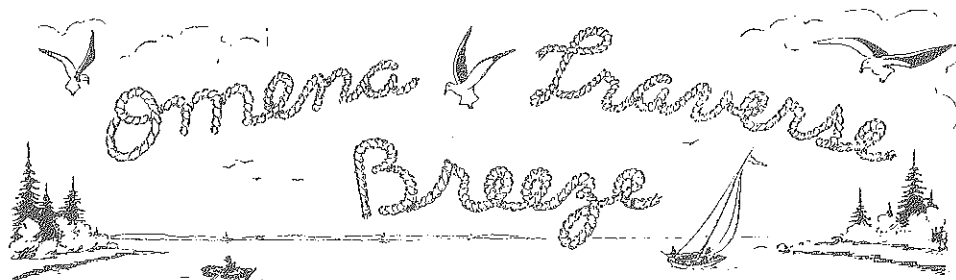


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Commodore's Message

It is a genuine privilege for me to speak through this letter to many of the friends Elizabeth and I have gained through the past eight summers at Omena. We are looking forward to forming new acquaintances and friendships in the coming summer, since we have always found OTYC to consist of a most hospitable and sociable group of people. It has also been an interesting experience for us to get acquainted with the history of Omena and the surrounding area, and the history of OTYC in particular.

OTYC has been many things to many different people through the years - a focus for social events, recreation for adults, and both recreation and education for our young people. It is truly amazing to me that an organization with such modest facilities and financial support, in comparison with the other organizations in which we are involved, has been able to continue to serve such diverse needs and interests so well. The tranquility we value so highly at Omena is reflected in a "lack of progress" at OTYC - but don't stability and "progress" often tend to conflict?

The most basic problem we face with OTYC is its continued financial solvency - that is, provision for a sound budget which keeps us within our means, maintenance and improvement of the property and facilities, and adequate protection against unforeseen loss. Knowing

*'Tis the season for kindling the fire of
hospitality in the hall,
the genial fire of charity in the heart.*

Washington Irving

our limitations and recognizing that we can't possibly please all the people all the time (to paraphrase Barnum), the Board has set definite tasks to be accomplished in each of these areas, and some progress has already been made. I will be able to report to you more specifically in the spring.

With respect to our program, the Board is working with certain priorities clearly in mind. It is gratifying to me (having spent something over twenty years in the field of education) that a top priority is the continuation and strengthening of the youth program. We expect Jed Mooney to rejoin us, and several people have indicated interest in leading various phases of the youth program (of course, we can always use

more help). Relating to this is another top priority - the sailing program, in which we hope to have greater participation by people of all ages.

In closing, let me send a sincere thank you to the many people who left all or part of their contributions in the Improvement Fund. This is an indication of confidence and good will which is truly heartwarming. We shall do our best to use the money wisely and in keeping with the wishes of the membership.

We wish you and your loved ones a blessed Christmas, a happy holiday season, and joy throughout 1974.

Cordially,
Dan Schlee

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The 1973 membership list includes several families of new members. OTYC is happy to welcome them aboard.

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Welcome Aboard!



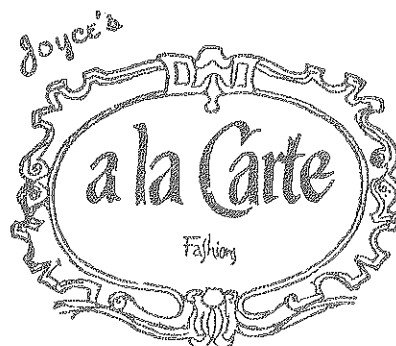
Omena - Leland Sunfish Regatta

Our club's long-standing annual regatta had a few changes this year. To start with, the boats were Sunfish, rather than Lightnings. But, to both start and, we hope, continue with, there were a whole pack of boats, like 23 of them, participating in the races. That is a lot of boats, whether they are in Omena Bay or not.

The races were held the week-end of August 11th and 12th. In each of the five races, there was a division of "one man" boats and "two man" boats. One division was bigger than the other, by golly. The winner of the one-man series was Al Grogan of the Leland Yacht Club with four firsts and one second. Second place went to Jed Mooney and that was a very nice change too, to have one of "our boys" come in so close. John Ray was up there too for a while . . . but enough of that. It does show, however, what we could do, weather and stays permitting. Third and fourth places went to J. P. Spore and Jeff Jones.

In the two-man series, David Workum, Jr. and Mike Pendergast, also of Leland, took first place with three firsts and two seconds. Pearson Buell and Matt Bishop were second and Jack and Chris Bishop took third place. Our team again, good for them. Bill Strietman and Tuck Jameson of Leland came in fourth. All in all, a pretty evenly matched group. But next year it is going to be even better for us.

Trophy flags were given to the crews of the top four boats and, in addition, baths were given to the first place skippers. Both Clubs are looking forward to next year's regatta and, we trust, Jed and John will get the baths.



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AN OPEN LETTER TO YOU

Dear Member:

Now that the new By-Laws have been discussed and publicized and now that the new Yacht Harbor project has been dismissed—your Breeze editorial department is going to need NEWS. For the May issue of the Breeze we'd greatly appreciate several signed articles or short feature stories of interest to OTYC members. Good clear black and white pictures of family events or of club interest would liven the pages of your little newspaper.

Keep the Breeze in mind, not only for personal news items, which we all enjoy reading, but of ideas regarding the Club or other stories as well.

April 15th is news - filing time for the May issue.

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News About Members

As Your Editor wasn't around the Club premises too much this last Summer, he doesn't know for sure just what Don and Ainee Patterson were involved in at that time. But for the present, Don is up to his neck trying to sell off half of Florida and Ainee has just finished up a grand tour as Head Nurse, laundress and bottle-washer for their grandson. This young gentleman recently walked into the world, that's Cincinnati, of course (I'm quoting), through the help of Dr. Bill Graf and the assistance of his mother, Ellen, and his paw, Dick Ward. As the Presidency of the United States seems to be rather fraught with problems at the moment, they are not quite sure just what he is going to be.

Mary Woolford, along with Blanche Huss and Alis Robinson, were up here for a spell in October and Mary allows as how she is hoping to make it an annual event, for her self, at least, in the future. She and Bob have switched houses for the winter with Mary Jo and Jay. It is working out very well for all. Bob's prosthesis is working quite well now and he is back to "doctoring", driving the car and many, many other things. November should have found them somewhere between New Orleans and Yucatan. Maybe like Mexico City for Thanksgiving. Chuck is working on his music both up here and down in Ohio. It is hard to hear him when he is down there.

We all know, from common knowledge or the "Enterprise", that the Buells, Stephensons, Gorhams, Grafs and lots of others have been coming up week-ends to Omena. No matter what the weather is, it is good for something. And it sure is nice looking, quiet and peaceful.

Dan and Eloise Bradley are getting along all right now, except that Eloise is doing all of the household jobs that require getting down on the floor. Dan went off to the hospital in October and had his "trick knee" taken care of. They even took off the knee cap because he had worn a hole in it . . . honest, he did. He will just be supervising for a while now catching up on his knitting and such. At the time that he wrote to me, he had snow around the place. But, I gather, he will be getting somebody else to do that job too.

And, now, National News from Pat Kulick. All to do with her family too. Her son, Chris, will be graduating from the University of California at Riverside in December. He'll be coming over to Mississippi for a good visit and then back to the West to take up his graduate study. Her other two boys, Bill and David, are raking up the honors again at Coast Episcopal High School and Pat, since Don Patterson is doing Florida, is trying to sell off half of the State of Mississippi. She is also the Public Relations Director for the Gulf Coast Sierra Club. And then on the East Coast, her nephew Philip, Dick and Julie Taylor's son, is planning to get married on December 31st. Pat and family are hoping to be able to attend this event.

Mary and Tom Smith are well established in their new house and have plenty of room for all the kids and, even, visiting brothers. Mannie is at home with them. Stewart is doing duty at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut, this Fall and Rink is mostly up here, working and growing whiskers, but some times down there with thoughts of maybe getting some more schooling. Les Disch is still in school and Debbie is now the Data Processing Manager with Cincinnati Bell. Josie, Peter and little Valerie are now back in the city, staying, for now, with the Levicks. Sr. Peter is happily dirtying his hands as No. 2 in one of the best Service Stations in town (another quote).

Morse Doings (A complete quote, Bob, with very few changes). Peg went to New York in October, where she was met by daughter, Jane Saxton, who came up from Waco, Texas. They were joined by Stuart Saxton, who is now attending George School in Newton, Penn. (Is that where people learn how to "let George do it?") Jane had been in the Caribbean with her husband, Bob, sailing their new 46' ketch to Antigua, where it will be based. Later this year, Peg and Bob will fly down to Waco to spend Christmas with the Saxton family. They will be joined there by Dorothy Saxton, Bob's mother, who is coming over from Ft. Lauderdale. And then Bob and Peg will be going down for their eleventh year at the Gulf & Bay Club in Siesta Key, Sarasota. Peg hopes to get in a lot of painting again. And what are you going to do, Bob? Fish, Golf, read or write me a story about Old Omena? Clark Saxton is in his Senior year at Orme School near Flagstaff, Arizona and Suzy is attending Vanguard School in Waco. (Did I come close to what you actually wrote?)

"Not a great deal of news" to Agnes Barker was flying off to Rome in a 747 and then touring about through parts of Italy, Yugoslavia, Turkey, Greece, Spain and Portugal. The weather was good, the views were beautiful and the revolts were yet to come. She touched down on five of the Greek islands, but she didn't have a chance to stop in and see Jackie. She also missed out on seeing Katherine and Fred Groll while they were in Rome. Those Tour Directors are real slave drivers. If we get to see any of her pictures, we will find that they are all good ones as she bought them on post-cards and didn't have to worry herself about shutter speeds and the light. Smart cookie! She is hoping to be up at Omena early this next summer and to have her daughter Sue and her family as guests for a while.

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This Fall, Mary Louise Vail went touring through south-west United States. Namely, Arizona. Her son and family, the David Gleason's, are now living at 7721 East Wilshire Drive, Scottsdale, Ariz., 85257, and Grandmother went by to check on newest grand-child, Miss Christine Elizabeth, who was born on October 20th. Later, or earlier, she went over or up to Phoenix and had a delightful visit with the Austin Jones. They have a very lovely house built in a former orchard . . . why that sounds just like home! She also said that the buildings at Austin's University are handsome and "unusual". Hummmm.

Why would a nice boy like Jack Stretch even think about going on a diet? And getting his hair cut too. Why there's ten pounds by its self. And talking poor little Marilee into joining you. But, if while you are off to class, she spends her time making taffy and butterscotch candies, it is going to be a hard fight for both of you. I'm glad that you let me know where Bill and Leona went to. I was up to their yard stealing walnuts. Biggest ones I've seen in years. Dinsmore's place didn't have any at all. And what's with this bit about sweet or hard apple cider and basket weave sweaters? I hope that you were able to keep the crocheting and the taffy making separate. Those trees that you planted, leave them be. You can't cut them down for fire wood for at least five years. There is a law about that. Or, in return for your life's savings, I'll try to bring you a cord of wood.

Somebody is going to have to take on the job of coordinating these trips that are being taken so that we can get together "over there" rather than waiting until we are back home and all tired out. Here Syd and Dorothy Griffiths had a wonderful trip through the Mediterranean area and they didn't even come close to seeing Agnes or the Grolls. They did manage to "break the bank" at Monte Carlo, however. Well, anyway, Syd came out ahead playing the slot machines. You can do worse. With their great winnings, they then went sailing around to Sicily, Malta, Crete, Rhodes and naturally, Athens and little bit of Turkey. The kids let Mom and Dad take this trip by themselves in return for a rather firm promise of a trip for all of them to Hawaii next Spring. That seems fair. And to be consistent, you will probably just miss seeing Crammie and Marion Finn while you are out there.

Clemewell Lay is back out in California now anxiously awaiting the next issues of the "Leelanau Enterprise". And, I trust, all of you good folks are like-wise subscribers to that admirable paper. The fight seems to have gone the right way as far as Leland and its harbor are concerned, but we are going to have to give some thoughts to what should and may be the changes right here in Omena. There is the Omena Inn complex and also the possible/probable light industry park up the road towards Northport. It's not all bad, however. Clemewell did give me one bit for my local historical collection is saying that her cottage, where the Keyes are now, was the second house built on Ingalls Bay. She remembers swimming at Ingalls Bay some seventy years ago, when her family used to stay with Leonard Wheeler at Sunset Lodge. Now, who had the first house on the Bay? Can somebody tell me?

Susan Yetter sent along a little note that she wrote with the help of her children and some of their friends. Some how her spelling of the word "help" looks very much like "interruptions" . . . I'll have to check with her about that. She did want to make sure that somewhere in this issue that THANKS were given to Hazel Taylor and her committee, Eloise Bradley, Mary Louise Root and Helen Tangeman, for their wonderful job of decorating the Club for the George Smith Regatta. So rendered. She also wants us to know that she is the one that we should write to with our suggestions on projects on the Youth Committee for next year. She is going to have that as her baby for the summer of 1974. The Youth Group had a good season last year, so write to her with your ideas and comments for the next season.

Rink Smith and I were down to Cincinnati for Thanksgiving. We drove down in the pick-up along with a cord of wood. See, Jack, I really meant it . . . but it will take all of your savings. By the time this gets to all of you, we will know for sure just what the energy and gasoline shortage is coming to. But, let me tell you, trying to find a gas station that is open at mid-night in Toledo, Ohio, is already bad enough.

Walt Gardner wrote me and admitted that maybe there were a couple of other buildings on his property besides the house. By next summer there will be a little more area closed in so that all of the boats can be put away and, for those rainy days, he is also going to have an in-door regulation full size tennis court some where on the "south forty". If some of you thought that you saw Kathy Bosoc on TV all shiny clean with Dove Soap, you were right. She did some commercials for them to be used on the national networks. But back to that in-door tennis court and all of those buildings. If Walt and Bea recover from this year's doings, they will need that extra space. This year they took over most all of Omena, from their place to Sunrise Motel and Sunset Lodge, and had a jolly fine group of 95 people up for the weekend. Everything turned out fine including the weather. Most of the folks had never been even near this area before and thought that we had it made to be able to live here. Of course, when the men in Margo Rule's cottage found that fellow out on the lawn picking up bushels of acorns and saying that he was going to eat them, they did rather wonder what sort of characters lived here during the winter. But, really, those acorns are good if you cook them up right.

Alice Linn, you wrote that whole legal size page of news by your self and it's legible. Goody! Yes, I think that your new address of 1324 Edgewood Lane, Northbrook, Ill., 60062, will be used in our listing. Let's see now, Nancy should be home for the holidays from S.M.U. in Dallas sporting both a Phi Delt pin from goodness knows who and your mother's Theta pin. Fine and what about a report card with a few A's or B's on it? That is really what you and John sent her to school to get. Do they still give students report cards? Jeffrey, we can assume, will take off his football uniform long enough to join you all for "Turkey Day" and "Santa Day". Parents are supposed to be "footballed to death", although it does help if the player of the family is on the first string. Now I rather liked being on the sixth string, myself. How did Caroline and Ed Oberndorf get to be your first house guests? Think of how much gas they had to burn up to get to your town. And as for all of those trips to Florida, Mexico, Texas and so forth, what is the matter with coming up here to Omena? Well, that's all right. I stole all of the acorns out of your front yard too, so there.

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Treasurer's Report - Annual Meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT

September 1, 1973

General Fund

Balance September 1, 1973\$2,254.85
Accounts rec'd 1,045.11
Accounts paid 1,450.69

Balance December 4, 1973\$1,834.27

Dues unpaid 391.00

Dock Improvement Fund

Certificates of deposit\$4,700.00
Checking account balance 2,628.40
Pledge paid to Improvement
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Pledge money returned 4,692.00

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ment Fund 2,324.00

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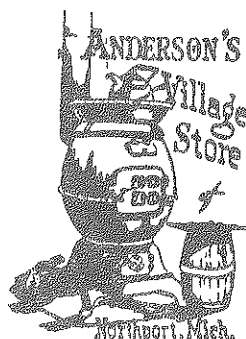
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The 26th Annual Meeting of the Omena-Traverse Yacht Club was called to order by Vice Commodore Joe Buell at 8:22 p.m. There were 47 voting members present, plus 9 proxies.

Commodore Alvo Cherne welcomed the membership to the 1973 Season at the Yacht Club and promised a full schedule of activities. He extended the thanks of the Board and Club to the many members, younger and older, who worked so hard to prepare the club facilities for the new season. He also announced the following items of interest to the membership. The LakeLab would be in operation again and boaters should remember to keep their distance when the Lab flag was flying. The LakeLab would be paying the entire electric bill for the summer and planned to sandbag the end of the dock. A boat has been purchased for the Youth Program and lessons given in boat safety; the launching ramp to be used solely for the Sunfish boats. The Commodore is looking forward to a good season.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and, with minor corrections, approved by the group.

Mr. John Ray, Treasurer, reported that as of July 1, 1973 the Operating Fund had a balance of \$567.36 plus Dues Receivable of \$3,299.00 for a total of \$3,866.36. The Improvement Fund has a cash balance of \$589.08 plus Certificates of Deposit for \$4,700.00 making a total of \$5,289.08. The Dock Improvement Fund has a cash balance of \$6,636.65. The coke machine in in order and working, but it requires the use of the correct change to keep it so. The new boat cost \$375.00 and a dolly to assist in launching the Sunfish boats is going to be purchased. A total billing of \$4,276.00 for Membership Dues was sent out to the 104 family units in the club.

Old Business: Commodore Cherne reported on the harbor project. He stated that the plan included a mooring basin with 20 slips, relocation of the launching ramp, a road to the front of the clubhouse, and parking space for 50 cars. Plans had been sent to the Corps of Engineers, the Department of Natural Resources (Michigan) and the Environmental Protection Agency (Federal). Of

the four contractors, who were contacted for bids, two did not answer, one declined to submit a bid and one bid of \$52,650.00 was received. Because of these conditions, the Board has decided to drop the project. A motion was made and seconded that (1) the dock improvement facility be discontinued at this time; (2) the Treasurer be instructed to refund monies donated to the dock fund to those members who request him to do so in writing on or before October 1, 1973, and; (3) the remaining funds be used for general capital improvements of the OTYC property. Motion carried unanimously.

Vice Commodore Buell announced that the revised By-Laws were now ready to be considered.

Mrs. Yetter moved that the By-Laws not be read in their entirety. Motion carried. Mr. Finn moved the sentence be added to Paragraph 9-C of "Nominations may be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting". Motion carried.

Mrs. Renz suggested that (1) the names of prospective members be posted on the bulletin board; (2) an Intermediate Membership be set up for young adults; and (3) copies of the minutes of the Board Meetings be sent to all Directors prior to their next meeting.

Mr. Finn moved that Paragraph 2 (Use of Alcohol on Premises) be stricken from the revision and left as is. Motion carried, but followed by quite some discussion.

Mr. Jones moved that we vote on each By-Law as we went along. Mrs. Lewis amended this to limit discussion to 7 minutes on each By-Law. The amended motion was carried.

Individual motions were made and carried to accept the revised reading of the following By-Laws:

Paragraph 5 (House Rules)

Paragraph 6 (Application for Membership)

Paragraph 7 (Termination of Membership)

Paragraph 8 (Initiation Fees and Dues)

Paragraph 9 (Board of Directors) with the aforementioned addition allowing for nominations from the floor and the revised wording calling for three members on the Nominating Committee to be appointed by the Commodore with the advise and consent of the Board.

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Paragraph 10 (Officers)

Paragraph 11 (Committees) with the change of sub-paragraph B to read as "Waterfront Facilities Committee: This committee shall be responsible for all waterfront facilities and their use".

Paragraph 12 (Membership) with the substitution of "and/or" for "and" each time it appears.

Paragraph 13 (Guest Privileges) which is to read: "A guest may be granted Club privileges at the discretion of the Board".

Paragraph 14 (Voting) which is to read: "Any proposal to amend the Articles of Incorporation or the By-Laws of the club shall be distributed in written form between 50 to 90 days prior to voting to all members at their last known address, with notice that such proposal will be put to a vote at the next Annual Meeting. The vote on such proposal at the Annual Meeting shall be by ballot and proxy voting on such proposals is authorized."

A motion was made to table discussion on Paragraph 2 (Alcohol). Motion defeated.

Mr. Jones then moved that, because of certain legal questions that have arisen, the voting on this By-Law (Alcohol) be deferred until the next meeting to take place within 30 to 40 days. Motion carried.

Mr. Jones proposed that ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION No. 7, 8, 9 and 10 be replaced as follows:

ARTICLE VIII

The term of this corporation shall be unlimited.

ARTICLE VIII

The business, policy and management of the corporation shall be directed by a Board of Directors. The number and terms of Directors shall be determined by the By-Laws of the corporation.

ARTICLE IX

The annual meeting of the members of the corporation shall be held on the first Sunday in July each year at which time Directors shall be elected as provided in the By-Laws. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum on all matters except that a meeting may be adjourned by a majority of any number present. Other meetings of the members shall be called and held as the By-Laws shall provide. The right to vote shall be limited to those members 18 years of age and above. Voting by proxy shall be permitted at any meeting of the members of the corporation.

ARTICLE X

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote at any regular or special meeting of members of the corporation; provided that no motion to amend the Articles shall be considered at any meeting unless written notice setting forth the substance of the motion shall have been sent to the members at their last known addresses or otherwise personally delivered to them not less than 60 days before the meeting.

The above proposals were accepted by the membership.

New Business: Under the new By-Laws, Directors for the following year are to be elected at the Annual Meeting and Mr. Root, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, first asked for nominations from the floor. He then presented the slates of nominations for Directors for the various terms of office. These terms are all to start on September 15, 1973.

Three Year Term:

Austin Jones
Dan Schleef
(Mrs.) Hazel Taylor

Two Year Term:

(Mrs.) Susan Yetter
(Mrs.) Joan Roth
Vernon Keye

One Year Term:

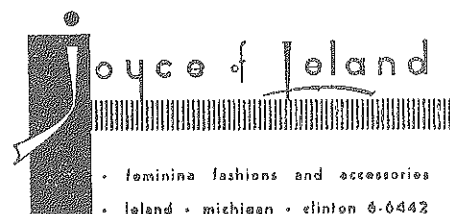
Rink Smith
(Mrs.) Jonnie Hodgson
(Mrs.) Jane Newland

Motions were made to close the nominations and to instruct the Secretary to cast an unanimous ballot for the above names. All motions were carried.

Mr. John Ray expressed the appreciation of the membership for all of those who had worked so hard for the dock.

Mr. Jones moved and Mrs. Renz seconded that the appreciation of the membership be expressed to the present Board of Directors. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 p.m.



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