

HISTORY of North Canal (Osma Plat Road, Canal Road, and Red Brick Road,
Information obtained from Register of Deeds, tax records, and interviews.

| Date | What occurred | Present day |
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| 1845 | Wm. Burt and Douglas Houghton survey Oskar Area | Oskar Area |
| 1851 | USA to Lewis/May Patterson | Ovist /Canal |
| 1860 | Jacob Houghton (brother to Douglas) gets land patent | Wests /Osma Plat |
| 1863 | Gallivan gets patent for property | Kempke /Canal |
| 1864 | USA to George Schlott as land entry Sect. 7 NE ¼ | Kempke |
| 1865 | USA to Isle Royale Mining Co. S 8 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 | Kempke |
| 1865 | Patterson to Quincy Mining Company | Ovist |
| 1868 | Begin canal dredging on North end ship canal | |
| 1873 | Canal done ship canal | |
| 1874 | S. F. Seager has Patent for Gov't lot 2 | Osma Area |
| 1875 | Oskar community established by Eliassen,Ojanpera, & Hendrickson | Oskar |
| 1875 | Oskar Eliassen buys Sect. 7 NE 1/4 | Kempke |
| 1878 | Andrew Riecki born. Dies in 1943 | Fulayter/Lahti /Osma Plat |
| 1880 | White/Gallivan to Jacob Ojanpera | Arzooyan and Kempke |
| 1880 | Jacob Ojanpera builds home on Arzooyan property | Arzooyan |
| 1881 | Section 6 SW 1/4 of SE Eliasson is first owner | Kempke |
| 1882 | Alex Garnell born to Aleki/Susan Garnell | Garnell /Red Brick Road |
| 1882 | Aleksi and Susan Garnell farming | Garnell/Kempke |
| 1884 | Isle Royale Mining Co. to Ames. | Kempke |
| 1883 | Jacob Ojanpera and Sakari Hendrickson left area | Oskar |
| 1884 | Selma Kangas born... marries Eino Lantto 1915 or so | Oskar, later Fulayter |
| 1886 | James Sturgis surveyor has tax deed | Osma Area |
| 1886 | Michigan Mining Schol (MTU) opens | Houghton |
| 1886 | Niilo/Anna Juntunen's lived in Osma Area | Frairs / Osma Plat |
| 1886 | Amanda Juntunen born.... later marries Andrew Krapu | Frairs |
| 1886 | Ojanpera to Nils/Ingrid Burkman | Arzooyan / Kempke |
| 1888 | Ida Alina Juntunen born died in infancy | Frairs / Osma Plat |
| 1889 | Quit Claim Deed to Eliassen w mineral rights to within 15 feet of surface | Ovist/Canal |
| 1889 | Eliassen to Heinonen | Ovist |
| 1890 | Elsa Elliasen to Andrew Riecki | Ovist |
| 1890? | John Bollard farming Rintala | |
| 1890's | Emil/Hilda Johnson farming | McClellans /Canal |
| 1890- '95 | Highest volume of logging | Oskar |
| 1890 | Emma Maria Juntunen born. Later marries Emil Anttonen | Frair / Osma Plat |
| 1891 | Burkman to August/Delia Massi | Kempke /Canal |
| 1891 | Burkman to Auguste Massi | Arzooyan /Canal |
| 1892 | to 1896 Oscar / Elsa Eliasson have property | Ruelle / Osma Plat |

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| 1892 | Hanna Lempi Juntunen born. Later marries Alex Garnell | Frair / Osma Plat |
| 1892 | Seager estate sells to O. Eliassen | Karinen /Osma Plat |
| 1894 | Reikki or Eino Lantto builds a hay barn | Fulayers |
| 1895 | Briita Saima Juntunen born. Later marries Eli Koski | Frair |
| 1896 | Andrew Johnson/sons have property | Ruelle |
| 1896 | Helmi Hilturi (Hildur) Juntunen born. Later marries August Jurva | Frair |
| 1896 | to 1904 Eliassen has Kolehmainen property | Kolehmainen / Osma Plat |
| 1896 | a fire in Oskar | Oskar |
| 1896 | Alex/ Marie Lahti farming | Lahti/Peterson Canal |
| 1897 | a fire in Oskar | Oskar |
| 1898 | Andrew Johnson has Mortgage for Gov't Lot 2 and other lands. | Ruelle / Canal |
| 1998 | Massi to Frank Lamorande | Arzooyan /Canal |
| 1899 | Sophie Juntunen born. Later marries Andrew Krapu had son Calv | Frair /Osma Plat |
| 1899 | Henry Garnell born to Aleki/Susan Garnell | Garnell /Red Brick Road |
| 1899 | Lamorande to Thomas Kuru | Arzooyan /Canal |
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| 1900 | Alex Olson farming | Houghton Canal |
| 1900 | Alex Garnell Sr. (Aleksi) bought 7- 40's with Portage Lake Shore | Derik Garnell /Red Brick Rd. |
| 1900 | Henry/Ida Soinis farming | Houghton Canal |
| 1900 | Arvo Wm. Lantto born in USA - brother to Eino, son of Adam | Arzooyan /Canal |
| 1900? | Mary Johanna Oksanen farming on Yalmer Lantto prop. | Canal |
| 1901 | Hilia Juntunen born. Later marries Thomas Andrew Olson | Frair/Osma Plat |
| 1902 | Andrew Koski immigrates to US and farms (Ozzie's relative) | N. Superior/Red Barn Rd. |
| 1902 | Kuru to Adam Lantto | Arzooyan |
| 1902 | Adam Lantto immigrates to US and farms | Walter Lantto /Canal |
| 1902 | to 1913 Brick factory operating on Red Brick Road | Red Brick Road |
| 1903 | Aleda Juntunen born ..later marries Emil Johnson | Frair /Osma Plat |
| 1903 | Massi to August/Matilda Lahnala | Kempke /Canal |
| 1904 | Osma Plat Established | road sign |
| 1904 | Eliassen to Andrew Johnson | Kolehmainen/Karinen |
| 1904 | to 1916 "Adam/ Hanna Lantto farming | Arzooyan |
| 1904 | Aleksi Garnell buys 7 -40's for son Alex Garnell to farm | Gail Garnell / N. Superior Rd. |
| 1907 | Oskar Eliassen sells farm to Frank Eilola | Joe Eilola /Oskar |
| 1908 | Eino Lantto builds a general purpose barn | Fulayter / Osma Plat |
| 1908 | Sigrid Hietala born.. later marries Henry Garnell | Hietala /N. Superior Rd. |
| 1909 | Emil and Hilda Johnson farming | McClellans /Canal |
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| 1910 | Yjalmer Lantto builds his home, son of Adam/Hannah | Walter Lantto/Canal |
| 1910 | Eino/Hilda Lantto build a home | Fulayter /Osma Plat |
| 1910 | Bollards build a granary building | Rintala/ Canal |
| 1911 | 3 sons of and w/ Andrew Johnson own property | Kolehmainen |
| 1911 | to 1930 Houghton Canal school operates | Houghton Canal |
| 1911 | Selma Patana born. Later marries Wm. Trolin | Yrjana / N.Superior Rd. |
| 1912 | Bollards build a hay barn | Rintala /Canal |
| 1912? | Henry Garnell builds a home and General Purpose barn | Kempke /Canal |

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| 1913? | Eino/Hilda Lantto farming part of grandfather's | Osma Area |
| 1913 | Ho Co. Rd. Comm. strip of land 66' x 1340' Sect. 8 NW 1/4 NE 14 | Kempke |
| 1914? | Henry Garnell builds a hay barn | Kempke / Canal |
| 1914 | Hilda Lantto dies- Eino's wife | Fulayter /Osma Plat |
| 1915 | Eino Lantto marries Selma after Hilda dies in 1914, farms Osma | Fulayter / Osma Plat |
| 1916 | Ethel Hietala born. Later marries Wesley Johnson | Hietala |
| 1916 | Adam Lantto to son Eino Lantto | Arzooyan |
| 1916 | Road right of way on Ovist Property | Osma Area |
| 1917 | Ashton gets property from state | Traub / Osma Plat |
| 1918 | Andrew Johnson to John S. Kellinsalmi, builds log home | West /Osma Plat |
| 1918 | Art Lantto born (son of Eino and Selma) | Fulayter / Osma Plat |
| 1919 | Mercer got deed and builds | Lawton, Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1919 | Eino/Selma Lantto build an ice house | Fulayter /Osma Plat |
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| 1920 | Bollards build a hen house | Rintala /Canal |
| 1920 | A. Johnson sons to Kellinsalmi | Kolehmainen, Ruelle, Karinen |
| 1920 | bank to Kellinsalmi | Ruelle /Osma Plat |
| 1920 | Waino and Tillie (Peterson) Lahti farm | Lahti/Peterson /Canal |
| 1921 | Kellinsalmi to Mercer | Lawton lot 9/Osma Plat |
| 1921 | Alex Garnell builds his home | Kempke /Canal |
| 1921 | Andrew Reikki to Selma Lantto | Ovist /Canal |
| 1922 | Selma and son Art farming Lantto property | Fulayter/Arzooyan |
| 1923 | Eino Lantto dies when Art is 5. Selma continues farming | Arzooyan /Canal |
| 1924 | Sophie Juntunen/Andrew Krapu dies in childbirth to Calvin | Frairs /Osma Plat |
| 1924 | Amanda (Juntunen) Krapu / Andrew farm Juntunens farm | Frairs |
| 1924 | Selma Lantto builds a garage | Fulayter /Osma Plat |
| 1926 | Heinonen to Selma Lantto | Ovist /Canal |
| 1926 | Hepplers have lots | Maroste, Bettinson/Osma Plat |
| 1928 | Selma or Art? build a milk house | Fulayter |
| 1929 | Kellinsalmi to Morwood | Lot 10 Ruelle /Osma Plat |
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| 1930 | Arnold/ Edna Lantto farm his dad's (Yalmer) farm | Walter Lantto /Canal |
| 1930 | Waino/Vivian Heitala farming | N. Superior Rd. |
| 1930 – 1950 | Knaebel had summer cottage on Red Brick Road | |
| 1932 | Kellinsalmi to Goodfellow | Kolehmainen /Osma Plat |
| 1932 | Vandewege to Dollar | Ruelle/Osma Plat |
| 1932 | Kaisa Niileksela has property | Winter / Osma Plat |
| 1933 | Morwood to Dollar | Ruelle lot 10 |
| 1933 | Dollar to Xenia Morwood | Ruelle Lot 10 /Osma Plat |
| 1933 | Aleksi Garnell dies. | |
| 1933 | Anna Juntunen dies | Frair / Osma Plat |
| 1933 | Lahnala's 12 children to Alex Olson | Kempke /Canal |
| 1934 | Niilo Juntunen dies | Frair / Osma Plat |
| 1935 | Selma Lantto builds a hen house | Fulayter / Osma Plat |
| 1937 | Selma Lantto builds a garage | Fulayter /Osma Plat |
| 1938 | Art/Helen Lantto farming | Ovist/Fulayter /Osma Plat |

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| 1938 | Wm./Selma Trolin living on N. Superior | N. Superior |
| 1939 | Road Commission has Kelly Road map | Osma Plat Area |
| 1940's | Robert Karinen helping Art with farm chores | Osma Plat Area |
| 1940's | Wesley/Ethel Johnson farming | McClellans /Canal |
| 1942 | X. Morwood to R Morwood | Ruelle, lot 10 |
| 1944 | Ashton to Mitchell | Traub /Osma Plat |
| 1943 | Anna and Toivo Patana farming | Arzooyan |
| 1943 | to 1966 Kallianinens fishing here | Karinen / Osma Plat |
| 1944 | Kellinsalmi to Kelly | West / Osma Plat |
| 1946 | R. Morwood to X. Morwood | Ruelle / Osma Plat |
| 1947 | Eino and Selma Lantto to Toivo/Anna Patana | Arzooyan / Canal |
| 1948 | Bandettini living on Osma Plat | Morris / Osma Plat |
| 1948 | Barb Patana and Pete Ruohonen dairy farm | Arzooyan / canal |
| 1950 | Ruohonen to Walter Rintala | Arzooyan |
| 1951 | Wm./Anna Heppler to Ida Bettinson | Bettinson /Osma Plat |
| 1951 | Ed Hauswirth cottage built | Maroste / Osma Plat |
| 1952 | or 1953 Bettinson cottage built for Charles/ Alli, and Roy B. | Bettinson/ Osma Plat |
| 1952 | Selma Lantto to Art and Helen Lantto | Ovist /Canal |
| 1952 | Art moves Heinola School to be his home | Ovist |
| 1952 | Goodfellow to Ross | Ruelle / Osma Plat |
| 1953 | Henry/Sigrid Garnell farming on Canal Rd. | Kempke /Canal |
| 1953 | QCD adding Dennis and Ken Rintala to Walter Rintala | Arzooyan /Canal |
| 1953 | Goodfellow to Ross | Kolehmainen / Osma Plat |
| 1953 | Amanda Juntunen Krapu dies | Frair / Osma Plat |
| 1954 | Hawke to Frair | Frair |
| 1955 | Krapu to Hawke | Frair |
| 1955 | Bandettini to Hawke | Morris / Osma Plat |
| 1956 | Art/ Helen quit farming on Canal and move to Osma Plat | Fulayter / Osma Plat |
| 1956 | New Osma Plat Road | Osma Area |
| 1956 | Art/Helen Lantto to Giles / Sally Ekola | Ovist / Canal |
| 1956 | X. Morwood to R. Morwood and wife | Ruelle / Osma Plat |
| 1957 | Kelly to Rompf | West / Osma Plat |
| 1957 | Ross to Poirier | Kolehmainen /Osma Plat |
| 1957 | Art/ Helen Lantto build new home | Fulayter /Osma Plat |
| 1957 | Ed /Linda Hauswirth have cottage | Maroste /Osma Plat |
| 1958 | Harry Mercer dies | Lawton / Osma Plat |
| 1958 | Bessie Mercer sells cottage and 3 lots | Art Lantto/Lawton |
| 1958 | W. Trevathan to Simula | Winter /Osma Plat |
| 1958 | Mercer to Art Lantto | Lawton /Koski / Osma Plat |
| 1958 | Kelly to Rompf | West / Osma Plat |
| 1958 | Andrew Krapu dies | Frair / Osma Plat |
| 1959 | Bettinson adds sauna | Bettinson /Osma Plat |

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| 1960's Bettinson adds bedroom addition | Bettinson |
| 1960 Hawke to Ray Smith | Morris / Osma Plat |
| 1960 Lantto to Frank Koski, tho father in law, Oscar Fratick living here | Koski / Osma Plat |
| 1960 land surveyed and ? of inheritance | Ruelle / Osma Plat |
| 1961 Oskar Fratick clears land and sets up house trailer on lot | Koski / Osma Plat |
| 1961 Vandewege to Martin/Marjorie O'Connor | Ruelle / Osma Plat |
| 1962 Henry/Sigrid sell farm to Chandler | Kempke /Canal |
| 1963 Henry Garnell to Chandler Sect. 8 NW1/4 NE 1/4 | Kempke |
| 1963 Ray Smith to Sherwood Rintala | Morris / Osma Plat |
| 1963 Rintalas were the only year round residents here now | Morris /Osma Plat |
| 1963 Rompf to McManiman | West / Osma Plat |
| 1964 Rintala to Roy/Aileen Carless | Arzooyan /Canal |
| 1964 O Conner to Ken/Jean Richards | Richards/Ruelle /Osma Plat |
| 1964 Kallianinen to Naasko | Karinen /Osma Plat |
| 1964 Kalliainen fish house and ice house torn down | Karinen |
| 1964 Ekola to Bromberg | Ovist /Canal |
| 1964 M/M. O'Connor to John and Jean Richards | Ruelle /Osma Plat |
| 1966 Kalliainen to Naasko | Karinen /Osma Plat |
| 1966 Bromberg to Ovist | Ovist /Osma Plat |
| 1967 Frairs build new cottage | Frair /Osma Plat |
| 1970's Colleen Karinen sees vacant Lantto homestead | Osma Plat Road |
| 1971 Hauswirth to Fred / Isabelle Hayward | Maroste /Osma Plat |
| 1971 Naasko to Butch Karinen | Karinen / Osma Plat |
| 1971 to 1979 Fratick/ Koski cottage vacant | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1971 Art Lantto to daughter Judy/"Bob Corsini lot 9 | Lawton / Osma Plat |
| 1971 Chandler to Al Kempke | Kempke /Canal |
| 1972 Poirier to Kolehmainen | Kolehmainen / Osma Plat |
| 1972 Selma Lantto dies | Fulayter / Osma Plat |
| 1974 Wesley/Ethel Johnson to McClellans, McClellans farming | Mc Clellan / Canal |
| 1974 Q C D Paul and Ruth Tepsa to Jean Richards | Ruelle / Osma Plat |
| 1975 Helen Lantto dies | Fulayter/ OsmaPlat |
| 1975 or 1971? Art Lantto cottage vacant till 1993 | Lawton /Osma Plat |
| 1976 Mitchell to Bill Traub | Traub /Osma Plat |
| 1977 McManiman to Durocher | West /Osma Plat |
| 1978 Rintala to Peltoniemi/Johnson | Morris/Osma Plat |
| 1978 Lantto to Bob Lahti | Lahti /Canal |
| 1979 Frank Koski (wife is a Oscar Fratick daughter) to Oz Koski | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1979 Art Lantto sells all farm property (not home area) to Bob Lahti | Fulayter /Osma Plat |
| 1980 Art Lantto dies | Lawton / Osma Plat |
| 1980 Barb marries Oz Koski. Live on Osma Plat year round residents | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1980-? Al Kempke buys property | Kempke /Canal |
| 1980 Koski's add new roof over all additions | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1983 Tracy Shannon to Gaffney | J. Trevathan / Osma Plat |
| 1983 Durocher to West | West /Osma Plat |

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| 1983 | W. Trevathan to Pipparinen | Winter /Osma Plat |
| 1984 | Peltomiemi/Johnson to Morris | Morris /Osma Plat |
| 1987 | Hawke to Nelson | Nelson / Osma Plat |
| 1988 | Carless to Arzooyan | Arzooyan /Canal |
| 1988 | Nelsons build next to old Hawke Cottage | Nelson /Osma Plat |
| 1988 | Koski's build garage | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1988 | Frairs live year round on Osma Plat | Frair /Osma Plat |
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| 1991 | Pipparienen to Quinlan | Winter /Osma Plat |
| 1991 | Koski's tear down grandfather's boathouse | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1992 | Frairs add 2 car garage, master bed and bath | Frair /Osma Plat |
| 1992 | Ron/Jean McClellan to Glen Hurn | Hurn / Canal |
| 1993 | Jack /Betty Kolehmainen build | Kolehmainen /Osma Plat |
| 1993 | Quinlan to Winter | Winter /Osma Plat |
| 1993 | Hayward to Bob Hauswirth | Maroste /Osma Plat |
| 1993 | Bob Hauwirth to Maroste | Maroste |
| 1993 | Mary marries Bill Traub and they live in home | Traub /Osma Plat |
| 1993 | Corsini/Lantto to Lawton | Lawton /Osma Plat |
| 1994 | Glenn Hurn starts building a house | Hurn /Canal |
| 1994 | Koski's have first block party of Osma Plat | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 1996 | Helen Owen m. Glen Hurn and moves with son Scott to Glen's | Hurn /Canal |
| 1996 | Spec's Bettinson dies | Bettinson /Osma Plat |
| 1997 | Bob Lahti to Mike Karinen and he builds | Mike Karinen /Red Brick Rd. |
| 1997 | Bob Lahti to Lells, Wall | Lells, Wall /Osma Plat |
| 1998 | Glen and Helen Hurn buy more property from Ray McClellan | Hurn/ Canal |
| 1998 | Bob Lahti sells 3 lots to Walls/Lell | Walls / Lells / Osma Plat |
| 1998 | Hugh Walls builds pole barn and lives above | Hugh Walls /Osma Plat |
| 1998 | Bill Lells builds | Bill/Judy Lell /Osma Plat |
| 1998 | Nelsons build boathouse | Nelson /Osma Plat |
| 1999 | Changed rights of survivorship Richards / Ruth Ruelle | Ruelle /Osma Plat |
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| 2002 | Frair build another bedroom and sunroom | Frair /Osma Plat |
| 2002 | Koski's tear out grandfather Fratick's old dock | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 2003 | Alli Bettinson dies and son Chuck buys out brother's share | Bettinson /Osma Plat |
| 2003 | Phil/Kathy Huber to Fulayter | Fulayter / Osma Plat |
| 2003 | Nelson builds pole barn | Nelson /Osma Plat |
| 2004 | Bill and Judy Lells move in new home | B/J Lells /Osma Plat |
| 2004 | Koski's add new dock | Koski /Osma Plat |
| 2004 | Jean Richards to Ruelle/Taivalkoski | Ruelle /Osma Plat |
| 2004 | Frairs have a 100th Osma Plat picnic | Frair /Osma Plat |
| 2004 | Roberts buy property East of Fulayters | Roberts/Osma Plat |
| 2004 | Aaron McClellans buy and build | A. McClellan / Canal |
| 2004 | Chris Walls move into trailer on property | C/M Walls / Osma Plat |
| 2005 | Richards et al to Fred/Ruth Ruelle | Ruelle /Osma Plat |
| 2005 | Chris/Melanie Walls home foundation built | Chris/Melanie Walls Osma Plat |

OSMA PLAT ESTABLISHED

The wooden Osma Plat Road sign says Osma Plat, a private plat, was established in **1904**.

The Kolehmainen's have their abstract record of property back to First Owners -- Feb. 25, 1896 to **April 1904** as Oskar Eliassen and wife Elsa (Johnson). Elsa is no relation to the Johnsons on Red Brick road according to Bill Johnson present resident on Red Brick Road. Andrew Johnson sold land on Osma Plat Road to Oscar Eliassen on April 1, 1904.

Maybe that is when the Government lots were broken down into lot numbers we have now like Koski is Lot 7 and part of lot 8.

Plat Maps are available at MTU Archives and MSU Extension.

KELLY'S BAY FORMED

The Portage Lake and Lake Superior Ship Canal Co began the dredging of the Portage Canal in 1868. It was finished in 1873. Soil was put on land on Houghton side to create the hill on Government land. When it was widened in 1938, the point of land across from Butch Karinen (Kelly's bay) was formed when they put the dredged material there.

Kelly Bay, according to Tony Lampinen whose farm was on Bay Shore Road, says that "As far as I know, it was formed when the canal was widened in the 1930's.. and the dredge dumpings. This is what I have heard all along. When we moved to the farm in 1958, the point was all cow pasture with very little vegetation but grasses and wild strawberries."

Art Kelly (in Oskar Cemetery, Kelly Arthur Paul Nov 1 1894 Oct 13 1959 Michigan OS US Coast Guard WWI) had property that is now Wests at end of Osma Plat Road. He lived there 1944 to 1958. His parents had property on Relief Road/N. Superior.

Ray Niemi, who has a trailer cottage on other side of Kelly Bay told Barb Koski today (2-22-08): when Mr. McManiman (Mrs. Wests property now) wanted to sell his property to Francis Durocher (so he could make a marina) Mr. Lampinen across Kelly Bay from him (McManiman) said that he(Lampinen) had property on this side of Kelly Bay. Mr. Lampinen had a survey and that was correct. McManiman had the point of land on the other side of Kelly Bay. They swapped properties so McManiman had all the shore line of this side (Osma Plat Road) of Kelly bay.

How did Osma Plat get its name?

Mary Traub said that maybe it is Finnish: 1) reeds and bulrushes 2)-land surveyor.

Craig Morris says Mr. Frising was the original surveyor of plats.

Mrs. Frair says: My Finnish friends tell me that Osma is a Finnish name. Although perhaps he wasn't the surveyor, he could have been the developer.

Kelly's Road/Osma Plat Road

At the Houghton County Road Commission office, Engineer, Kevin, told Barb Koski that all they have on Osma Plat was a 1939 road map. It was listed as Osma Plat Road. Kevin knew of no Kelly's road. The description though seems to be the "Kelly Road" -the road that went through Selma/Eino Lantto farm, down to Juntunens/ Krapus and down to Kelly's at end of present day Osma Plat Road.

Bucky Ovist said that the original Osma Plat road (Kelly's road) was a driveway, a two

track, which began at the present day Bucky Ovist driveway. (after the canal road was moved around 1978). It was an extension of the Red Barn road that cuts off to North Superior Road. Kelly's road came down thru the field on high ground, back to a transformer behind Fulayter's present home. The transformer was south of the road and the Lantto dairy barn was on the North side of road. The road went to the Andrew Krapu farm (Frairs now) then past cottages to Kelly and Kalliainen property. Kelly was here 1944 to 1958.

The summer of 2006 I visited with Bucky Ovist and Bob Karinen and toured Fulayter's property. One can see the openness of a "road" thru Fulayters property lining up Bucky's drive in between Fulayter's groves of trees behind his pole barn, and a power pole in a pine tree stand on the present road. Bob Karinen said that Andrew Riekki had a farm in the grove of trees on the now Frair farm by the now Osma Plat Road.

On Bucky Ovist's Abstract Deed he has this note: 'In 1916 a road right of way was governed: "Twenty feet wide in Sect 5, town 55N of Range 34 West along section line 1330 feet, then North at right angle 20 feet then East parallel to section line 1330 feet, then South to point of beginning". And then the description goes on to describe " as according to survey map filed in Stanton Township Highway Commission." Bucky describes the drive/road as being on the South side of his home and garage, on section line. John Botto, township clerk, knows of no Stanton Township Road Commission. hummm. Houghton County takes over all county roads in 1910.

Paul Frair shares - " the present day Nelsons drive was the old 2 track road to Juntunens."

Chuck Bettinson shares - "The driveway/road was about a car length-parking place behind (North) the cottages. A new road was made soon after a cement truck rolled on its side into the swamp near where the present culvert is by Frairs. Maybe 1953? The truck was carrying cement for the Hauswirth Cottage slab. The new road was moved North, to the back lot line so cottages had more back yard without drive going thru property."

Bucky and Ozzie Koski remember that the Osma road in the swamp would flood bad enough some years that they got across in an aluminum boat. 1960's?

Bucky recalls that the road commission dug a ditch on North side of Osma Plat road on Bob Lahti property / West property line to allow more water to go there.

Now two beaver dams block the water in the swamp. Mrs. West has okayed (with her knowledge) to have trappers get the beaver. A friend of Oz Koski got a few the summer of '05 but new sign are there now.

In 1956 or before maybe 1953? the new Osma Plat road was built when Art and Helen built and moved into the present day Fulayters. It went from old location behind the Lantto homestead to in front of the Art Lantto home that is Fulayters today.

First Settlers with homes on now Osma Plat Road:

1886- Nillo and Anna Juntunen got to home by water.

1900? - Andrew Reikki and parents prior to 1921. Andrew sold to Selma/Eino Lantto (Fulayters) in 1921

1917 Ashton. Now home of Bill and Mary Traub.

1918 Kellinsalmi's on now West property

1921 Mercer on now Lawton property.

1928 ? Bandettini on now Morris or Nelson property.

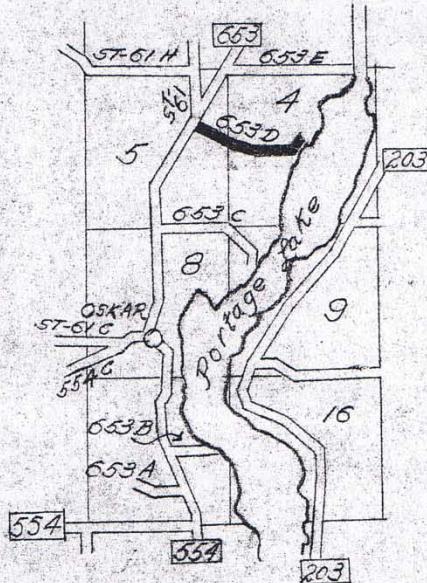
1951 "Specs" and Alli Bettinson on now son Chuck/Diane Bettinson property.

1951 Hauswirth on Mark/Julie Maroste property.

1952 Art Lantto on Bucky /Betty Ovist property.
1957 Art Lantto on Pete/Alma Fulayter property.
1961 Oscar Fratick on "Ozzie" / Barb Koski property.

Road ST-653D south east off of
653 from north east quarter of
section 5, T55-R34.

December 1,
1938



- 0.00 Leave Co. Rd. 653
 - R. O. W.-----Undetermined
 - Grade-----None
 - Surface-----14 Ft. Sand and Gravel
- 0.04 Farm house left - *ovists now*
Enter farm
- 0.24 Farm house right *Selma Art*
Barn left
 - Grade-----14 Ft. Ditched on left side
 - Surface-----Natural Sand and Gravel
- 0.49 Curve left
- 0.58
 - R. O. W.-----18 Ft.
 - Grade-----12 Ft.
 - Surface-----10 Ft. Sand and Gravel
- 0.61 Curve right
- 0.69 Curve left
- 0.73 Road right to farm house and cottage - *Sunkinen or Kieki*
- 0.80 Turn left
 - Surface-----Natural Sand and Gravel
- 0.82 Trail right *Sunkinen?*
- 0.88 Cottage right *Wawke?*
- 0.89 Road right to cottage
- 0.99 " " " "
- 1.00 Turn right
- 1.03 Farm house right - *Kelly?*
End of road on Portage Canal.

First Settlers with homes North of Oskar: (Oskar Eliassen sold his logging properties)

1875 Oskar Eliassen who sold in 1907 to Frank Eilola

1880 Jacob Ojanpera on now John Arzooyan's home

1882 Alekski Garnell on now Deric Garnell property. Alekski had son Alex who had property on North Superior Road. Alex's son Richard Garnell and his son carried on the family farm.

1890 Gustov/Elsa Alexandra Olson started the well known Olson Farm.

Son Alex took over farm. Then Alex's son John took over the farm. Now Dunstan has the farm.

1896 Alex/Marie Lahti then son Bob took over the farm.

1900 Alex Olson farming on Canal Rd.

1900 Jon Bollard farming on now Ken Rintala's property.

1900 Yalmer Lantto/Hilda farming on today's Walter Lantto property.

1902 Adam Lantto farming.. and son Eino 1915. Houghton Canal and Osma Plat.

1902 Andrew Koski farming on the Red Barn Road extension North past North Superior Road. This is my husband Oz Koski's great great grand father.

? August Bohjanen farming at end of now Ruohonen Road in Oskar.

Joyce, wife of great grandson lives still on the property.

1909 Emil Johnson farming on now McClellan's property.

1900? August Rintala farming. Son, Sherwood and Shirley Rintala are living on property today.

1901 Issac Knuuttila farming. Robert/Lois Knuuttila now have property.

1900? Fred/Anna Waara to daughter Lena/Art Oinas to local gal Edna Garnell/Wilbert Lampinen (now small tracts on Bay Shore Road).

Barb Koski to neighbor Chuck Lawton: I wanted to tell you about a name I found while researching at MTU Archives about Edgemere near Redridge. Edgemere was 1/2 mile from Redridge going towards Freda. The community was formed around the Adventure Consolidated Copper Company in Greenland's stamp mill . In document of 1909 Charles L. Lawton was General Supt. of the mill. I also see his name in 1911. Wonder if any relation to you!! I do not see his name in the Stanton Township census of 1910... must have lived in Ont. County/Greenland.?

Chuck Lawton to Barb Koski: OK, so Charles L. (Lathem) Lawton was my grandfather's brother. Charles was the oldest of the siblings. He got a mining engineering degree and worked with a copper mining company out west someplace, when he got a job as mining captain of the Quincy Mining Company. He was the longest running tenure superintendant than anyone before him and worked for them up to the depression when the mine closed. Now, this job with Adventure Mine's stamp mill is news to me! Perhaps he had this responsibility because the Quincy bought the Adventure mine? Or maybe he had the position before Quincy hired him or something like that.

Red Brick Road residents.

Aleksi Garnell. First resident on Red Brick Road.

Jack Ruohonen's history of Oskar shares this about: Aleksi/Alex Sr. He was born 1857 and his wife Sanna nee Simi was born in 1858 in Kalojoki in the Tynka village. They married in Viipuri in 1881 where then son Alex Jr. was born in 1882. They came to Oskar in 1888 where he worked as a carpenter and painter in Eliassen's paint shop. He also ran a boarding house and in the end he became a farmer. They had two more sons. Kasper born in 1893 and died in 1896, and Henry born in 1899 and still alive (1953). Alex Sr. died in 1934 and Sanna in 1919.

Son to Aleksi Garnell, Henry, shares on his 1977 WMPL Heritage line interview:

My father came to America in 1888. He was a woodsman and carpenter.

My mother's brother John came here first and like the area and encouraged others in family in Finland to come. It was attractive with opportunities to make a living.

People came by the boatload after the Finnish Civil war to about 1910 when the US had restrictions that not so many were allowed.

POLK Directories share this information on Alexander Garnell Sr.(Aleksi):

1897 Aleksi has a boarding house. Boarding are: son Alexander; Isaac Hakela a laborer; Michael Heikkila (this is author's husband Ozzie Koski's great grandfather later to raise a family in Liminga) a laborer; Albert Iyek a laborer; Solmon Juntunen, a laborer (later to have own property North of Bay Shore Rd); and Andrew Koski a laborer (this is Oz Koski's great great grandfather) relative and later has own property North of North Superior by Red Barn Road intersection).Aleksi's domestic is Annie Garvonen

1901 as a farmer. Boards: son, Salomon Juntunen still,

1905. as a farmer. Boards: son, Solomon Juntunen still,

1916. as a farmer.

Johnson.

A Daily Mining Gazette article in October 24, 1964 states:

"The North Canal Brick Co. functioned on land now owned by the Johnson family- Walter, Leonard, and their sister Mrs. Martha Johnson Fischer. Once controlled by the late Copper Country pioneer Andrew Johnson, the land passed down to the late William Johnson and then to his three offspring (Walter, Leonard, and Martha)'. See article on Red Brick Factory.

Lawton.

Chuck Lawton: Here is what I know about the Lawton settlements on the Red Brick Road.

Back in the early '40's, maybe during WWII or soon thereafter, my grandfather, Swaby Lawton, who had a law practice in Hancock, owned a log cabin he commissioned a contractor to build out on US 41 on Big Portage, near the entrance to the golf course. His two son's and daughter (my father, Charles Lawton, and my uncle, Robert Lawton and my aunt, Harriet Lawton) were married by this time and began having families of their own. The little kids, (Mary (Sinish), John Lawton and my brother Steve Lawton) began playing around the cabin when they were using it. (I wasn't born yet) Well, my grandfather was scared to death that one of the kids would be playing on the RR tracks and would meet their death some day when a train would

come through, being so close to the cabin. So, he decided to look for some lake property north of Hancock and that's when he found a large parcel for sale out on Red Brick Road.

He liked the Houghton side of the lake better because the highway didn't run so close to the cabins like it does on the Hancock side. So he bought a single property that was a few acres in size, that included 300 feet of lake shore frontage. So he bought it. There was no cottage on it, just land. The property was shaped like a piece of pie, with the pointed end deep in the swamp that was behind Red Brick Road.

Back in the late 60's my Dad and I donned mosquito repellent and hiked back there to find the surveyors stake where all the properties at that end of the road all joined at that stake. (Side bar comment).

Anyway, so Swaby needed to get a cottage built on the property, so he ended up buying the Corps of Engineers building that was used when they dug the canal. When the dredging project was completed, the building stood vacant for many years, so Swaby bought it from the government and hired a guy with tractor to drag it down the lake in the winter and plunk it on his property on Red Brick Road.

My grandfather thought the property was pretty big, so he figured some day he could split it in two and sell off the other half to one of his kids, and that's exactly what took place. He sold it to his youngest son, Robert A. Uncle Bob as we called him built a cottage that still stands today. John Lawton owns it now.

Anyway, I have all my childhood memories in the old cottage that was the Corps of Engineers office building. It is, of course, torn down now. When my brother ended up with it, and he promptly sold it when my father passed away. The folks who bought it tore it down to build a permanent home there. That's the big gray house to the north of John Lawton's cottage.

Eventually Bob and Jane passed away too, and now John Lawton (the dentist – my cousin) owns the cottage.

I have tons of old pictures of my Dad's cottage including old 35mm slides when it was owned by my grandfather. I also took many photos of the place just before they had it torn down – sad day. (Had my brother offered it to me to buy I would have owned it instead of buying our cottage.

Back to the Corp of Engineers cottage, when my Grandfather Swaby died in the spring of 1948, my Grandmother Lucy owned it for quite a long time until she couldn't take care of it anymore, so she sold it to my Dad, maybe around 1962 – something like that.

In the mean time, Harriet Lawton Malm (my Dad's sister) wanted a place up there too, so they waited until something became available, and that's when the Shubert's put their cottage up for sale. This would be two doors down (to the north) from my Dad's cottage. Back then it was Bob Lawton just to the south of my Dad's cottage, then my Dad, Charles Lawton (going to the north) then it was Harold and Wilena Lent (the superintendant of Hancock's schools, now the Cortwright's cottage today), the West's, then the Shuberts.

So, Mary's Mom and Dad, Harriet and Larry Malm, bought the Shuberts place. They used it for a few years with the idea that when Larry retired, they would tear it down or sell it, and build a nice modern year-round home. And that's just what they did. It was their first home they ever owned. He worked for Happenstal Steel Company out of Pittsburg, PA and they moved around all the time, so they spent their entire life living in apartments, until Larry retired, and then they built their first home, what is now the Oaks, of course. I remember when they dug the hole in the ground.

Anyway, when Larry Malm sold the cottage, the new owner ended up hiring a guy with a large tractor (like a large earth mover rig) who moved the cottage down the lake in the winter time. So, they moved it onto the property right across from us (on Osma Plat Road) on the other side of Kelly's bay. I used to visit my uncle Larry and Aunt Harriet (and Mary of course) in that cottage when it was down the lake on Mary's property! So, the story continues because after the guy dragged the cottage down the lake and plunked it on the property it now stands, he turned around and drove his rig back down the lake to the south, and the dumb knucklehead drove his rig right down the same path he pulled the house, and of course, the ice was weakened from the load, and the ice broke through and down to the bottom of the lake his tractor and rig went!

After Harriet and Larry died, Mary ended up inheriting the house they built. Well, she didn't like paying taxes, so she donated the house and property to the Keweenaw Land Trust with the stipulation she could live out her natural life there, and you know the rest of the story on that. (became the Marsin Center)

While this was going on, my Uncle Bob learned that the O'Neal's place "just" to the south of his cottage was going up for sale. The family died off many years before that, and the cottage began deteriorating more and more every year because no-one used it any more. So, my uncle (again, John Lawton's Dad) was afraid that someone would buy the place and he wouldn't have the peace and quiet they enjoyed all those years. So he bought it, and sort of fixed it up a little, but didn't use it for anything really, so it eventually all fell apart, which was a shame really because the O'Neals had a lot of money, and that cottage was really a nice big place. All this took place, I want to say, maybe in the mid 60's.

Well, after Bob and Jane died, John Lawton ended up owning the cottage to the north, and the O'neals place, which is nothing but land now, is owned by my other cousin, Andy Lawton, which is John's brother, my other cousin. So it is still in the Lawton family.

Well, I'm giving you the 5 cent historical tour, but as you can tell, I'm a whole lot more familiar with the history of Red Brick Road than I am of Osma Plat Road. Now for the rest of it – Joan and I talked about whether we would have liked it better owning my Dad's cottage, or are we better off owning the place we bought. We came to the conclusion that God knows best because we feel we are really blessed with our neighbors that has enriched our lives so much more than if we had bought my Dad's cottage from my brother.

Shuberts then Malm, then Sinish..

Harriet and Larry Malm bought the property and cottage from the Shuberts. Shubert's cottage was moved to the North point of Kelly's bay and Malm's built the home.

George Shubert built a boat house with floor. Then built a cabin cruiser. Then built harness/sling/hoist for the boat. Raised the boat. Cut out the floor. Lower the boat and used it. Mary Sinish used that lift for her pontoon boat - The Lolypop.

Knaebel.

Carl Henry Knaebel was a Prof of Mathmatics at MTU. Lived on Clark St. but used the cottage that his father in law (Wright) built. The family lived there from 1930 to 1950. Son Gene Knaebel shares stories of being with Henry and Sigrid Garnell down the road.

The property was sold and eventually became the MacDonalds today.

Today:

Mike Karinen
great grandson to Selma and Eino Lantto
single

The following 4 homes are descendants of Andrew Johnson who was a partner in the North Canal Brick Company.

Neil Kromer - grandson of Walter Johnson. Son of Nancy and Norm Kromer,
Married to Stephanie. They have two children - Levy and Ellie
Bill Johnson- great grandson of Andrew Johnson. Son of Leonard/Irene Johnson.
Married to Eddie Jean. Children grown.
Nancy Kromer - She is daughter of Walter Johnson. Married to Norm.
Mary Comi - She is daughter of Walter Johnson. Married to Angelo.

Norbert and Helen Verville
Marsin Center .. was Mary/Tony Sinish and her parents (Malm) before that.
Paul and Dorothy Paul
John Cortwright
Jack and Joanne Travillian
John and Carla Lawton
Andrew Lawton
Goodrun McDonald
Lisa Check
Deric Garnell- grandson of Aleksi Garnell. Son of Henry and Sigrid Garnell.
Deric lives on ancestors Homestead land.
Chris and Kerry Williston across from MacDonald.