# FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2012



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Note: Not all events are listed on this and other DFCSCA calendars. If you are planning an event and wish to check the availability of a specific facility on a certain date, please call Karen Pype (248-926-6219).

## Bar Committee "Made in America" Dance

Have you heard about the "Made in America" dance on Saturday, September 1? We are going red, white and blue! Put on your dancin' duds and join us at 8:00 p.m. in the Dance Hall with our favorite DJ, Kerry. There will be prizes and a 50/50! Beer and wine will be sold in the Dance Hall and the Clubroom. No cover, but donations will be accepted to help pay for the DJ. So come on down! —Bar Committee

## **DFCSCA Annual Golf Tournament**

The Detroit Finnish Cooperative Summer Camp Association's Annual Labor Day Open Invitational Golf Tournament at Hickory Hill Golf Course on Sunday, September 2, will be a scrambles tournament. Tee times are still available. Tee times are from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m.: first come, first served. Nominal entry fees plus greens fees and optional cart rental. Open to all members. See or call Mary or Rob Johnson for more details and to sign up, at 248-624-4568.

### **Campers' Picnic**

Our traditional end-of-season campers' picnic will be Saturday, September 8, at 7:00 p.m., rain or shine, on the hill by the Clubroom. The Association will as usual provide hotdogs, buns and condiments as well as two tickets per membership that can be used for beverages in the bar. Please

# CALENDAR SNAPSHOT

## September

- 1—Bar Committee "Made in America" dance, 8:00 p.m., Dance Hall
- 2—Annual Golf Tournament. Tee times noon to 2 p.m., Hickory Hill Golf Course
- 6—Future Planning Committee, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom
- 8—Campers' Picnic, 7:00 p.m., outside Clubroom
- 9—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon
- 12—Sisterhood, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 21—Recreation Committee, 8:00 p.m., Clubroom
- 23—Fall Classic Men's Golf Scramble. Reg. 8:00 a.m., tee-off 9:00 a.m., River Bank Golf Course
- 29—Autumn Fest and *Mojakka* Cookoff, 5:00 p.m., Clubroom

## October

- 4—Future Planning Committee, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom
- 6—Wine Tasting, 7:00–10:00 p.m., Clubroom
- 10—Sisterhood, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 14—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon
- 20—Adult Halloween Party, Clubroom
- 27—Children's Halloween Party, Clubroom
- 28—Semiannual Meeting, 12:00 noon, registration begins at 11:00 a.m.

bring your own roasting sticks. Come out and share a great time with your fellow members!

### Fall Classic Men's Golf Scramble

Sunday, September 23, at the River Bank Golf Course, South Lyon, 10 Mile and Currie. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m.; tee-off, 9:00 a.m. See Dave Niemi or email him at finncamper@comcast.net.

# Autumn Fest and Mojakka Cookoff

On September 29 at 5:00 p.m. we will hold our Autumn Fest and *Mojakka* Cookoff, featuring this distinctive Finnish staple in varieties for every taste: beef, chicken, pork, vegetarian, fish. Music will be provided by Finn Folk, including Finn Camp's own Steve Niemi on guitar. All proceeds are to benefit the Scholarship Fund. Adults are \$5, children 5 to 17 are \$3 and families (parents and children ages 5 to 17) are \$15.

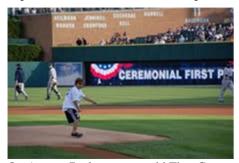
Enter the Year-of-Finn-Camp Fun Raffle! for a chance to win a crockpot filled with coupons, free admission to Finn Camp events, and other prizes!

Enter the *Mojakka* Cookoff by sending an email to FinnCulture@Yahoo.com no later than Friday, September 28. Include your name, contact information and the type of *mojakka* (e.g., beef, fish, pork, chicken, or vegetarian). The *mojakka* must be in a crockpot or microwave/oven-safe container and dropped off at the Clubroom by 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 29. Prizes will be awarded for the first-, second- and third-place *mojakkas*. Each entrant will receive **five** free entries into the Year-of-Finn-Camp Fun Raffle!

# Fifth Annual Wine Tasting

Tule mukaan nauttinaan espanjan viinia!

Come enjoy the romantic wines of Spain on October 6, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. in the Clubroom. Explore the different wine regions of Spain, starting with Spanish Cavas. We'll serve light appetizers and have a live blues and jazz band. Reserve your spot by October 1! The cost is only \$15 per person. Call Joni at 248-882-4626 or email her at jsennhenn@comcast.net. —Sponsored by the Sisterhood



On August 7, eleven-year-old Finn Camper Jackson Pype threw out the first pitch for the Tigers, against the Yankees. Perhaps Jackson should have gotten credit for the game—the Tigers won, 6–5.

### Wanted

New members looking to purchase a camp. Please contact James (586-601-5449) or Tiffany (586-675-9636) Duffney.

## Camp for Sale

Camp 106 (west side) New roof, many extras Call Tom: 586-770-2156

# Camp for Sale

Camp 119 (west side)
New roof last summer,
new hardwood floors,
refrigerator/freezer.
Loft system bed could
sleep either 2 adults or 3
small children.
Asking \$4,000.
Call Dan Jamieson:
248-361-0116

## Wanted to Buy

Used aluminum boat. Contact Brian Pelto at ph: 734-658-8804 or email: bpelto@ ohiogratings.com

#### Lost

Canon DSLR camera lost during Juhannus. If found call Dave Grogan, 248 974-5904 or write dsgisme@yahoo.com.



Children's Weekend. The other main event then was this year's play, "Aladdin," shown on page 1 at the curtain call.

# The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Finn Fest

A big thanks to all our members, members' children and friends who helped make our 35<sup>th</sup> Finn Fest another great one! *Kiitos* to everyone who worked hours or simply pitched in when needed! That is the meaning of *cooperative* and what helped make our event a success! Although the crowds were dodging raindrops from time to time, with cooler temperatures on Friday and Saturday, they were not discouraged, and there was plenty of good food, entertainment and softball to keep us busy! Congratulations to the 2012 Tournament Champions, Team Merkin, with the Bayside Regulators taking second place and Dabco Tools in third. Please read the October newsletter for more details from the weekend and my long list of thanks! Meanwhile, mark your calendars to join us for the 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Finn Fest, August 9–11, 2013.—Robyn Jokinen, Finn Fest Chairperson

Denise Fernald, Caren Boatman's mother, won the "Little Houses" quilt that was raffled off the Sunday of Finn Fest. The monies collected are being donated half for cancer research (in Denise's honor) and half to hospice care (in Jim Aro's memory). Thank you to all who purchased a ticket. —Lori Aro

#### Need a Seamstress?

Call Cindi Maddick for all your alterations, custom work and mending at 248-303-7337.

# Beverly Jokinen Graphic Artist

Websites and Print Graphics— Creative ideas, personalized attention, special DFCSCA rates. See portfolio at www.bcpreview.com. Email Beverly@bcpreview.com or call 248-207-1850.

## **Cords of Firewood for Sale**

\$50 for members and nonmembers.
Delivery extra.

## Slab Wood for Sale

Slab wood for sale for \$5 each may be found near the pole barn.

Contact Mike Honka, ph. 248-860-5109.

## Tree Care, Snow Removal

Tree and Snow Removal
Tree and Hedge Trims/
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or Dead Limbs
Experienced Tree Climber
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Call Kris Benestad
(248) 909-0141 or email
Kbenestad45@gmail.com



Gus Rockwood and Aila Paukovits enjoying Finn Fest.

Over Finn Fest weekend, Tim Santti had his finish nail gun stolen from his vehicle. It was parked at his camp or at Sun Lake all that weekend. If anyone has seen anything, please let either the board or Tim know.

And over Children's weekend, during the Sunday track meet, Kurt Peurasaari had his shaving kit taken from the West Side bathhouse. It contained his electric shaver and trimmer and toothbrush. Anyone with any information is asked to see Kurt—he's the one with the new full beard.

## **Brick Pavers at Sun Lake**

There have been a number of inquiries about getting additional bricks to place at Sun Lake. If you are interested in purchasing a brick or additional bricks, please send your name and phone number to Treasurer@finncamp.org. As soon as we have an idea how many people are interested, we can supply more definite information on cost and a timetable.

## **BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS**

Beginning September 5, Wednesday saunas will be available only as volunteers sign up to run them. There is a sign-up sheet at the beach to earn your hours.

It has come to our attention that the motion from April's Annual Meeting regarding the purchase of a dump truck was not handled properly. Please accept this as notice that at our Semiannual Meeting the board will be requesting to spend up to \$15,000 to purchase a dump truck. The Semiannual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 28, at noon. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. Time is running out to complete your work hours for 2012. We have many projects going on that we would like to finish, such as the tile work in the kitchen, Clubroom bathroom renovations and several other things. Please contact Works Administrators Don Matt, Kevin Homola or Denny Sennhenn before it's too late!

# Articles Wanted— Member Spotlight

Do you have a favorite memory of growing up in the Finn Camp you'd like to share? Perhaps you have an interesting story of Finn Camp history. Member spotlight articles are especially interesting. Please send a few paragraphs, preferably with a photograph, to: newsletter\_editor@finncamp.org

The committee is always seeking fun and interesting stories from members. The fall *talkoo* will be on Sunday, November 4, at 10:00 a.m. Please come out and help prepare our grounds and buildings for the winter. Enjoy a bowl of *mojakka* and a free sauna for all the workers. At this time we will be disposing of all boats on Sun Lake and Loon Lake that have not been marked with a camp number or owner's name. Please be sure to mark your boat or remove it prior to this date.

For members who have suggestions, comments or board-related business, please send an email to board@finncamp.org.

**The Scholarship Committee** is now seeking applicants. Scholarship application forms are available at the beach, in the Clubroom and through Millie Packard (248-554-9998) or emailing scholarships@finncamp.org.

## **Camp Country News**

Our camp reservation agent, Caren Boatman, reports that the Association's own camp, Number 129, is still able to be reserved. However, she says, "It's been a surprisingly slow summer. [Last summer, Caren succeeded in reserving the camp for every weekend, all summer.] I would love for members to spread the word to their trusted family and friends so we can fill up the rest of the season!" The camp could use some new shutters, she says, if anyone would like to earn hours. And she is still accepting donations for inside amenities such as an updated television, radio and/or DVD player. Please call Caren at 248-224-2847 or e-mail her at reservations@finncamp.org if you have any questions or are interested in reserving this camp, on the West Side.

## **Board and Committee Meetings**

The Finn Camp is happy to welcome new member Angie Schroder.

### **Board of Directors**

Sunday, September 9, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon Sunday, October 14, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon Sunday, October 28, Semiannual Meeting, 12:00 noon, registration begins at 11:00 a.m.

## **Future Planning Committee**

September 6, 7:30 p.m., in the boardroom.

### **Recreation Committee**

September 21, 8:00 p.m., Clubroom. From now on, this committee plans to meet on the third Friday of each month, at 8:00 p.m. in the Clubroom.

## Sisterhood

Wednesday, September 12, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom

#### Free "CLASSIFIED" Ads

All members are invited to list here any services—for pay or barter—that they would like to advertise. Whether it's a service such as handyman or seamstress or pet care, or seasonal activities like garage sales, we will be listing these in upcoming newsletters. All you have to do is provide—via your business card or information you supply by mail or email to the newsletter editor (see the box on the last page) the following information: The type of service offered; a description of just what you do as the service provider; your price (hourly rate, job rate, to be negotiated, or whatever); your name; and your contact information (preferred method and times: phone, email, etc.). Total length, including spaces, should not exceed 50 words, not counting the headings. (Overlength copy will be edited for fit.) The deadline is the same as the date for newsletter copy: the 15th of each month.

### **Condolences**

Long-time Finn Camp member Virve S. Soderblom, a permanent resident of Lake Worth, Fla., since 1993, passed away August 14. She was born October 25, 1922, in Helsinki, the daughter of Carl W. and Edith (Sunila) Soderblom. A graduate of Detroit Northwestern High School in 1939, she was employed for many years by Motor City Electric Co. in various accounting and financial positions, eventually retiring as treasurer and a member of the board of directors. She was active in many Finnish organizations in the Lake Worth area as well as those in Michigan. She is survived by her brother-in-law Paul E. Milott, Jr., of Mattapoisett, Mass., and Jupiter, Fla.; nephew Paul E. Milott III of Cambridge, Mass.; nieces Lisa Puhala of Round Rock, Tex.; and Karli Lomax of Houston, Tex., and their respective families. Funeral arrangements are being made. Our condolences to her family.

Elizabeth Linick of Dearborn Heights, age 81, passed away on Saturday, July 28. She is survived by her husband of 60 years, George; brother, Alvin; sons, Mark and Daniel (Pamela, spouse and Finn Camp member); daughter, Melissa; grandchildren, Meaghan and Braden; preceded in death by brother Russell (Joanne) Loughley. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh, Livonia, MI 48154. Our condolences to Dan and Pam Linick and family.



Laila Elizabeth Pelto passed away on August 8 in her 97th year. Beloved wife of the late Emil, loving mother of Nancy Pelto, Joan (Clyde) Amos and Carol (Steven) Melancon. Cherished grandmother of Eric (Laura), Erin, Christopher and Brian. Proud great-grandmother of Evelyn. She is preceded in death by infant sons Edward and David, sister Lillian (Earl) Rivard and brothers Helmer and Hubert Saastamoinen. Our condolences to Finn Camp members Carol and Joan and their families.

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