



Canada geese (*Branta canadensis*) and preflight offspring on Sun Lake in May.

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).

Welcome Back, Campers!

Come in your PJ's to an adults-only party—fun, food, music and prizes. The festivities begin at 9:00 p.m. in the Clubroom on Saturday, June 1. There will be a \$2 cover, but free admission for those dressed in their PJs. We would greatly appreciate your bringing an item for the food table. —Bar Committee

Men's Spring Scramble Golf Outing

The annual men's spring classic golf outing is on Sunday, June 2, at the Riverbank Golf Course, 24095 Currie Rd., South Lyon (10 Mile and Currie). Registration starts at 8:00 a.m., with tee offs at 9:00. See Dave Niemi for more details.

Annual Fishing Derby

Sunday, June 9, could be your lucky day at our annual fishing derby. Come alone, with a friend or bring the family. (This event is for members and their guests only; others are responsible for any nonderby beach fees.) Registration starts at 9:00 a.m., the fishing begins at 10:00, and lunch is about noon. Fish for hours, enjoy a freshly cooked fish-and-chip lunch—and maybe even win a great prize! There will be games and raffles for young and old. If you're not into

CALENDAR SNAPSHOT

June

- 1—PJ Party, 9:00 p.m., Clubroom
- 2—Men's Spring Golf Outing, 8:00 a.m.
- 3—Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., no visitors. **Camp inspections** follow.
- 6—Future Planning Committee, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom
- 9—Fishing Derby, 9:00 a.m.
- 15—Sisterhood Committee, 6:00 p.m., beach
- 15—Recreation Committee, 8:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 16—Father's Day Breakfast, 8:00 a.m. to noon, *Kentta*
- 23—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon.
- 29—Juhannus

July

- 6—Sattuma performance, 7:00 p.m., Dance Hall
- 7—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon.
- 7—Board-sponsored breakfast, 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., *Ravintola*
- 12—Sisterhood Committee, 7:00 p.m., *Ravintola*
- 20—Recreation Committee, 8:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 24—Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., no visitors
- 27—1:00 p.m., Flotilla, Sun Lake

fishing, come and volunteer to put in some work hours. Volunteers are always needed. Donations of salad, fruit, veggies or dessert will really be appreciated. For only \$4 per person, how can you go wrong? Look for the sign-up information, which will be at the beach.

Sisterhood Beach Outing

The Sisterhood is holding a meeting and happy hour/snack hour on June 15 at Sun Lake at 6:00 p.m. Come out and enjoy an evening at the beach! For details contact Tammie King at 248-624-6691.

Father's Day Breakfast

The Bar Committee is sponsoring a Father's Day Breakfast at the *Kenttä* on Sunday, June 16, from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Finn Fest USA 2013, Hancock, Michigan, June 19–23

It's Finn Fest time! For full details, see earlier newsletters. Or go to www.finnfestusa2013.org, or call 906-370-3110. To help in your planning, here is a summary of the basic costs.

Tori (marketplace).....\$5 (approx. per person)

Does not require registration

*Daily—Adult.....\$30

*Daily—Youth.....\$12

**Includes the tori, shuttle and events of the day—additional admission required to some events*

* *Full registration rates for the entirety of the festival (June 19–23):

Adult.....\$100

Youth (ages 5–17).....\$40

Family (2 adults & 3 children ages 5–17).....\$240

Child under 5.....Free

***Full festival registration gives the bearer access to 15 hours of programming each day, Wednesday through Saturday, as well as 6 hours on Sunday. This programming includes presentations, performances, tori, shuttle service lectures, demonstrations, exhibits and children's zone. Some events require additional admission and are listed separately on the registration form.*

More Lore: Findians, Finglish, Finntowns

Workers, miners, loggers, idealists, communists, utopians: early last century, numerous Finns left for North America to find their fortunes, settling in Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Ontario. Some 800,000 of their descendants now live around the continent, but the old Finntowns have disappeared, and Finglish is fading away—that amusing language cocktail: äpylipai, apple pie.

The 375th anniversary of the arrival of the first Finnish and Swedish settlers, in Delaware, was celebrated on May 11. Helsinki journalist and photographer Vesa Oja met hundreds of American Finns over the

You Can Help

What have we been missing—for instance, we've just begun asking here for information about new family members and new members (below, in **bold**). What else would you like to hear about? How is the “look and feel” of the newsletter? Are you finding the online edition easily accessible? If you receive the print version, can you suggest any changes, apart from having to print it in black and white?

New Family Members: Have you had a birth or adoption in the family since last month's newsletter? Let us know the name and parents' names and supply a photo (optional) so we can welcome the new one.

New Members: We'd like to introduce you properly to the rest of the membership. Could you supply us with a photo, and answer a few basic questions:

Are you the first of your family to become a member?

How did you connect with Finn Camp?

What do you hope to find here—children's programs, cultural events, outdoor activities?

Do you have a camp, or are you looking for one?

See below on how to reach us.

Condolences: Please supply the name, approximate date of death and information about how the decedent is a member of the Finn Camp community. A returnable photo would be appreciated.

Email the Newsletter Committee at: newsletter_editor@finncamp.org. Or mail to D.F.C.S.C.A., 2524 Loon Lake Rd., Wixom, MI 48393.

Or approach someone on the committee (see page 6). Thank you.

last eight years and has now crafted those photos and stories into his new book *Finglish: Finns in North America*. The author and his wife, Päivi, his collaborator on the project, will be at Finn Fest USA 2013 to discuss and sign copies of the book.

Juhannus

Our annual Juhannus celebration will be held on Saturday, June 29, one week later than usual, to accommodate FinnFest USA 2013 being held the previous weekend. In lieu of the car show, we hope to organize a horseshoe tournament that will include the youth as well as adults, to run from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. If you might be interested in helping organize this event, please call Dick Pye (see below). Dancing to traditional Finnish music will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Dance Hall, followed by dancing to The Royal Blackbirds from 8:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. with a break to attend the *kokko*, to be lit at 10:00 p.m. (Finn Camper Dennis Burck is a performer with the Blackbirds.) The kitchen will be open Saturday, from noon to 9:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Sign-up sheets for kitchen work hours are at the beach. Juhannus buttons for grounds admission are \$5 for adults; children 18 and under are free. We will also have a 50/50 and a raffle: tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Raffle prizes are, first, a propane outdoor fire column; second, an 18-piece party bullet set; third, a home tool kit. Raffle tickets are now on sale in the Clubroom, or see Mary Barie. Many hours of work are needed to make this event a success. Contact Dick Pye (248-926-6219) to schedule Juhannus work hours other than kitchen hours.

Scholarship Recipient: Marc Taipala



My university, Kettering, in Flint, is formally known as GMI. It is a STEM school, specializing in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. My major is chemical engineering. Kettering is different in its graduation requirements from most four-year universities. It requires not only acceptable advancement through students' course loads but also a thesis written on a topic within the major field of study as well as relevant cooperative experience equal to approximately one-half the total attendance time.

My hopes are to graduate from Kettering University, then either obtain a job working as a petrochemical process engineer or

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.

Camps for Sale

Camp 101, west side, \$2,300
Contact Ed Kangas:
906-883-3535 or
ewkangas@up.net

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

Association Camps 89, 129
See "Board Notes and Reminders"
on page 6 for details on how to
submit a bid.

obtain a graduate degree, the better to strengthen my search for a career.

This profile is the eighth, and final, entry in this series of articles highlighting Finn Camp Scholarship Recipients. The Scholarship Committee continues to seek new applicants. See “Board Notes and Reminders” at the end of this issue for application information.

Sattuma



Arto Rinne, Vladik Demin, Dmitri Demin Eila Rinne.
Saturday, July 6, at 7:00 p.m., Dance Hall

Sattuma, a family folk music group from Petrozavodsk, in the republic of Karelia in northwestern Russia, started performing in 2003. The band's neofolk style of traditional music and melodies from Karelia, Ingria and Finland has earned them a huge following in Finland, the United States, Russia, Sweden, Estonia, Germany and the Netherlands. Each member of the quartet is multitalented:

Arto Rinne is a vocalist and plays the bouzouki, accordion, ten-string kantele, two-row accordion and harmonica.

Vladik Demin plays the violin, flutes, the djembe and vocalizes.

Dmitri Demin performs on clarinet, flutes, the mankeri, bagpipe, the djembe, didgeridoo and musical saw.

Eila Rinne is a vocalist and plays the violin and jouhikko.

This will be Arto Rinne's fifth appearance at Finn Camp. His first two were with Myllärit in 2001 and 2002, his third and fourth were with the Karelian Folk Music Ensemble and Sattuma, both in 2005. Dmitri is no stranger to Finn Camp either, having performed with both Myllärit and Sattuma. And Vladik and Eila were only 12 and 15 when they had to be coaxed out of Sun Lake to get ready for their first appearance in the Clubroom.

Sattuma will be performing in the Finn Camp Dance Hall on Saturday, July 6, at 7:00 p.m. Advance buttons are \$12/adult and \$5/child, age 17 and under—at the door, buttons are \$15/adult and \$7/child, age 17 and under. For more information, contact Carol Melancon at FinnCulture@yahoo.com.

Summer Hours

The Clubroom and sauna are now observing summer hours. The Clubroom is open Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays from 7:00 p.m.

Sherry's Sweet and Savory Pasties

Beef: \$4 each; Pulla: \$4 per loaf
Call Sherry Kurin to place order:
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to closing. The sauna will now be open from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. The beach is open daily in season from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The sauna building is open on nonsauna nights to 7:00 p.m. The beach gates are scheduled to be open from dawn to dark during the season. Members wanting to fish after dark may apply to the board for a gate key.

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

Lasting Memorials: Sun Lake Brick Pavers



We're looking to add more engraved brick pavers to the walkway outside the sauna building at Sun Lake. The bricks are \$25.00 each, checks payable to D.F.C.S.C.A. The bricks can be engraved with either three or four lines of copy, with three recommended. The limitation on the number of characters per line is 18 to 21, with 18 being recommended. Order sheets can be obtained by emailing Karen Pype at kpype7184@gmail.com. The deadline for ordering additional bricks is July 15.

Camp Reservation Agent

Denise Niemasz is our new camp reservation agent. She is responsible for seeing that the appropriate fees are paid to the association when any member camp is used by a nonmember. It is the member's responsibility to notify the camp reservation agent when someone is using their camp. Denise can be contacted at Camps@finncamp.org. For the schedule applicable on member-owned camps, see Blue Book page 44, Rentals: Para. 205.4.1.1.

There's a Lot in Store for You!



Shop the Finn Camp Store, in the Clubroom, whatever the season! We have t-shirts, hats, hoodies, koozies, and Finnish CDs. For access to the store during off hours, call Patti Leppi, at 248-921-1432, or email her at pleppi@att.net.

BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

Camp inspections have been scheduled for Monday, June 3. Please make sure your leaves are raked up, the numbers are on your camp and all debris is cleaned up. Let's start off our camping season looking neat and tidy.

We would like to welcome new member Ryan Arbour. Ryan is the son of Patti Leppi.

We are seeking an interested party to serve on the blue-book committee. If interested please contact the board at board@finncamp.org.

The board will be sponsoring a breakfast at the *Ravintola* on July 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

For members who have suggestions, comments or board-related business, please send an email to board@finncamp.org. You may also contact Works Administrators Kevin Homola, Jim Santti or Denny Sennhenn at this email address.

The board is accepting bids for Camps 89 and 129, on the west side. If you would like to submit a bid, please write the amount you would like to bid, the number of the camp, and your name and contact number, and place it in an envelope to the attention of the board of directors. This can be left in the dropbox at the Clubroom or in the Boardroom.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Directors

Sunday, June 3, 7:00 p.m., no visitors. Camp inspections follow.

Future Planning Committee

Thursday, June 6, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom

Recreation Committee

Saturday, June 15, 8:30 p.m., Clubroom

Sisterhood Meeting and Happy Hour/Beach Gathering

June 15, 6:00 p.m., Sun Lake



Board President Dan Linick (*center, on offkey mandolin*) and a quartet of guitarists led the campfire singing on the Sunday evening of Memorial Day weekend at Loon Lake, a.k.a. Leppi's Landing.

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 returnable photograph, to newsletter_editor@finncamp.org. The committee is always seeking fun and interesting stories from members.

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