DETROIT FINNISH COOPERATIVE SUMMER CAMP ASSOCIATION



FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER

JULY 2014



Rain or shine, fishing goes on at the Fishing Derby.

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).

Summer Swim Program

Swim registration and evaluation will be July 7 at Sun Lake, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All prospective swimmers must be evaluated for class placement. The swim program will run from July 7 through August 2. Lessons will be Mondays through Thursdays with Fridays serving as rain-day makeups. August 2 will be the swim meet, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Please address any questions to Sally Evans at Sallyjsevans@gmail.com or 248-767-4472.

Cinco de Taco Wednesdays

In an effort to raise money for a new generator for the Clubroom, the Future Planning Committee will be serving up hard and/or soft tacos and nachos every Wednesday during July and August, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the *Kenttä*. Please join us for the fiesta.—Caren Boatman

The Return of Buffalo Bill, with Dr. Jo, Flower of the Prairie: Western Music for All Ages Some Finn Campers may remember Bill Boycott from the 1970s, when he and friends often played music in camp

CALENDAR

July

- 3—Future Planning Committee, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom
- 5—Variety Talent Show, 7:00 p.m., Dance Hall
- 8—Sisu Sisters, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 13—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon.
- 30—Performance by **Buffalo Bill and Dr. Jo,** 7:00 p.m., Dance Hall

August

- 1-3—Children's Weekend
- 8-10-Finn Fest
- 23—PasiCats performance

Clubroom summer hours: Wed., Fri., Sat., 7:00 p.m. to closing Sauna summer hours: Wed., Sat., Sun., 3:00–9:00 p.m. country around a campfire. Over the last 25 years, Buffalo Bill has been a full-time entertainer, harmonizing the good old western songs of long ago plus many original songs on the fiddle, banjo, mandolin and guitar, as well as being a world-class yodeler. He was also a member of the Grammy Award—



Buffalo Bill Boycott and Dr. Jo (Flower of the Prairie), winners of the 2011Western Music Association's Harmony Duo Award

winning New Christy Minstrels in 2005–2008. On Wednesday, July 30, at 7:00 p.m. in the Dance Hall, Buffalo Bill and Dr. Jo, both of Lander, Wyo., will present cowboy and western American folk music in the rich spirit of the Rocky Mountain West.

Dr. Jo performs on vocals, banjo, and guitar. She was a strolling minstrel for years with the Henry Ford Museum /Greenfield Village Players, where she met Bill. They have been performing and touring nationwide for the past eight years. This is a free performance, but donations would be appreciated. For more information, visit their website: buffalobillboycott.com, or go to Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/william.boycott.

—Sponsored by the Newsletter Committee

Talent Show

The variety talent show on July 5 will feature an open mike, and we will also have karaoke! Anyone who would like musical accompaniment is welcome to contact Steve Niemi (313-318-1265, or stevenniemi@me.com). A good time will be had by all! Join us in the Dance Hall at 7:00 p.m. This will be a fun fundraiser, sponsored by the Bar Committee.—Sherry Martin

Can You Finnish This?

The world's biggest coffee drinkers are (a) the Danes; (b) the Finns; (c) the Dutch; (d); the Swedes; (e) the Americans. *The answer is on the last page*.



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.

Free to Members, First Come, First Served: Cultured Stone, Paving Bricks

There is a crate of cultured stone outside the Clubroom on the far side of the woods from the dumpster—great for projects like a fireplace surround or to block openings under your camp.



The bricks are at the farmhouse.



More on the Finnish Music Scene

Finlandia University's Finnish Folk Music Camp scheduled for July 15–17 has had to be cancelled this year. But the Pasi Cats will be here at Finn Camp on Saturday, August 23, playing their traditional Finnish music and rock 'n' roll from the U.P. (See further details in the August newsletter.) And an all-girl choir (below) from Raahe, Finland, will be performing in a free concert at the Finnish Center Association on July 14 at 7:00 p.m. Since 1979 the group has toured to Norway, Sweden, Estonia, Britain, Hungary, Austria, New Zealand, Australia and Mexico. Their only previous U.S. engagement was in Arizona, so don't miss this event. For more information contact Yvonne Lockwood (517-522-4197).



Juhannus

Initial concerns about wet wood proved unfounded when Kokko Master Mike Honka produced a much-appreciated, well-rounded fire on Juhannus. Gorgeous weather contributed to a strong turnout, including guests such as Anni-Mari Koskelo, in the area from Oulu, Finland. The results of the Juhannus raffle were as follows: first prize, the Panama Jack bicycle, Gibby of the Voima Boys; second prize, the Tiki Torch, Jim Leppi; third prize, the Canopy Folding Chair, Karen Pype. Thank you to all who kept the kitchen and Clubroom and Dance Hall and beach area booming, and especially to Dick Pype for orchestrating this eagerly anticipated annual event once more.

Father's Day Breakfast

The Father's Day raffle prize,, the Oasis Island lounger, went to the Kevin Homola family. Thanks to all who came out and enjoyed the delicious breakfast, we appreciate your continued support!

"Art and About" Fundraiser

This fun-art painting workshop raised \$80 toward a new Clubroom generator, after all expenses. There were 22 people in attendance (see below). The next event, in the fall, will feature another landmark from Finn Camp, with an autumn twist to it. Thank you to all participants!—Kayla Jokinen, Future Planning Committee

Camps for Sale



Camp 103, West Side Charming cottage-style cabin with high-end materials: real stucco exterior, terra-cotta tile, Old World textured walls and ceiling. Undercabin storage conceals vard tools. larger patio items. Fully decorated/furnished: ceiling fan, vinyl windows, bedside sconces, trundle bed (sleeps 4), all patio furnishings, gas grill, mini-fridge, microwave, electric fireplace, bistro table, 5 storage dressers for dishes, cooking utensils, linens, bedding-everything you neediust pack your clothes and come out for the weekend. \$8,000 cash, \$10,000 rent-to-own or \$2,000 down with \$2,000 per for 4 years. For a tour or more information, call Crystal: 248-421-3975.

> Camp 137, West Side \$1,600 or best offer Call Chris Aho: 248-804-2886 Please: No calls from nonmembers



Men's Spring Scramble Golf Outing

The annual men's spring classic golf outing was held on Sunday, June 1, at the Riverbank Golf Course in South Lyon. The first-place winning foursome at 10 under par was Jeff Davis, Justin Davis, Tom Pyro and T. J. Tomasso (pictured) . Delle Aro won closest to the pin and Mike Worthington won longest drive. Thanks to Dave Niemi for organizing this event.



Condolences: Edith "Elaine" Jacobson, a.k.a. "Sipu"

Wixom Finn Camp subdivision resident Elaine Jacobson, 80, a longtime member of Finn Camp, died June 19. She survived her husband of 34 years, Donald (d. 2012). Among those who survive her are her son Vern "Skip" Soli, stepsons Bob (Anne) Jacobson and Mark (Jill) Jacobson, grand-daughter Crystal Soli, and brother Bud (Ruth) Huuki as well as sister-in-law Anita (Ronald) Schoenherr.

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. All you have to do is provide 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.

Sewing Lessons

Beginner to Intermediate. Clothing/Quilts and Crafts Contact Lori Aro for class times: 248-321-6828

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BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The mail-in ballot taken in conjunction with the April general membership meeting passed. This vote amended blue book rule number 102.1.10.5 to increase the amount of nonbudgeted items purchased not to exceed \$5,000 annually, with no single item to exceed \$2,500.

Dumpsters are for members' use only! Do not put in large or long items that may wedge or jam the dumpster when it is being tipped into the truck. No major dumping on festival weekends. No overfilling. NO furniture, appliances, propane tanks, wood, construction materials or other large items are to be left in, by or around the Clubroom dumpster. Large items can be placed at the roadside near the tractor garage on Tuesdays for Wednesday pickup. Association or camp construction materials can be placed in the dumpster by the pole barn. A motion detector camera has been installed to prevent unauthorized use of the dumpsters.

Members who have suggestions, comments or board-related business are asked to email board@finncamp.org.

Those looking for work to complete their work hours should email the Works Administrators at work@finncamp.org.

Smokers are advised to stand at least 20 feet outside the entrances of the sauna building, Clubroom and other facilities like the bath houses, in keeping with state law.

Beverly Jokinen Graphic Artist

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See portfolio: www.bcpreview.com.

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You Can Help

What have we been missing—for instance, information about new family members and new members. What else would you like to hear about?

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 in a brief phone interview?

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 last page).

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Directors

Sunday, July 13, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon.

Future Planning Committee

Thursday, July 3, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom.

Sisu Sisters

Tuesday, July 8, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom.

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Quiz Answer

The Dutch are the world's biggest coffee drinkers (2.414 cups per day on average), followed by the Finns (1.848), Sweden (1.357), Denmark (1.237), with Americans drinking on average only 0.931 cups per day to rank sixteenth. Source: *The Week* (June 20, 2014).

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