



A white-tail deer in the Finn Camp woods. Two fawns are not visible here.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Children's Weekend, August 7–9

The swim meet is Friday, August 8, at 1:00 p.m. at Sun Lake. There will be dinner at the *Kenttä* at 6:00 p.m.

Then join the youth of Finn Camp on Saturday evening for this year's summer play, "The Pahala People." That will be performed on August 8 at 8:00 p.m. in the Dance Hall. We are looking forward to entertaining you with tales of a very special place, filled with very special people!

39th Annual Finn Fest—August 14, 15 and 16

It's time to talk FESTIVAL!! Mark your calendars and come out to support this major fundraising event. Get some work hours in, visit with fellow members and friends, and cheer on our Finn Camp Voima softball team!

Friday kicks off the festival weekend with the kitchen and beer truck opening at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Home Run Derby beginning about 6:30 p.m. Come see the big hitters knock 'em into the woods! We will continue in to the evening with music and dancing in the Clubroom!

Saturday the kitchen will open for breakfast at 8:00 a.m., with food available all day in the *Ravintola* and food tent. The softball tournament also begins at 8:00 a.m. with games on the Finn Camp's George Aho Memorial Field and the Gilbert Willis Park fields. Flagraising ceremonies will be at 11:00 a.m. There will be music and entertainment from the Dance Hall porch plus 50/50 raffles, the pitching booth, horseshoes and other games, face painting, and the sale of Finn Camp and Finn Fest merchandise throughout the day.

CALENDAR

August

6—Future Planning meeting, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom

7–9: **Children's Weekend**, including swim meet Fri. at 1:00 p.m. and play Sat., 8:00 p.m., Dance Hall

12—Board meeting, 7:00 p.m., no visitors

14—Sisu Sisters meeting, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom

14–16: **Finn Fest**

22—Sisu Sisters Breakfast, and Flotilla, 1:00–5:00 p.m.

22—Yoopers bus trip, Comerica Park, Detroit Tigers game

30—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon

September

4—Vellamo performance, 7:30 p.m., Dance Hall

12—Campers' Picnic, 7:00 p.m.

No Sisu Sisters meeting this month

20—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon

Other:

Taco Wednesdays: 6:00–8:00 p.m., *Kenttä*
Clubroom summer hours: Wed., Fri., Sat., 7:00 p.m. to closing
Sauna summer hours: Wed., Sat., Sun., 3:00–9:00 p.m.

Save some energy for the dance floor on Saturday night as our DJ will be playing favorites in the Dance Hall.

Sunday, FUNday, we will do it all over again! The kitchen will open for breakfast at 8:00 a.m. with food available all day. Softball will continue on all three fields with the championship game on our "A" Field in the late afternoon/early evening, followed immediately by trophy presentation. Music, raffles, horseshoes, and other activities will continue as well.

Many members are needed to work in all areas throughout the weekend, especially in the security and kitchen areas. As a member of a *cooperative association*, please participate by giving a few hours of your time to pitch in and help make our festival successful! Every hour counts, and no task is too small—**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Work hours sign-up sheets are posted at Sun Lake Beach, or contact Robyn directly for other available options for hours.**

For further information or questions, contact **Robyn Jokinen, Finn Fest Chairman**, by email at rbjokinen@gmail.com or by cell phone at 810-287-4591.

How Does Your Garden Grow?



The Finn Camp T-shirt Summer Quilt (*above*) is being raffled off after ticket sales end on Sunday, August 16, at 5:00 p.m. during Finn Fest weekend to benefit the Memorial Garden. See the quilt in the Clubroom store after August 1. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5. Contact me at 248-321-6828 for details. Thanks to all who have already bought tickets, whose proceeds will all go to purchase plants for the Memorial Garden. There is still plenty of room there, so feel free to add your plant.—Lori Aro

Sisu Sisters Gourmet Raffle Dinner, Breakfast and Flotilla

Win an elegant Gourmet Raffle Dinner for eight—tickets still on sale! Dinner at the Covered Bridge? At Loon Lake? At the Sun Lake beach? A seven-course meal won by one lucky Finn Camper will include happy hour, an appetizer, soup, salad, an intermezzo, the main entrée, chocolate strawberries, dessert and coffee! The drawing will be held Saturday, August 22, during our first-ever Sisu Sisters Gourmet Breakfast and Flotilla. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. You need not be present to win, and you have one year to redeem your

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prize. See the flyers around camp country for more info. Proceeds are to benefit the DFCSCA butterfly garden, for *Ravintola* screen replacement and other great garden projects.

Also mark your calendars for our Gourmet Breakfast August 22 from 9:00 to 12:00! We will be serving a full menu: Apple Pie French Toast, a Breakfast Bake, Finnish *Pannukakku*, Major Fried Egg Sandwiches, and coffee or orange juice—with carry-out *and* delivery to camps, for only \$1 extra. Then come join in for a sun-filled Flotilla Day at the beach where we latch together our rafts and floaties, play games, win prizes and enjoy fresh grilled corn, Caesar salad and Potluck, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Yooper Night Trip

Anyone who is going to Yooper Night August 22 at Comerica Park, please check your email or Facebook for important information about the trip.

Vellamo Performance



Joni Tiala and Pia Leinonen are Vellamo. Vellamo combines the rich tradition of Finnish folksong with an appealing “retro” sensibility recalling the likes of Judy Collins or Richard and Mimi Fariña, creating an exotic and magical acoustic experience. Pia and Joni have even been known to sneak in a “Vellamo-ized” Jethro Tull song now and then just to shake things up! A visit to the world of Vellamo is an enchanting, educational and unforgettable musical journey. Come enjoy them on Friday, September 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the Dance Hall. Admission at the door is only \$5, and children under 18 are free.—Sponsored by the Cultural and Bar Committees

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New Picnic Table



Mike Honka made and donated this new table, at the *Kenttä*.

More Lore: Finns Increasingly Fluent in English

Finns are currently ranked fourth most fluent worldwide when it comes to speaking English as a second language, according to the major education company Education First of Switzerland. But they are poised to move up in the scale. In the fall of 2016, Finnish students will begin studying English in the second grade rather than the third, as reported by Markku Ketola in the June *Finnish American Reporter*. And that's not all. Also in autumn 2016, Finland will introduce computer programming, or coding, as part of the primary curriculum. A number of schools already offer coding courses, to 10- and 12-year-olds.

Results of Spaghetti Dinner July 18: Finns, 1; Italians, 0



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BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The board would like to welcome new members Mike and Sue Niemasz.

Effective immediately, there is to be no smoking in the outdoor sunrooms at the sauna building. Signs will be posted soon.

The popular Friday Night Grill has been run till now by Jim Santti and Dick Pype, but this is their last year with the grill. We are looking for someone to step up and continue this great Friday night tradition that so many have come to enjoy. Please contact Jim or Dick if interested.

Electrician needed—There is some electrical work the board is seeking help with. Please contact one of the Works Administrators if you have electrical skills. This is a great way to work off your work hours!

The Camp Rental Agent is Cindi Maddick. Please contact Cindi at 248-303-7337 if you are renting out or loaning your camp to a nonmember. Nonmembers whose stays exceed three consecutive days and two consecutive nights in a 30-day period without a member present or exceed 10 days and 9 nights in a 30-day period with a member present must pay a rental fee of \$50 per week.

The Camp Social Director is Joni Sennhenn. Please contact her at 248-882-4626 if you would like to make a reservation for the beach and sauna area, the *Kenttä*, or the Dance Hall or Clubroom.

Members with suggestions, comments or board-related business are asked to e-mail board@finncamp.org. Those looking to add to their work hours should email the Works Administrators at work@finncamp.org. General questions may be answered by visiting www.finncamp.org.

The board would like to remind members of Blue Book Rule 203.1.3 concerning pets:

- A. Animals are not permitted on the grounds unless properly leashed.
- B. Animals that are under control may be unleashed in designated areas (Loon Lake beach, athletic field and wooded areas).
- C. Animals are not allowed in public eating areas.
- D. Members are responsible for cleaning up after their own pet(s).
- E. Dogs shall not create a nuisance by barking or baying.
- F. The Board of Directors may fine a member for their animal's misbehavior after receiving two written complaints on separate occasions from different members. (See 205.3.7.) Members will be notified in writing of the first written complaint.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Directors

Wednesday, August 12, 7:00 p.m., no visitors

Sunday, August 30, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon

Future Planning Committee

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

Sisu Sisters

Friday, August 14, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom

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