



*New wooden bench in the Butterfly Garden – Sisu Sisters project*

## 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 248-882-4626*

## 41st Annual Finn Fest—August 11, 12, and 13, 2017

It's **FESTIVAL time!** Mark your calendars and plan to support this major fundraising event. What a great time to work some of your hours, catch up with other members and friends and to cheer on our own Finn Camp Voima team in the softball tournament!

**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. Opening ceremonies will be at 11:00 a.m. There will be music and entertainment from the Dance Hall porch plus 50/50 raffles, prize raffles sponsored by the

## CALENDAR

### August

- 3 — Future Planning meeting, 7:30 p.m. Boardroom
- 5-6 — **Children's Weekend**
- 9 — Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., Boardroom, no visitors
- 11-13 — **Finn Fest**
- 19 — Yooper Day, Tigers vs Dodgers
- 27 — Board Meeting, 10:00 a.m., Visitors at 12:00 noon

### September

- 2 — **DFCSCA Annual Golf Tournament**
- 7 — Future Planning meeting, 7:30 p.m. Boardroom

**Clubroom:** Open Wednesday, Fridays and Saturdays, 7:00 p.m. to close.

### Sauna Hours:

Wed - 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sat - 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sun - 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

The sauna is also open on Holidays during the summer months

**All newsletter material is due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the previous month.**

### TACO WEDNESDAYS



Taco Wednesday is every Wednesday in August leading up to Finn Fest at the Kenntta from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For only \$5 a plate you may have a choice of hard, soft tacos, or nachos (mix & match) - Sponsored by the Future Planning Committee

Scholarship Committee, kid's activities are sponsored by the Recreation Committee, 'Round Robin' horseshoes tournament and other games for all ages. The sale of Finn Camp and Finn Fest merchandise is ongoing throughout the day. We will then cut loose on the dancefloor with our DJ playing all our 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!! PLEASE – Come out to support your Finn Camp and our 41<sup>th</sup> Annual Finn Fest!!! **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](mailto:rbjokinen@gmail.com) or by cell phone at 810-287-4591.

### **Children's Weekend & Recreation Committee Information**

Sign-up sheets for Children's Weekend and Finn Fest concession stand are down at Sun Lake.

**August 2** 7:30 p.m. Campfire at Leppi's Landing. For newer members, this is on the west side Camp Country at Loon Lake just in front the bathrooms. Come out to roast some marshmallows, have some S'mores and play some games.

**August 1–4** Prep work and assembly for Saturday's Kentta menu of casseroles and lasagna. In an effort to make working in the kitchen a little easier, we will be prepping the breakfast and dinner menus the week prior in the Kentta. Dates and times TBD shortly, but sign-up for this is on the Children's Weekend sign-up sheet. If you are interested in helping out and won't make it out to the lake, please contact Kris, Robyn or Melissa. This also means that if you sign-up to work the kitchen on that Saturday, workers will only need to bake and serve the casseroles and accompanying sides.

### **Finn Camp Scholarship**

Calling all Finn Camp Scholarship Applicants. The deadline for applying is fast approaching, the cut-off this year is September 16, 2017. If you are a first time applicant you are required to fill out the scholarship application. Following the completion of your first year students a copy of your transcripts are required. GPA requirements are 3.0 and above. We would also like a photo of your choosing and an update on your past year's activity and/or future plans to share with our fellow members. You can forward your information or questions to: [millie@webcoindustrial.com](mailto:millie@webcoindustrial.com). Thank you,  
DFCSCA Scholarship Committee  
Marie Barie,  
Millie Packard

### **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.) The deadline is the 15th of each month.

**August 4** Children's Play Dress Rehearsal and Cast Party

**August 5 – 6** Children's Weekend

**Saturday August 5** Kentta will be open for breakfast from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. (2) 3-hour shifts. French toast casserole and egg bake casserole, \$5.00

1:00 p.m. Swim Meet.

Kentta will be open for dinner from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Lasagna will be served (choice of regular or vegetable) with garlic bread and salad bar, \$10.00 and \$5.00 for 12 under.

8:00 p.m. Children's Play at the dance hall.

Kentta will be open for dessert. Please have your child(ren) donate a baked good(s) which will be sold after the play.

**Sunday August 6** Kentta will be open for breakfast from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. (2) 3-hour shifts. Omelets, Eggs, and Pancakes for \$5.00 Children's track meet 12:00 noon, Ravintola. Added events include sack race, jart toss and obstacle course.

**August 9** Movie Night. 7:30pm. Possibly the Ravintola, or in the dancehall pending weather or in the clubroom if it's too hot. Movie to be determined.

**August 12-13** Finn Fest. Concession stand will be open for those times that at least (1) person signs up for a shift. 2 hour shifts starting each day at 10:00 a.m. Tickets only, so children can also work the stand with supervision.

**August 20** 9:30am to 3:00 p.m. Canoe trip. Must sign up by July 31. It's the end of the season canoe trip for members and member's children 10 and older. 2-1/2 hour round-trip to Proud Lake waterfall dam followed by pizza and pop at Heavner Canoe Rental's picnic area (This is about half way between Wixom and Milford). \$25.00 per person. Children and members have the opportunity to earn this trip by working a minimum of 12 hours at a Recreation committee event. There are additional flyers at Sun Lake with more information. This trip needs a minimum of 10 people. If there are not 10 people signed up by July 31 the trip may be cancelled and a replacement event will take place.

**Beverly Jokinen  
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248-303-7337

The Recreation committee is also looking for someone handy to repair, stain and paint the playground equipment at Loon Lake, the Clubroom and Sun Lake. If you are interested please contact a Committee member. Should we not have any volunteers by August 31 we shall pursue alternate solutions. Thanks everyone!

Kris Tury (248-854-1518; kristenrae@hotmail.com)  
Robyn Jokinen (810-287-5491; rbjokinen@gmail.com)  
Melissa Baker (734-419-3501; mlbaker123@yahoo.com)

### Butterfly Garden



As you probably have seen by now, the Butterfly Garden has evolved. Making a cozy place to sit was next on the list for the Garden. (See cover page phot) With all the trees that were recently cut down on Finn Camp property, the opportunity arose to make something out of nothing. Tammie King had mentioned to Brian and Kristy Nedrow how she wished to make a log bench. Without any hesitation, Brian replied, "I can do that. My neighbor has one and I've always wanted to try to make one." A couple months later he showed up with a forklift, loaded a log onto a truck and took it to his workshop. Six months later the beautiful bench was complete and ready for installation in the Butterfly Garden. With the help of Josh Homola and Ethan Paukovitz, dirt was removed from the hill. Ralph and Gage Heikkinen designed the retaining wall so the bench could nestle into the hill. If you look closely, you will see that Brian and Kristy carved, sanded and filled with pea gravel certain spots on the bench so decorative black ants could be embedded into it. The bench was sealed with 2-part epoxy and several coats of marine varnish. Brian and Ralph worked together to install the bench with a fork lift and a boom with great precision so as to not damage the surrounding buildings. It truly was an amazing teamwork effort. We hope everyone enjoys sitting and taking in the beauty of the Butterfly Garden.

### Lakes Area Bait Shop

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### Affinity Promotions

Do you have an upcoming family reunion that you need t-shirts or little gifts? Are you a business that has a trade show coming up and you need booth giveaways or a unique item to hand out to prospective clients? We can help with all of the above and more. Give me a call at 248-640-0481 or visit my website and let me help you with your marketing needs. Denise Niemasz

We still have a bit of work to do such as removing the remainder of the grass on the hill and replacing it with stepping stones and plants. That hill will never need to be mowed again. We are selling raffle tickets again to replace the funds spent on this project as well as our next goal of replacing the roof on the Ravintola. We truly appreciate everyone's support with this project and we look forward to good things to come! Thank you! - *The Sisu Sisters*.

### Traveling Sauna



## Celebrate Finland's Centennial

### Sisu - Traveling Sauna

### Finn Fest - August 11, 12 & 13

Reserve your shift in the traveling sauna at [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080F4AAEAB2DABF49-traveling8](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080F4AAEAB2DABF49-traveling8). The price is \$40 per 45-minute shift regardless of the number of people in your group. (The sauna accommodates up to six people at a time.) Sauna-goers are required to wear a swimsuit and shower shoes and to bring two towels--one for sitting on.

### Finnglish Trivia (from Bull Fight in the Sauna)

"Juu kiipen looken inta  
perkelator siis never  
ko Blupp! Blupp!"

*Answer: A watched pot never boils*

### DFCSCA Annual Golf Tournament

Finn Camp's Annual Labor Day Open Invitational Golf Tournament at Hickory Hill Golf Course is on Saturday, not Sunday this year on September 2. It will be a scrambles tournament. 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: 248-624-4568.

### Detroit Tigers Yoooper Day At Comerica Park



**Saturday, August 19, 4:05 pm**

**Tigers vs Los Angeles Dodgers**

**\$56/person**

(includes game ticket, transportation to/from  
Comerica Park and Yoooper Tiger hat)

Contact Carol Melancon at [FinnCulture@yahoo.com](mailto:FinnCulture@yahoo.com)  
or 734.261.3889. Include your contact info & no. of  
tickets. Bus leaves at 2pm from clubroom parking lot.

### **Marimekko available in America**

Like Marimekko brand items, but don't like the daunting prices? You might be surprised to learn that Target teamed with Marimekko last year. Though the venture fizzled out, many items such as swim wear, children's play tents, tablecloths, dresses and shirts can still be bought on eBay for a fraction of the brand price. Take a look and you might find your new favorite Finnish outfit.

--Naomi Petäinen

### **Helsinki Festival**



Traveling to Finland in August? Check out the Helsinki festival. The city of Helsinki started it in 1968 to showcase cultures from around the world and provide all a chance to enjoy art. By far the largest multi-art festival in Finland, it begins mid August and continues for three weeks. Last year, 200,000 visitors attended. The festival features hundreds of performances including dance, theater, classical, modern and world music, children's performances, circus events, movies, and more. A large tent called the Huvila Festival tent is built every year to feature the biggest concerts. Plays are held at the Korjaamo Culture factory in Töölö, Helsinki. One of the main attractions, is the Taiteiden yö (Night of the Arts), when the entire city opens for anyone to perform. Parks and streets of Helsinki come alive with music, dance and theater. Onlookers have the privilege of partying all night long. If you're in the area, it is definitely a must see.

--Naomi Petäinen

### **Cords of Firewood for Sale**

\$55 for members, \$65 nonmembers.

Delivery extra. For security reasons contact Mike Honka at 248-860-5109 to schedule loading and pick up. Please do not help yourself to the firewood.

### **Finn Camp Store**



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 [Store@finncamp.org](mailto:Store@finncamp.org).

## Kaleva



*Kiitos* to Hilikka Ketola of the Knights and Ladies of the Kaleva and Jim Kurtti of the Finnish American Heritage Center in Hancock for sharing the wonderful Kalevala exhibit during Juhannus. In February, I was invited to attend the 100-year anniversary of the Kaleva Knights Auran Maja #29 and Ladies Aurattaren Tupa #49. The Kalevala exhibit, which had been shipped from the Heritage Center, was prominently displayed. While I was looking at the exhibit, Hilikka approached me and offered the exhibit for Finn Camp members to enjoy, at no cost to Finn Camp (it cost \$600 to ship it from and back to the Heritage Center.) On Juhannus morning, Hilikka and husband, Markku, transported the exhibit to the Finn Camp and then assembled and disassembled it. The exhibit, which depicted the creation of Finland's national epic, The Kalevala, was the perfect way to kick off the annual midsummer celebration and Finland's 100 years of independence! - Carol Melancon

## BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The Board would like to welcome new (returning) member Rebecca McDonald (Wendela).

Trash rules: Dumpsters are for members use only! Do not put in large or long items that may wedge or jam the dumpster when being tipped into the truck. No major dumping on festival weekends. No overfilling. No furniture, propane tanks, wood, construction materials or other large items are to be left in, by or around the dumpster. Large items can be placed at roadside near the tractor garage on Tuesdays for Wednesday pickup. Finn Camp or member construction materials can be placed in the dumpster by the pole barn.

Looking to express yourself creatively? Want to talk about something Finnish? Have writing or technical skills? Come try out the Newsletter and Web Site committee.

We are welcoming any Finn Camp member to become a part of our team.

For details contact Erick Leskinen,  
248-387-9409

[erick\\_leskinen@finncamp.org](mailto:erick_leskinen@finncamp.org)  
or Brian Peltto 734-658-8804  
[bpelto@ohiogratings.com](mailto:bpelto@ohiogratings.com)

The Board is accepting sealed bids for the old wood chipper. All bids accepted will be opened at the August board meeting.

The camp reservation agent is Deidra Larsen. Please contact Deidra at 248-761-2425 if you are renting or loaning out your camp to a nonmember. Nonmembers whose stay exceeds three consecutive days and two consecutive nights in a 30 day period without a member present, or exceeds 10 days and 9 nights in a 30 day period with a member present must pay a rental fee of \$50 a week.

Parking can be an issue in Camp Country. Please be courteous to other members and have guests park in designated areas. On the west side guests can park down by the restrooms and on the east side guests can park at the club room and walk over.

At the sauna building do not park along side of the building adjacent to the outdoor men's changing area as this is a fire lane. In case of an incident an emergency vehicle will need to have access to this area.

If you have an address or phone number change please email us at [bookkeeper@finncamp.org](mailto:bookkeeper@finncamp.org). The Finn Camp membership form can be found at [www.finncamp.org](http://www.finncamp.org) at the top, right corner of page 1.

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*, Dance Hall or Clubroom. Note: There is no rental fee for committee sponsored events. You will need to go through the social director however to ensure the venue is available.

Members with suggestions, comments or board-related business are asked to e-mail [board@finncamp.org](mailto:board@finncamp.org). General questions may be answered by visiting [www.finncamp.org](http://www.finncamp.org).

## **BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

### **Board of Directors**

Wednesday, August 9, 6:00 p.m., no visitors

Sunday, August 27, 10:00 a.m., visitors at 12:00 noon

### **Future Planning Committee**

Thursday, August 3, 7:30 p.m. a.m. Boardroom

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