DETROIT FINNISH COOPERATIVE SUMMER CAMP ASSOCIATION



FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER

JULY 2018



Keith Maddick proudly displays a big bass caught during the Annual Fishing Derby

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: Not all events are listed on this and other DFCSCA calendars. If you are planning an event check availability of the specific facility on a certain date, please call 248-882-4626

Bar Committee News

The Bar Committee is hosting a Decades of Rock n' Roll party in the dance hall on Saturday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. DJ Jamie will be spinning the Rock hits from the 60's to the 2000's. Bar committee raffle, 1st prize four man raft, 2nd place sauna card, 3rd place is drink tickets. Drawing will be held at the party.

2018 Edwin Elkhill Scholarship Raffle, Breakfast, and Dedication

On Saturday, July 14 please join us under the Ravintola for breakfast from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. A dedication for Edwin Elkhill will follow at 2:00 p.m. at Sun Lake for his years of friendship and his generous donation to Finn Camp that we all will be grateful for throughout the years! Kittos Edwin! Bring your swim suit and swim a lap in honor of our friend Edwin. Raffle tickets on sale now! Drawing will also be on Saturday, July 14. Need not be present to win. All proceeds go to the E.E. Scholarship. See Mary Barie, Kim Zigler, Millie Packard. Raffle Prizes:1st Place- Detroit Tiger Ticket Package (\$150 value), 2nd Place- Garden Wind Spinner w/Solar Light (\$70 value), 3rd Place- \$25 Fandango Gift Card

CALENDAR

July

- 7—Decades of Rock N' Roll Party, dance hall, 7:00 p.m.
- 18—Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., no visitors
- 21—Sisu Sisters Breakfast and Flotilla
- 22—Board Sponsored Breakfast, Kentta
- 28—Yooper Day, Tigers vs Indians
- 29—Board Meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at 12:00 noon

August

3,4,5—Children's Weekend 10,11,12—Finn Fest

Friday Night Grill: Open on game nights, 6:00 p.m.

Clubroom: Open Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 7:00 p.m. to close

Sauna Hours:

Wednesday - 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Saturday - 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday - 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The sauna is open on Holidays during the summer months.

All newsletter material is due on the 15th of the previous month.

TACO WEDNESDAYS



Taco Wednesdays starts on June 20 at the Kentta from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For only \$5.00 a plate you may have a choice of hard, soft tacos, or nachos (mix & match).

- Sponsored by the Future Planning Committee

Annual FINN FEST—August 10, 11 and 12

Preparations are under way for the annual festival, and we will need your help. The festivities will begin on Friday evening and will continue throughout the weekend with plenty of food and beverages, music, entertainment, raffles, horseshoes, games, kids' activities and of course the softball tournament! This is the major fundraising event of the year, and it requires member participation. This is the perfect time to get in some work hours and support Finn Camp. Workers are needed in all areas throughout the weekend, and every hour counts no matter the size of the task. Get together with family and friends and work together in the kitchen or under the tent. Please give a couple hours of your time and pitch in to help make the festival a success! For more information or for any questions, suggestions or new ideas please contact Robyn Jokinen, Finn Fest Chairperson by email at rbjokinen@gmail.com

Spring Scramble Golf Outing Results

The annual men's spring classic golf outing was held on Sunday, June 3. The first place foursome with the lowest score at eleven under par was Justin Rice, Joel Catto, Matt Kujala and Rob Pisha. Thanks to Chairperson Dave Niemi for organizing this event.

Falling for Folklore

July brings campfires and 's'mores and smoke blowing its hazy breath into the scrunched faces of frightened children. While Americans may share ghost stories, Finlanders speak of folklorish beasts. Some lurk in the deepest trenches of the sea or in the darkest thickets of the forest like the Peikko. Mosttimes huge and other-times tiny, this ugly troll is slow and very stupid. Blending into trees or rocks or even cliffs, it may suddenly appear upon approach, kidnap children who stray too far from home and drill holes in their teeth. Sound creepy? Let's explore another equally creepy beast, Näkki. An alluring and friendly siren, she reveals her true scaly and hairy self once she lures children beneath bridges or into murky pools where she resides; where she intends to kill them same as a Hiisi; a werewolfish goblin. Looming inside caves or gorges, a Hiisi may attack unwary travelers or steal objects from nearby cottages. Each of them — Peikko, Näkki and Hiisi seem relatively harmless compared to an Iku-Turso; a gigantic fanged octopus with eight suckered legs. This evil beast is seriously scary, a lochness monster of sorts. It's said to live in the Baltic Sea and to sprout dragon wings once it spots its prey. One thing is certain, no one wants to meet these fierce beasts at the campfire or anywhere else. ~Naomi Petäinen

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.

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

www.AffinityPromos.net

Recreation Committee News

July 7 – 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Tie-Dye (Kentta) August 4 – 5 Children's Weekend

Thanks so much for everyone that came out for not-so-perfect day to clean out Sun Lake and dine on some oh-so-perfect food! Thanks to fry maser Dave Grogan and grill master Chuck Rudzski. Thank you Don Jackson, Jon Foss, Michelle Foss, Keith Maddick, Dan Johnson, Stephanie Hovey and Larry Gooden for being available at will to help out with whatever needed to be done.

We are still working on finalizing our Swim Instructor for this year's lessons; we had to extend beyond the members this year to find one. This season, it is looking like lessons will not begin until 2pm, which makes it probable that the youngest swimmers will start first (not set in stone, but a possibility). Registration and testing for lessons are tentatively scheduled for Thursday, July 5th starting at 2pm. Anyone that cannot make it on the 5th can be registered/assessed for class placement prior to lessons on July 9th. Rates have been increased for members from last year:

Member Rates - \$50.00 – one child (hey, that's only a little over \$3/class!!), \$65.00 – two children, \$75.00 – three children. Please inquire if you have four or more children interested in lessons.

Non-Member Rates: \$75.00 – one child, \$130.00 – two children, \$180.00 – three children, \$200.00 – four children.

Please note that Non-Member's are responsible to pay for beach/sauna fees should they stay beyond the duration of the swimming lessons.

How this works: Parent will complete and sign the registration form and provide payment (cash or check only). The Instructor will test the kid's current swim abilities (this means, please bring the kids their swimsuits) and place them into swim groups. He will then establish times for each group that will begin the following Monday. Lessons for each group will be at the same time, Monday through Thursday with Fridays being reserved for a make-up day if earlier lessons were cancelled due to weather. The Instructor will put together various

relays and activities for each group to perform at the Swim Meet on Aug. 4th. Following the Meet, a greased-up watermelon is thrown into the lake for the kids to fetch and return to land and ribbons are handed out.

Weekly Activities

We are EXCITED to start our weekly kid events on Saturday July 7 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for some fun Tie Dying! We will provide the dye, please provide your child with a plain white T-shirt, pillowcase, cinch sack, tote bag, towel....anything white that he or she can dye!! We will plan on playing some sort of ball tag, kick ball...something afterwards! Hope to see you all there!!

Children's Weekend

Still looking for people to take on the Children's Play scheduled for Saturday, August 4th at 8pm. Practices are typically held in the evenings at the dancehall.

Saturday August 4:

Swim Meet at 1pm Kentta open from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Children's Play at 8:00 p.m. in the dancehall Children's bakesale after the play in the Kentta.

Sunday August 5:

Kentta open from 8:00 a.m. – 12pm. Children's Track Meet at 12:00 noon on Clubroom grounds.

Keep a look out for further information as it becomes available.

Piano duet practice sessions on Sundays in July in the dancehall. Looking for anyone who is between the ages of 8 to 90 years old who has taken some piano lessons and knows how to read sheet music. We will be taking turns playing piano duets using some very easy, easy or intermediate piano duet sheet music that was written for 1 piano, 4 hands. We will meet for practice on Sundays, July 1st and July 8th from 1pm to 3pm in the dancehall. If there is enough interest then a couple more Sundays could be added later. For further information or questions contact Russ Matero, russ.matero@gmail.com or by cell phone at 248-980-9542.

Note for members and children who are not involved in lessons: Please be reminded that swimming and/or traffic interfering with the lessons should be avoided. Traffic through the shallow to get to shore should be minimal while the younger kids are having their lessons; and while the older kids are at the platform, the platform on the opposite side of the dock should be used for ingress and egress into/from the lake if not using the ladders at the end of the dock. Parents, please ensure your kiddos are reminded of this consideration. Once lesson times are set, they will be posted on the sauna building.

It is our responsibility to safeguard not only our individual children/grandchildren, but everyone using the facilities. Please don't hesitate to remind them of the rules (i.e. no running on the dock) as well as just plain gross and unsafe activities like spitting off of the tower onto the dock below. Thank you!

Friday Night Grill Need Work Hours? Friday Night Grill needs help from 5:30 pm to approximately 9 PM through the end of August . We need help with setting out food, cashiering, and clean-up. These tasks are perfect for teens or college students needing hours, as well as adult members. If you are interested in being a Grillmaster, please stop by during a grill to learn about the grill set-up. Come enjoy some softball and community fun. Contact obrien1988@gmail.com, 734-994-4401 (Bob) 734- 646-3379 (Mattie) to set up hours.

Voima Boys Fans! Show your support on game days by purchasing a Team "VOIMA" logo shirt. A group order for fan shirts has been set up and will be open until July 6. There are two styles, a youth/women's pink raglan baseball shirt, and a youth/adult standard crew neck in grey matching the current team shirts. There may be a slight variation in price (lower) if we have more orders than "expected" when setting up the Group order. If you would like your player's number or your camp number added, please contact Mattie. Shirts will be delivered to the games.

obrien1988@gmail.com 734-646-3379

Pink Raglan Order Form \$33.42

each: https://www.customink.com/g/ptb0-00bf-ftxv

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Juhannus 2018 was a great success!

Thank you to everyone who came out and who helped make this year great! The weather held out and the kokko was hot! The horseshoe tournament champions this year were Mike Barie and Brian Morris. Furthest throw for the boot toss was Steve Karanen (sorry if I spelt that wrong) at 117.5 feet - the longest throw since we started the boot toss competition three years ago! Can't wait till next year! On a side note - This event is a fundraiser and takes planning, costs money, and requires many people to make it happen. Fundraising from this event and others allows for our membership dues to remain low and for us to enjoy and keep Finn Camp great. It was disappointing this year to find that many members enjoy this event and bring guests but refuse to pay the minimal button fee. I hope next year that members come prepared and inform their guests there is fee or pay it for them. Please cooperate with our cooperative's functions. Kittos! – Amber Martin

Labor Day Golf Tournament.

Finn Camp's Annual Labor Day Open Invitational Golf Tournament at Hickory Hill Golf Course is on Sunday, September 2. This is a scrambles tournament. Tee times are from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. First come, first served. There will be nominal entry fees plus greens fees and optional cart rental. This event is open to all members. See or call Mary or Rob Johnson for more details and to sign up. 248-624-4568.

Finnish Sweets

If you enjoy a sugary snack, you might enjoy Finnish sweets. Try a Marianne, a peppermint candy with chocolate centers or a delicious Fazer Milk bar, a toffee Dumle or a hazel-nutty Geisha — a little chocolate nugget similar to those yummy Ferrero Rocher balls. My personal favorite though, Salmiakki, requires an adventurous eater. With its salted licorice bite and its bitter exterior, it can cause a taster to simultaneously cringe and smile. Most Finnish bakeries sell these sweet treats along with many other common pastries such as raspberry filled Alexanders and cardamon spiced Pulla. Go buy a few and pop them in your mouth.

~Naomi Petäinen

Sisu Sister's Corner

We had a very successful Gypsy Fair and Bake Sale! We had 23 vendors rent tables and sell their wares. Even though the weather did not fully cooperate, all the vendors said they were pleased with the turn out. Thank you to the Recreation Committee for manning the grill and offering a delicious lunch! The Butterfly Garden is growing by leaps and bounds. There have been several butterfly sightings. Thank you for all the wonderful compliments on the Butterfly Garden progress! We truly appreciate it. Please stop and sit a spell and enjoy the surroundings. The Giving Herb Garden is starting to show some growth as well. Please feel free to pluck a few herbs for your next meal.

Please help with our raffle ticket sales. It helps keep everything growing and you might just win an awesome prize!

Sisu Sister's 2018 Raffle

We're kicking the prizes up a notch this year! 1st prize is a delicious dinner for eight at Loon Lake PLUS an overnight stay for two in a Sisu Sister's camp. 2nd prize is a two night stay at the historic Nahma Inn in the Upper Peninsula. 3rd prize is a \$100 La Vida Massage and Spa gift certificate. See a Sisu Sister to purchase your tickets. \$5.00 each or a book of 5 for \$20.00.

Sisu Sister's Breakfast and Flotilla

Saturday, July 21

9:00 am – 12:00 noon: Breakfast (new

menu to come)

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Flotilla at Sun Lake.

ALL are welcome to join in.

Condolences



Guy Lewis Swanton

Guy Lewis Swanson age 64 of Warren MI passed away June 8. Beloved husband of Debbie. Father of Andrea, Jeannie, Guy Jr, Becky Olszewski, and Sarah Mielke. Loving Grandfather of Alexis, Andrew, Ava, Kamryn and Landon. Brother of Florence Bass, Kemmy Shaheen (Dennis), Grant (Kathy), stepmother, Judy Swanson Predeceased by brother Gary, sister Lori and parents, Guy and Flo Swanson. He was retired from Center Line Public Schools after 33 years of dedicated service. Lifetime member of Finn Camp. Guy was loved by many people and will be missed dearly. Come Celebrate Guy Swanson's Life at the Finn Camp's clubroom Sunday June 15, 1:00 to 6:00 p.m., potluck and cash bar. Our condolences to Guy's family and friends.

From the Mechanical Committee:

The Mechanical Committee is implementing an Equipment Sign In/Out form located at the garage and pole barn. When you use association equipment, please fill out the form and notate any difficulties or problems you experience with the equipment. This will help keep track of issues so they can be addressed. Also, when using equipment, please don't leave your trash behind. You should clean out the equipment after each use. Thank you, Kevin Mack.



Yooper Night at Comerica Park

Reserve your seats now for this year's Comerica Park's Yooper Day, Saturday, July 28, Tigers vs Cleveland Indians at 6:10 p.m. The cost is \$55.00 per person and includes game ticket, round trip transportation from Finn Camp to Comerica Park, and a Tigers/Yooper hat. Please contact at Kim kimmzig@aol.com or text to 248.730.4780. Include your contact information (email, and/or phone) and the number of tickets you would like to reserve. All payments are due by June 1, 2018. Make payment by mailing it to Kim Ziegler at 40515 Village Oaks, Novi MI 48375. Make check payable to DFCSCA. Seats are limited and are available first come first serve. The bus will leave the clubroom parking lot promptly at 4:00 p.m.

BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The Association is seeking a member to take over as chairperson for the Sound Committee. As Steve Niemi has mentioned he would like to train a replacement and step down. If you are interested, please contact the Board.

The Board is requesting that all boats that are stored down at both Sun Lake and Loon Lake be labeled with the owners name and camp number. Please remove any boats that are no longer in use. All boats not labeled by July 1, 2018 will be disposed of properly.

The Board would like to welcome new members Justin and Kelly Davis and their children Emily and Jason and welcome new member Jaymie Ziegler.

The Board will be hosting a breakfast on July 22 at the Kentta from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

There were some thefts over Juhunnus weekend at the sauna building and clubroom. We would just like to remind members, especially during public events, to be vigilant and secure your valuables.

Due to membership concerns, we will be recommending a Blue Book Rule at the Semi-Annual Membership meeting. In the meantime, we are asking that children ages 3 years and older use the same sex sauna/changing room and restrooms.

We would like to remind the membership of the TRASH RULES. There is currently a lot of bulky items behind the tractor garage that need to be pulled to the road. This is not the Caretakers job. If you put something back there, it is your responsibility to pull it out to the road on Tuesday evenings to be picked up by the trash service on Wednesday mornings.

As a member with a child or children between the ages of 19 and 25, it is your responsibility to ensure that they work 16 hours or pay guest rates at the beach and sauna. They also are required to pay guest rates if they stay at a camp. See blue book for rates.

Finn Camp Store



Come shop at the Finn Camp store. Lots of new tee shirts, mugs, hats and back packs. For access to the store during off hours, call Patti Leppi, Ph: 248-921-1432, or email, Store@finncamp.org.

The Finn Camp has a member's only group on Facebook. If you are not a member of the group and would like to be added contact Linda Gooden at gooden 71@hotmail.com with your email address and she will add you to the group. This group will include private members only events, work projects and be another form of communication to our members.

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.

Committee chairperson and event coordinators please Submit your event notice by the 15th of the previous month. The sooner the better so we can help promote your event.

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You can now pay your Finn Camp bill online with PayPal by using treasurer@finncamp.org. You must select "Transfer to friends & family" and pay directly from your PayPal or bank account to avoid a fee. All fees incurred by Finn Camp will be charged to that member's account. Fees will be charged if paying with a credit card or selecting "transfer for goods or services."

If you have an address or phone number change please email us at bookkeeper@finncamp.org. The Finn Camp membership form can be found at 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. General questions may be answered by visiting www.finncamp.org.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Directors

Wednesday, July 18 at 6:00 p.m. - No Visitors

Sunday, July 29 at 10:00 a.m., Visitors at 12:00 noon

Future Planning Committee

Thursday, July 5, at 7:30 p.m., Boardroom

Dumpsters are for members 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 dumpster. —

Large items can be placed at roadside near the tractor garage on Tuesday's for Wednesday pick up. Construction materials can be placed in the dumpster by the pole barn.

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