



*Scholarship Breakfast Participants: Front Row: Drew Pype, Avery Calnen, Blake Holm. Middle Row: Gina Shaw, Melanie Shaw, Berkley Bretschneider, Kristine Barie, Sam Barrett. Back Row: Riley O'Brien, Josh Homola, Danny Gieselmann. Not shown: Olivia McKeever and Jaymie Ziegler.*

## 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*

### 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Finn Fest—August 10, 11, and 12, 2018

It's **FESTIVAL time!!** Mark your calendars and plan to support this major fundraising event. This is a great time to get some of your work hours in, catch up with other members and friends, and 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 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.

## CALENDAR

### August

- 2—Future Planning meeting, 7:30 p.m., boardroom
- 3,4,5—**Children's Weekend**
- 3—**Buffalo Bill & Friends Music**, 7:00 p.m., Dance Hall
- 8—Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m., no visitors
- 10,11,12—**Finn Fest**
- 18—**Sisu Sisters Breakfast and Flotilla**
- 19—Board Meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at 12:00 noon
- 19—**Future Planning Committee Sponsored Breakfast**, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Kentta

### September

- 1—**Juli Wood Concert**, 7:00 p.m., Dance Hall
- 2—**Labor Day Golf Tournament**, Hickory Hills Golf Course
- 6—Future Planning meeting, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom

### Upcoming Events:

October 6 – Wine Tasting 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., Clubroom

**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 15<sup>th</sup> of the previous month.**

Taco Wednesdays is every Wednesday 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

Flag raising ceremonies will be at 11:00 a.m. with music and entertainment continuing from the Dance Hall porch through the afternoon. There will be 50/50 raffles, prize raffles sponsored by the Scholarship Committee, kids activities and other games for all ages sponsored by the Recreation Committee, 'Round Robin' horseshoes and fowling tournaments, and the sale of Finn Camp and Finn Fest merchandise throughout the day. Save some room on your dance card and join us for some fun in the Dance Hall to close out the evening!!

**Sunday, FUNday**, and 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 42<sup>nd</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 [rjokinen@gmail.com](mailto:rjokinen@gmail.com) or by cell phone at 810-287-4591.

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

#### Saturday August 4

Swim Meet at 1:00 p.m.

Kentta open from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Children's Play at 8:00 p.m. in the dancehall

Children's bake sale after the play in the Kentta

#### Sunday August 5

Kentta open from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Children's Track Meet at 12:00 noon on Clubroom grounds.



#### **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.

## Scholarship Committee News



There was a Scholarship breakfast on Saturday, July 14 as well as a silent auction on Saturday July 7 for the Edwin Elkhill Scholarship. Students that participated were Kristine Barie, Berkley Bretschneider, Avery Calnen, Drew Pype, Sam Barrett, Riley O'Brien, Gina Shaw, Melanie Shaw, Danny Gieselman, Blake Holm, Josh Homola, Olivia McKeever and Jaymie Ziegler.

The breakfast was a great success with over 80 members turning out to support the scholarship breakfast. After the breakfast there was a ceremony for the unveiling of the Edwin Elkhill memorial bench at Sun Lake. Members swam a lap to honor our dear friend Edwin. The Scholarship Committee would like to thank Kevin Homola and Eric Solin for installing the bench at Sun Lake and Mike Barie for assembling the bench. Thank you to the News Letter Committee for promoting the event, all that donated prizes, purchased raffle tickets and came to the breakfast. The money paid for the bench.



## **Back Again Finn Camp Dance Hall, August 3, Starting at 7:00 p.m.**

To start the Children's Weekend, "Buffalo Bill" Boycott, Joanne Orr, Jackie Davidson and Gary Brandt are back again at the Finn Camp to present "Singing the Good Old Songs Again" —classic and original songs in a fun, energetic, entertaining show! Bill Boycott (Buffalo Bill) and Joanne Orr (both residing in Wyoming) are the Western Music Association harmony award winners. Bill is also a WMA yodeling champ. Jackie and Gary, of Ferndale, have performed for many years in the Detroit area. Jackie, an original member of the Grammy Award-winning group The New Christy Minstrels, has superb vocals and extraordinary banjo skills. Gary Brandt is an excellent singer-songwriter and 12-string guitarist. They are performing Friday, August 3, at the Finn Camp Dance Hall starting at 7:00 p.m. Come enjoy this exciting program of seasoned musicians and entertainers. This performance is sponsored by the Newsletter Committee. Donations will be very much appreciated.



## Scholarship Application Information

Hei All, we are approaching that time of the year again. Your scholarship application packet will be accepted but must include the following:

- Application with information included as indicated on the form
- Work hours card and a photo of yourself that you'd like to share with the membership.
- For returning applicants please include a brief summary or interesting story about your last school year.
- All of this can be emailed to Mille Packard, [millie@webcomachine.com](mailto:millie@webcomachine.com) (new email address)

If you need work hours the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Finn Fest sign-up sheets are posted at Sun Lake Beach or contact Robyn Jokinen [rbjokinen@gmail.com](mailto:rbjokinen@gmail.com) and / or one of the chairpersons of the Works Committee. **The last day to apply is September 1<sup>st</sup>.**

## Tuska Music Festival

Like Heavy Metal? Each year, Finland provides it's own unique weekend-long festival devoted entirely to this music genre. If you are interested in checking out pictures, see them at, <https://finlandtoday.fi/tuska-metal-festival-opens-its-crowded-gates-view-the-pictures/>

## 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

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Jazz saxophonist, **Juli Wood**, debuts as Finlandia Foundation National's Performer of the Year 2018-19 at the **Finn Camp on Saturday, September 1, at 7pm**. A guitarist will join Juli on the stage, making this an extraordinary evening of jazz. Juli received the prestigious POY award for her transformation of traditional Finnish songs into contemporary jazz tunes. Juli has played in jazz clubs and festivals in Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit (Cliff Bells), Stockholm, Denmark and at the world-famous Pori Jazz Festival in Finland.

The Finn Camp Cultural Committee and the Finlandia Foundation of Michigan are co-sponsoring this event. **Tickets are \$12 in advance and \$15 at the door.** For advance tickets or for more information, contact Carol Melancon, [finnculture@yahoo.com](mailto:finnculture@yahoo.com) or 586.382.8259, or Beverly Jokinen, [bjokinen@comcast.net](mailto:bjokinen@comcast.net) or 248.207.1850.

### Sisu Sister's Corner

The Sisu Sister's Breakfast and Flotilla has been rescheduled to Saturday, August 18. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The Flotilla will begin at 1:00 p.m. at Sun Lake beach. ALL are welcome to attend.

The Butterfly Garden has a couple new additions. The little library has been installed in the garden area. The library on the west side will be installed very soon. We had a very generous donation of books from an elementary school, so we will be able to add to the collection of children's books as needed. Please feel free to take a book or leave a book. If you have books you would like to donate, please add them to the library but please make sure the box is not getting over filled. As books are taken, feel free to replenish. It has also been suggested that we offer DVD's, so let's try that out and see how it goes.

Also, a big thank you to Kyle Sharpe who plays for Team Gagnon Stone in the Finn Camp's Friday night softball league. He works for the largest supplier of outdoor patio cushions in the US and has generously donated new cushions for the seating area of the Butterfly Garden. It truly adds another layer of beauty to the area.

Please help with our raffle ticket sales. It helps keep everything growing and you might just win an awesome prize! Leah Honka Paukovits was the winner of last year's Dinner for 8 raffle. It was held in the dancehall due to the fickle weather. Everyone enjoyed the food and the live music.

### Sisu Sister's 2018 Raffle

We're kicking the prizes up a notch this year! 1<sup>st</sup> prize is a delicious dinner for eight at Loon Lake PLUS an overnight stay for two in a Sisu Sister's camp. 2<sup>nd</sup> prize is a two night stay at the historic Nahma Inn in the Upper Peninsula. 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## Finnish Artifacts



Dig beneath the buildings in Turku, Finland. You might discover a wealth of artifacts showcasing the wealth of Medieval Turku — a metropolis shored on the southern tip of Finland a few short miles from the Aura River. This once bustling city marked Finland's powerful presence in fourteenth-century Europe. Archeologists began a through excavation of underground Turku last October and recently uncovered well-preserved pharmaceuticals as well as an old street and the cellars and lower levels of two prominent homes. Wedged under the basements of Cathedral School and Aboa Vetus Museum, the homes are thought to have been first owned by Evert Horn, an influential Swedish officer. Later bought by rich merchants, the homes burned in the Great Fire of Turku and now serve as a reminder of those ancient times.

*~Naomi Petäinen*

## 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.

## Edwin Elkhill Dedication

On Saturday, July 14 a dedication for Edwin Elkhill's generous donation to the Finn Camp was held at Sun Lake with a presentation of the new bench in memory of Edwin.



Members came out to Sun Lake to swim a lap in memory of Edwin.





## New Taxi Laws

Finnish taxi services now adhere to a new system. Implemented this past July, lawmakers deregulated the taxi industry in hopes of welcoming more cab companies. Hard to tell what kind of outcome this will have on driver quality but I'd like to think this will benefit the consumer by lowering taxi fares; an important factor to many international and domestic travelers. Especially during the summer months when tourism peaks and each day the Finavia Airport in Helsinki sees over three-hundred taxis per hour. With four distinct lanes reserved for taxis, budget-friendly riders may keep their costs down while wealthier riders may more easily find the perfect cab to fit their needs. ~Naomi Petäinen

## BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The Board would like to welcome new member Carol Barber and her granddaughter Veronica and new (returning) member Susan Andrews.

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.**

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](mailto: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. 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. [newsletter\\_editor@finncamp.org](mailto:newsletter_editor@finncamp.org)

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

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.

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.

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.

You can now pay your Finn Camp bill online with PayPal by using [treasurer@finncamp.org](mailto: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](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 8 at 6:00 p.m. - No Visitors

Sunday, August 19 at 10:00 a.m., Visitors at 12:00 noon

### **Future Planning Committee**

Thursday, August 2 at 7:30 p.m., Boardroom

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