



DETROIT FINNISH COOPERATIVE SUMMER CAMP ASSOCIATION

# FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2019



2019 Edwin Elkhill Scholarship recipients at the recent Scholarship Committee sponsored breakfast.

## 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*



Our annual **Juhannus** celebration will be held on Saturday, June 22. The cost to attend this event is \$5 per person. Bring the family out early for food and games and enjoy the live band playing traditional Finnish music! Fun for all ages! We will have our 4th annual boot toss competition with a one-of-a-kind trophy for furthest throw! There will also be a horseshoe tournament, cornhole, & mölkky (a traditional Finnish game)! Come and check out Pesäpallo (Finnish Baseball) - a new addition to this years fun! The kitchen will be open Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for breakfast. The kokko (bonfire) will be lit at 10:00 p.m. and a D.J. will be playing in the dancehall after. Many work hours are required to make this event a success. A sign-up sheet for kitchen help will be posted at Sun Lake. A schedule for the day will be posted on our facebook page. Contact Amber Martin at 248-770-9994 to donate prizes or schedule work hours.

## CALENDAR

### June

- 1—**Masquerade Ball**, 8:00 p.m., dancehall
- 2—**Spring Scramble** golf outing, registration begins at 8:00 a.m. tee-off at 9:00 a.m. Riverbank Golf Course
- 6—Future Planning meeting, 7:30 p.m., boardroom
- 8—**Family Movie Night, 6:00 p.m.**, "Small Foot", Dance Hall
- 9—**Board Meeting and Camp Inspection**, 9:00 a.m. visitors at 11:00 a.m.
- 9—**Sun Lake Fishing Derby**, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., registration begins at 9:00 a.m., Sun Lake
- 22—**Juhannus**
- 26—Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. No visitors
- 29—**Gypsy Sale & Bake Sale**, 10:00 a.m., Dance Hall

### July

- 5—Sun Lake Swim Registration / Assessment
- 27—Family Movie Night, 6:00 p.m., Dance Hall

### Upcoming Events

- August 3 & 4 — Children's Weekend
- August 9,10,11 — Finn Fest
- August 24 — Sisu Sisters Breakfast and Flotiila
- September 12 — Yooper Night

Memorial Day through Labor Day  
**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.

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



### **Sun Lake Fishing Derby**

\$5.00 registration fee includes lunch for both the fishers and non-fishers (does not include guest's beach and/or sauna fees.) Please bring a dish to pass.

9:00 a.m. Registration and fishing begins at 12:00 noon. With luck, lunch will be ready (fish, dogs and burgers to be supplied by Recreation Committee as well as cold soda. We will have water available, please bring your own bottles.



### **Derby Prizes and Raffles**

For our main prize this year, we will be raffling off a collapsible wagon (May not be identical to the picture shown).

50/50 will also be sold throughout the day as well as some baskets.

Whether you want to create our flyers, donate items for our baskets, or help out the day of, we are trying something new this year in lieu of having a sign-up sheet posted at Sauna. Below is a link to Sign-Up Genius, an online way to organize support:

[Sun Lake Fishing Derby Sign-Up](#)

### **More from the Rec. Committee....**

Introducing Movie Night at Finn Camp.

Once a month we will show family friendly movies in the dance hall. Popcorn and water will be provided. Please stay tuned for show times and movie selections.

Dates are June 8, July 27 and August 24

There is no cost, but donations will be gratefully accepted.

### **Swim Lessons**

Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup> is tentatively scheduled for the swim registration, assessments and placements for our swim program at Sun Lake. We are looking for a Swim Manager to handle registration and the Swim Meet. We are confirming that Chloe (last year's Instructor) is still interested in coming back this year. Lessons are typically held Monday through Thursday with Fridays in reserve as a make-up day due to cancelled lessons previously in the week. Each swim class will have a designated time each day, set-up after groups have been established (they usually start with the older group and move down to the youngin's). Classes should start on Monday, July 8 and run through August 3 when the pupils get to display their swim talents at the annual Swim Meet.

Member Rates: \$50 – 1 child, \$65 – 2 children, \$75 – three children, for 4 children please inquire.

Non-Member Rates: \$75 – 1 child, \$130 – 2 children, \$180 – 3 children, \$200 – 4 children

### Children's Play

Looking for Members and Members Children to help with the Children's Play on August 3. Email [recreation@finncamp.org](mailto:recreation@finncamp.org) if you are interested or would like more information.

Below is a link to Survey Monkey, an online survey asking our Members (and their children/grandchildren) for their input on new/expanded play areas and equipment as well as your thoughts on activities sponsored by the Recreation Committee.

### [Play Areas and Activities Survey](#)

If you are interested in joining the committee, please let us know at [recreation@finncamp.org](mailto:recreation@finncamp.org). You get 8 of your hours in just for being on the committee to cover meetings plus any additional hours put in to support an event.



### Taco Wednesdays are back!

Taco Wednesdays at the Kenttä from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. beginning on June 19 and running every Wednesday with the last day August 14. 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

### TACO WEDNESDAYS



### 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.

### Need a Seamstress?

Call Cindi Maddick for all your alterations, custom work and mending at

248-303-7337

## FINNFEST USA SEPT 19-22, 2019

<https://finnfest.us>







### **Masquerade Ball**

Saturday, June 1 at 8:00 pm, in the dancehall. DJ Jaime will be spinning dance tunes, prizes for best Mask, 50/50, refreshments & peekaboo! Get your masks or make them, dress as you like & May the best most beautiful crazy mask win! Bar committee event, so you know it's gonna be good! Love, Sherry

### **Spring Scramble Golf Outing**

The annual men's spring classic golf outing is on Sunday, June 2 at the Riverbank Golf Course, 24095 Currie Rd., South Lyon (10 Mile and Currie). Registration starts at 8:00 a.m., with tee-offs at 9:00. Contact Dave Niemi for more details. [Dneimi57@icloud.com](mailto:Dneimi57@icloud.com)

### **Voima Boys Softball**

Finn Camp's softball team the Voima Boys play on Friday evenings during the spring and summer in the Wixom over 35 recreational league. We welcome any Finn Camp members or friends to join the team. Players interested in joining can contact Bob O'Brien at 734-994-4401.

**Friday Night Grill** We need helpers to run the Friday Night Grill. If you are willing and able to help with shopping, preparing food, collecting payments or grilling please contact Bob O'Brien. This is a great way to start the weekend at Finn Camp and earn some of your work hours.

### **June 15 – Leaf Dump Area**

Piles of dirt/compost from the leaf dump will be put in designated areas around the camps for use at camps. Members can put the dirt in low-lying areas, garden beds, around trees, etc.

### **Sisu Sister's Corner**

Greetings Everyone. Here are our upcoming events. Please mark your calendars!

### **Gypsy Fair & Bake Sale**

The 2019 Gypsy Fair & Bake Sale is Saturday, June 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please contact Denise Niemasz, [Denise.Niemasz@att.net](mailto:Denise.Niemasz@att.net) Instead of having a garage or yard sale at your home.....Sell all your stuff at the Dancehall and let us advertise for you! Tables are \$15.00 for members & \$20.00 for non-members. Please contact Denise Niemasz to reserve your table. The room is filling up fast, so get your reservations in. Also, we would greatly appreciate any donations for our bake sale. If you have time to bake..... Fantastic! Store bought items are welcome also. All the money raised from the bake sale is spent on beautification projects at the Finn Camp.

### **Cookbook**

We are still looking for recipes old and new! Perhaps your Grandparents, Mom or Dad, Sister or Brother, Aunt or Uncle had a recipe in a previous cookbook. We would love to honor them by keeping their memory alive in the New Cookbook! Recipe forms are available at the Sauna, Clubroom and at the West Side Bulletin Board. All recipes are welcome...Finnish, American, Italian, Swedish, Polish we love them all! Please send or give your recipes to Denise Niemasz or Tammie King. Deadline will be Juhannus, Sunday June 23, 2019. It takes a few weeks to print the cookbooks. As soon as they are ready for purchase, we will let you know.

### **Breakfast and Flotilla**

Our Breakfast is Saturday August 24, 2019, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Flotilla will follow from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Please join us for some new delicious breakfast items and a lovely day at the beach, weather permitting.

### **Beer Tasting**

The Craft Beer Tasting has been moved to Saturday October 5, 2019. We are planning on participation from six different breweries. Tickets will be \$25.00 in advance or \$30.00 at the door and will include tickets for beer sampling as well as food. Please contact Denise 248-640-0481 or Mark Niemasz 248-379-1325 to purchase your tickets. Looking forward to a fun-filled summer at the Finn Camp! Thank you, The Sisu Sisters

## Edwin Elkhill Scholarship News



The Scholarship Committee sponsored a breakfast on May 26 at the Ravintola. The 2019 Edwin Elkhill Scholarship recipients served breakfast and helped beautify the area next to the danced hall and clubroom.

The new scholarship form is now available online at:

<https://www.finncamp.org/forms/finn-camp-scholarship-application-2019.pdf>

## Future Planning Committee News



The Future Planning Committee recently sponsored goats at Sun Lake. Goats will eat invasive plants such as bitter sweet and poison ivy. The Twin Willow Ranch supplied the goats. Twin Willow Ranch is a family business run by Denise and Mile Mourer and has been supplying goats to different organizations in the area to maintain vegetation grown since 2012.

## Photography Services

Personal, or Family Photographs taken outdoors at Finn Camp. Or in Sauna with approval and private. Watch the weather reports and buy your color coordinated apparel. Flexible schedule. Price can be coordinated depending on what you want, how many people, dogs, etc. Usually starts at \$50.00, but you own the photos and will be provided a CD. Connie-  
[cclynny@aol.com](mailto:cclynny@aol.com)  
1-313 492 8862

## Cords of Firewood For sale

\$55 for members, \$65 for non-members. Delivery is extra. Call or text Mike Honka at 248-860-5109 to schedule loading and pick up. Please do not help yourself to the firewood.







### **Yooper Night**

Reserve your seats now for this year's Yooper Night at Comerica Park on Saturday, September 14. Detroit Tigers vs. Baltimore Orioles. Game time is 6:10 p.m. The bus will be leaving the clubroom parking lot PROMPTLY at 4:00 PM. The cost is \$45.00 per person and includes a game ticket, round trip transportation and a Tigers/Yooper hat (pictured below). Please contact Linda Gooden at [sisugoodie@gmail.com](mailto:sisugoodie@gmail.com) or 248.894.0974. Include your contact information (email and/or phone) and the number of tickets you would like to reserve. Payment is due by August 3, 2019. You may pay by cash or check in the drop box at the clubroom (mark your envelope "Yooper Night") or you may use PayPal [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.



### **Family Movie Night**

The first family movie night will be Saturday, June 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Dance Hall. We will be showing the movie "Small Foot" rated PG. We will have popcorn for all the guests. Please bring a water bottle or drink of choice; bean bag, pillows. Children under 10 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Please prearrange. James and I don't want to be responsible for a ton of kids with no parents. Contact Jenny Emery for more information, 248-935-7893

### **Screenwriting Consulting**

Have you ever wanted to learn screenwriting? One hour consults- everything you need to know to begin your story. If you enjoy it and want to continue, we can add more hours. 15 years and 17 screenplays of experience along with former consulting experience for a production company. Could be scheduled on sauna days or done online. Connie - [cclynny@aol.com](mailto:cclynny@aol.com) 1-313-492-8862

### **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

## BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

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).

**Attention all committees:** The Board would like for you to communicate with us regarding projects and fundraisers you are planning. We would like to support your endeavors and projects and would like to make sure that multiple committees are not planning on tackling the same area to prevent overlapping, or we can connect those committees so they can work together.

Boats that are by the pole barn that are not claimed and removed by July 1, 2019 will be sold or scrapped.

The board would like to remind members that Michigan law prohibits anyone under the age of 21 to consume **alcohol** and to have any amount of **alcohol** in their body. The **law** prohibits the attempt to possess or consume **alcohol** by an **underage** person as well. It is not permitted for anyone under the age of 21 to sell, use, possess, attempt to possess, deliver, or be under any degree of influence (legal intoxication not required) of any alcoholic beverages on DFCSCA grounds.

As a reminder, Smoking is not allowed within 25-feet of any building entrance.

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.

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.

Non-members whose stay in a camp 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. Please see the Board Treasurer to sign a contract and provide payment.

Remember that animals must be on leash except in designated areas. See Blue Book rule 203.1.3

No open ground fires permitted.

### 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).

### Lakes Area Bait Shop

Live Bait. Reloading.  
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[LakesAreaBaitShop@  
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Suppliers to the Finn Camp Fishing  
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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 garbage 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.

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.

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 can be another form of communication to our members.

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."

The camp social director is Joni Sennhenn. Please contact Joni at 248-882-4626 to make a reservations 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.

## BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### Board of Directors

Sunday, June 9. Camp inspections begin at 9:00 a.m.  
Board meeting after inspections. Visitors at 11:00 a.m.

### Future Planning

Thursday, June 6 at 7:30 p.m., boardroom

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