



DETROIT FINNISH COOPERATIVE SUMMER CAMP ASSOCIATION

FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2019



Finn Camp at Finn Fest USA 2019. Lori Aro, Dorothy Saari Patti Leppi, Kari Aro.

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

Semiannual Membership Meeting

The second and final all-membership meeting of the year will be held on Sunday, October 27, in the Clubroom beginning at 12:00 noon. Registration will begin at 11:00 a.m. This meeting is an opportunity for all standing committees and groups to report on their activities since the April annual meeting. Many important issues are decided at this official gathering. This is an excellent chance to have your work hour cards signed and submitted.



CALENDAR

October

- 3—Future Planning Committee, 6:30 p.m., boardroom
- 5—**Craft Beer Tasting**, 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Dance Hall
- 19—**Adult Halloween Party**, 7:00 p.m., Clubroom
- 20—Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m., visitors at 11:00 a.m.
- 26—**Autumn Fest**, 12:00 Noon, Finn Camp Grounds
- 26—**Children's Halloween Party**, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., West Side Camps, 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Dancehall
- 27—**Semiannual membership Meeting**, 12:00 noon, clubroom. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m.

November

- 1 —Work Hour cards due
- 2 —**Harvest Dinner**, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., Clubroom
- 3—**Annual Fall Talkoo**, 10:00 a.m., Meet at the Clubroom
- 7—Future Planning Committee, 6:30 p.m., boardroom
- 15—**Sisu Sisters Spa Night**, 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., Sauna

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

Sauna Hours:

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturday - 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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



Craft Beer Tasting

Please join us for a celebration of beer! Saturday, October 5, from 5:00 to 10:00 we will have a selection of beer from five different breweries. Snacks will be available for purchase. Must be 21 to attend. Tickets are on sale now. \$25.00 includes ten beer tickets and a souvenir tasting mug. If tickets are still available they will be \$30.00 at the door so purchase in advance and assure your entry. Tickets can be purchased via Venmo: @ Sisu-Sisters

For more information or to purchase tickets contact:

Mark Niemasz: (248) 379-1325 Camp 121
Deidra Larsen: (248) 761-2425 Camp 103
Tammie King: (248) 248-624-6691 Camp 67



Annual Harvest Dinner

Please join the Bar Committee for this annual event on Saturday, November 2, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the clubroom. We provide the turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes and salad. Bring your appetite and a passing dish or dessert.

Sisu Sister's Corner

The cookbooks are here! Get yours while supplies last. Only \$10.00 each. Contact Tammie King or Denise Niemasz to purchase.

Saturday, October 5 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. will be our Craft Beer Tasting in the Dancehall.

Friday, November 15 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. will be our Spa Night at the Sauna. All Ladies are welcome to join us for an evening of relaxation, a free Sauna, delicious food, professional massage, fun games, gift exchange and pre-holiday celebration with friends.

We are always looking for members who enjoy gardening to help with the Butterfly Garden upkeep. Please contact Tammie King @ 248-624-6691 if you are interested in learning about Monarch Butterflies and their habitat.

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.



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 1-313-492-8862

Children's Halloween Night

Let's have a SpoOkTacuLar time at Finn Camp Halloween! Join us for the children's Halloween night on Saturday, October 26, beginning at the west side camps for Trick or Treating from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Afterwards meet up at the dance hall from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for walking taco's, a spooky story teller, hayride, costume contest, cider and donuts! Bring your ghoulish friends and join in the fun.

Autumn Fest

Come and spend the afternoon playing on the Finn Camp grounds on Saturday, October 26. The fun starts at 12:00 noon. Enjoy horseshoes, pickle ball, corn hole, fowling, salidbandy and a nine hole putt-putt golf course! This event is \$5.00 per person and includes a warming Mojakka lunch with cider and donuts. Just want to be a spectator? Same \$5.00 lunch is available to you as well! There will also be an adult craft project (Time and craft TBD, craft project will be a separate cost).

Adult Halloween Party

It's Haunting season! The Adult Halloween party is on Saturday, October 19, 8:00 p.m. in the clubroom. The D.J. will be rockin' out the tunes. Vote for your favorite costumes. Prizes to be awarded for the Most Creative, Funniest, Scariest, Laziest and Best Couple. We will have a 50/50 raffle, a fire in the pit outside, corn-hole, darts and pool. Come and get your Freaky Frankenstein on! - *Sponsored by the Bar Committee*

Need a Seamstress?

Call Cindi Maddick for all your alterations, custom work and mending at 248-303-7337





Finn Fest USA 2019 at Camp Country



Finn Fall in the Dancehall.



Steve Niemi and Patti Leppi Finnish fashion show.



Becky Wendela and Erick Leskinen served as sound engineers with our new sound system for Finn Hall.



Fall Talkoo

The fall talkoo is Finn Camp's annual tradition of its members coming together to prepare the grounds for the winter. Please come out for this event, which is a sociable occasion as well as being task oriented. All ages are invited to join in. Free mojakka and a complimentary sauna will be provided for the workers. This year's talkoo will be held on Sunday, November 3, starting at 10:00 a.m. Sign in at the Clubroom upon arrival.



Future Planning Committee News

Three boat racks were installed at Sun Lake and two boat racks were installed at Loon Lake. Each rack holds four boats. The racks were constructed from excess materials from around the Finn Camp. Areas were cleared by brush hogging. Weed prevention paper and gravel were placed at each site. This was a Future Planning Committee Project.

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

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.

Scholarship, Committee News – More Quotes from Student Scholarship Applicants

I love Finn Camp more than anything. I know I would not be who I am without the D.F.C.S.C.A.”

“Finn Camp has been my lifeline to my heritage, which is why both are important to me.”

“(Finn Camp) has provided me with a place where I can experience all aspects of my Finnish heritage.”

“Finn Camp scholarship greatly helped me with college.”

“Because of the freedom that the scholarship allowed me I was able to attend many career related events.”

“I am very grateful for the Finn Camp scholarship and what it allowed me to accomplish.”

“Scholarship was extremely helpful in allowing me to pay for school. It covered some of the remaining costs not taken care of my loans...”

“I decided to train for a triathlon in order to stay in shape. I swam many laps at Sun Lake and I think Edwin would have been proud.”

“The Edwin Ekhill scholarships have helped me pay for textbooks and parts of my tuition, and I’m very thankful for it.”

“With the money from this year’s scholarship, I plan to use it to help pay for classes as I complete my junior year and work towards my bachelor’s degree in history.

“It is truly amazing how Finn Camp has done so much to help the youth experience the Finnish traditions. It has helped me recognize how cool and unique my Finnish heritage is.”

Thank you for the Scholarship donations from these dining establishments.

The Glengary Inn

1211 Glengary Road
Wolverine Lake, MI 48390

Ph: 248-624-1868

www.Glengaryinn.com

Monday – Thursday 11:00 a.m. to
Midnight

Friday-Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 2:00
a.m.

Dave & Amy’s

800 North Pontiac Trail
Walled Lake, MI 48390

Ph: 248-956-8622

www.Daveandamys.com

Mon, Tues, Thurs, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00
p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Saturday 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Benstein Grill

2435 Benstein Road
Commerce Twp, MI 48390

www.bensteingrille.com

Monday – Thursday 11:30 a.m. to
10:00 p.m.

Friday 11:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

Work hour cards are due by Friday, November 1.



The Board is accepting sealed bids for the John Deere 25A Flail mower. Bids must start at \$2,000 and will be accepted until November 30.

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.

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.

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, and attempt to possess, deliver, or be under any degree of influence (legal intoxication not required) of any alcoholic beverages on DFCSCA grounds.

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.

Lakes Area Bait Shop

Live Bait. Reloading.
Supplies for Fishing,
including Bowfishing. Hunting,
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2600 Benstein Rd.,
Wolverine Lake
(south of Glengary Rd.)
Ph.: 248-624-3333
[LakesAreaBaitShop@
Yahoo.com](mailto:LakesAreaBaitShop@yahoo.com)
Suppliers to the Finn Camp Fishing
Derby

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.

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 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. 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, October 20, 9:00 a.m., visitors at 11:00 a.m.

Future Planning

Thursday, October 3, 6:30 p.m., boardroom

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