



FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2020

Dear DFCSCA members and families,

Covid-19 Update

The Board would like to thank you for your patience and support as we continue to navigate unprecedented times during this evolving public health matter that has brought about many changes and uncertainty within a matter of a week. We realize how the membership and their families value the connection they have with the Finn Camp. There is simply no other place like it for enjoyment, wellness, and sense of community.

In the best interest of all our members and families, the Board has decided to temporarily close all DFCSCA facilities due to this public health crisis our community, state and country is currently dealing with. This closure is in effect **Monday, March 22 through Monday, April 13**. The board will review this temporary closure on April 5th, as this unprecedented public health crisis unfolds.

We value the safety and well-being of all of our members and their families, which is why we are taking these unprecedented steps to help keep everyone safe. We appreciate your understanding and hope we will be back to normal operations in the very near future. We hope you and yours stay healthy and safe during this public health crisis. Take care and be well,

DFCSCA Board of Directors

Annual Membership Meeting

The 2020 Annual Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 26 in the Clubroom beginning at 12:00 noon. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. The board will review options for rescheduling and / or relocating the Annual Meeting in light of the coronavirus restrictions. It is very important that members attend the meeting. Many issues need to be discussed and voted on. Please come to the meeting and be a part of the decision making process of our association. Lunch will be provided and a free sauna will be available to attendees after the meeting.

CALENDAR

April

- 19—Forest Management committee, meet at the pole barn, 10:00 a.m.
- 19—Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m., visitors at 11:00 a.m.
- 26—**Annual Membership Meeting**, 12:00 noon. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m., clubroom.

May

- 7—Future Planning Committee, 6:30 p.m., boardroom
- TBD—**Spring Talkoo**, 10:00 a.m.
- TBD—Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m., visitors at 11:00 a.m.
- 24—**Scholarship Breakfast**, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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.

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 248-882-46726



Scholarship Committee

Quotes from Student Scholarship Applications 2019 / 2020

"I would like to thank you all again for believing in me and having enough faith to help support me along my journey. I am coming into my senior year, finishing up classes this fall and then I start my student teaching this spring. It's really amazing how time flies. I would not have been able to make it this far without all of you and your support."

"I used last year's scholarship to cover all of my books, both semester's worth and any money that I had left over went straight to my ever-rising tuition bill. So thank you, so very much! This scholarship really makes it a lot easier..."

"I have been so grateful for the opportunities that this scholarship has allowed me..."

"By receiving the scholarship I was able to have a great year at Michigan State, continue to advance in my field and grow closer with the Finn Camp."

"The Finn Camp has always been a big part of my life and will continue to be for the rest of my life."

"By getting my hours done I am able to continue to be close to the Finn Camp and remember how my ancestors built this great place. The Finn Camp has given me so much to be thankful for that I couldn't imagine not being a part of it."

Spring off to New Life

Escaping to a Finnish cabin during this difficult time sounds like a lovely plan. As winter blooms into spring, trees will bud, icy lakes will flow, green shoots will peek through soil while one enjoys the fresh smells of new life. Even if one doesn't reside in Finland, one can see the signs of spring in their own backyard. In mine, I plan to plant cherry tomatoes and snap peas this season with my son. He loves gardening. His smile while we poke seeds into pots is worth it. I encourage all those experiencing anxiety in our current predicament to find a spring activity or pastime. Such beauty might breeze away those blues and renew the spirit. ~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

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 - cclynnny@aol.com
1-313-492-8862

Fairytale Time

In the woods, lived a Finnish gnome named Darby. Every summer morning, she collected wild lingonberries for her family. On one sunny day, she set off with her pail. Skipping past Caribou Corner and Mr. Bear's den, she sang a cheerful melody. The birds tweeted along with her, flapping in the trees. Their ruckus woke Mr. Bear. He moseyed close to Darby, inviting her attention to his. "Tell me why you are so happy?" "Sunshine brings my jolly dance." She wiggled her hips as she rushed into a bush. "Look at all these ripe gems. I bet they'll taste mighty juicy. In fact, I'll share some with you if you smile." "Nothing to smile about," Mr. Bear scoffed. "You disturbed my slumber." "Sleep can wait. Your feet are the perfect size for berry smashing." She began filling her basket. "By this time tomorrow, you and I will be jiving on my porch, sipping Lingonberry wine." "And why would I want to do that?" "Cause tomorrow's Booze Day." ~Naomi Petäinen



Spring Talkoo

The date for this annual event is still being reviewed. Spring Talkoo is typically scheduled on a Sunday in early May. Many workers are required to spruce up our grounds and ready our facilities for another great season. After the work is done, mojakka will be served and saunas offered to all workers. Be sure to register in the Clubroom to qualify for your free lunch and sauna. More information to follow.



Sisu Sisters Corner

Greetings All,
Please mark your calendars for July 25.
We will be having our Gourmet Breakfast & Flotilla.

More details to follow...
Stay Safe Everyone & Be Healthy!

Juhannus Pictures Needed

Attention all members: Juhannus pictures needed! The older the better but all pictures welcome! Email them to: ambersennhenn@gmail.com. Specifically I'm looking for pictures of the kokko or any other cultural thing from past Juhannus (maypole, etc.). Kiitos!
-Amber Martin

Tax Preparations Services

For assistance in preparing 2019 tax returns please contact William Allen. \$75.00 for members, \$125.00 for non-members.
Ph: 248-872-8890
Email: allenhw@umich.edu

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
Suppliers to the Finn Camp Fishing Derby

Recreation Committee News & Events

R.C. RIDDLE

Is there a word in the English language that uses all of the vowels including 'y'?

R.C. MONTHLY CHALLENGE

Pi Day was Saturday, March 14 – commonly written as 3/14. That's been designated Pi Day because 3-1-4 are the first three digits of pi. The letters of "Pi Day" also have a curious mathematical significance. What is it?

The content on this page is for children and adults alike. We hope you enjoy! Can you figure out the Riddle or the Challenge without the use of a computer? Who can find all of the words in the word search below first – you or your child(ren)...or you vs. your friends? Most anyone can complete a dot-to-dot, but can you transform the picture into an original work of art? Please feel free to post your answers, photos, pictures of your family enjoying this page on the Facebook page or email to recreation@finncamp.org.

Find all of the Earth Day related words from the list below. The words can be up, down, forward, backward, or diagonal.

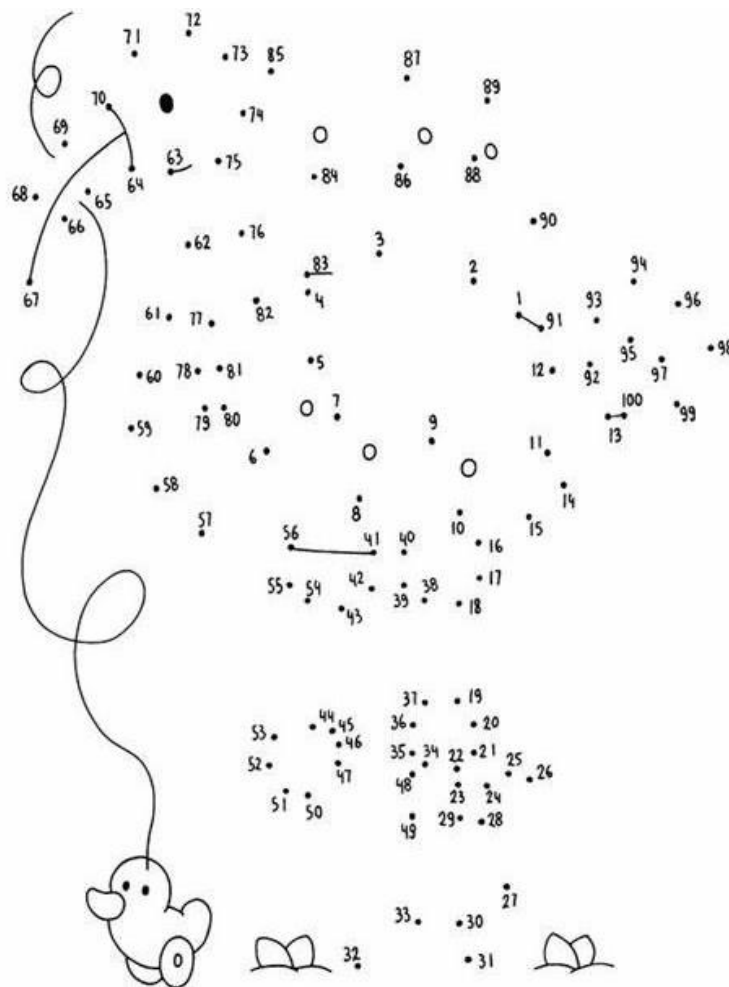
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REDUCE

RESOURCES
REUSE
SMOG
TRASH
TREES
WASTE
WATER
WILDLIFE



COMING SOON...

Sunday, June 14th – Fishing Derby Sunday Fun-Day

Monday July 5th – Aug 1st or Aug 7th – Swim Lessons

Kid's Corner

Why do cows have bells around their necks?

Answer: Their horns don't work.

What's black and yellow and goes, 'zzub'?

Answer: A bee flying backwards.

How much dirt is there in a hole that measures two feet by three feet by four feet?

Answer: There is no dirt in the hole.

BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The Board has decided to waive all interest penalties for unpaid balances for the month of April due any unforeseen financial hardships cause by the impact of COVID-19.

Bids for camp #72 will be accepted during the months of April, May and June. Handwritten bids are to be dropped off in the clubroom dropbox or by mail. The bidding will close at the end of June and the winning bid will be announced after the first July board meeting.

New work hour cards are now located at the sauna building and the clubroom.

The Board is actively seeking members for the following positions: Bar Manager, Assistant Bar, Manager, Bookkeeper, Beach Manager and Kitchen Manager. Interested applicants can email board@finncamp.org with a letter of interest.

April 2020 there will be four seats open on the board. Please consider running for a position. We need YOU!

Board of Directors statement regarding cannabis:
It is illegal to consume cannabis in a public place. Michigan law permits cannabis to be consumed in a home or private place. At the DFCSCA this would include a member's cabin and is the only place where cannabis may be consumed on DFCSCA grounds.

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.

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.

Need a Seamstress?

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

Automotive Repair

If you are looking for a great mechanic and want a fair price look no more. I am a certified automotive technician. If you are in need of light auto repairs please give me a call!

Rob Zewatsky 248-877-0601
Estimates will be provided with every request!

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.

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, April 19, 9:00 a.m., visitors at 11:00 a.m.

Forest Management

Sunday, April 19, 10:00 a.m., meet at the pole barn

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.

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