

FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2020



Sun Lake in the fall.

Semiannual Membership Meeting

The second and final all-membership meeting of the year was held on Sunday, October 18, in the Dancehall. Fortyeight members were in attendance. The Finn Camp is proud to welcome new members; Lorie Cousino, Jessica Finck, Brenna Gooden, William Conger and Nancy Hanson.

Finn Camp Christmas Card

It's easy to let your Finn Camp family know you are thinking of them this Christmas by having your name included on the Finn Camp Christmas card. This one of-akind card will be designed by one of our very own and mailed to all members of our association. If you would like your name included, deadline is December 6. Cost is \$5.00 per family. Cash accepted as well as Venmo (@kaylajokinen) or mail a check to DFCSCA with Christmas card in the memo line. Please remember to include your name as you want it to appear on the card.

Kayla Jokinen

Sauna Update

Wednesday saunas will be open for MEMBERS ONLY until further notice. Saturday & Sunday sauna from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. are for seniors and high risk individuals only. All other members and guests are welcome from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. In addition it is recommended that face coverings be worn inside the building. This includes inside the dressing areas and restrooms. The lounge area is closed until further notice. Please use side dressing room entrances. Your cooperation is appreciated.

CALENDAR

November

- 1—Work Hour cards due, camps close for season
- 4—Future Planning Committee, 7:00 p.m., clubroom
- 8—Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m., visitors at 11:00 a.m.
- 8—Forest Management committee 10:00 a.m., meet at the pole barn

December

2—Future Planning Committee, 7:00 p.m., clubroom

Clubroom: Open Sunday, November 1, 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. for Lions football. See below for details regarding additional Clubroom hours.

Sauna Hours:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for members only.

Saturday and Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. for seniors and high risk individuals only. 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. for all other members and guests.

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

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

Clubroom Opening News

The Clubroom will be open this Sunday, November 1, from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. for Lions football. The Clubroom will be open again on Saturday, November 7, from 7:00 p.m. to close and Sunday, November 8, 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. for Lions football. Remaining of November and December the Clubroom will be open Fridays 7:00 p.m. to close, Saturdays, 7:00 p.m. to close, and Sundays, 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.



Adult Halloween Party

The Finn Camp adult Halloween party was held on Saturday, October 17 in and outside the dance hall.



Pam Linick, Sherry Franco Martin, and Joni Sennhenn at the adult Halloween party.

Newsletter Committee News

The newsletter committee is seeking new members to join our team. The position of chairperson and contributors are available. The chairperson produces the newsletter drafts and final copy and the contributors help create articles and reach out to other Finn Camp committees to assist in promoting their committee news and events. For more information please contact us at newsletter_editor@finncamp.org



Hei All,

Just wanted to give a shout out to Greg Pelto for donating a stainless steel shelved table for the tractor garage. It will be a sturdy surface for working on all the equipment! Thank you very much Greg!

We also wanted to thank Rob & Amber Pisha for building two sets of Cornhole games. One set will be at Loon Lake & the other at Sun Lake next summer. We are planning on providing the first set of bean bags.

Happy Holidays to Everyone! Please play it safe & stay healthy!

Thank you.



Finn Camp Scholarship College Student Trailblazers - August 2020

A nice collaboration between the Future Planning Committee and Finn Camp Scholarship students resulted in a new 3rd Trail being blazed from Sun Lake to the Ballfield on Finn Camp grounds. Gavin Wing Jr. brought his vision to Future Planning for an exercise circuit for an unfinished trail that some believe was originally started in the 90's but was never finished or utilized. Phase 1 was to finish it. This would allow someone to loop around the forest on a trail and keep track of their laps. Wing said the entire trail is about a 3rd of a mile.



When Finn Camp member Michelle Ebel caught wind of the idea, she got the ball rolling stating, "I thought it would be a great way for Scholarship students and others to get in their work hours." College student Riley O'Brien also took charge, and in late August, 7+ students /members completed the hard work of clearing the trail. Because there was a small steep hill, the crew decided to add steps and the results look great. A path was also cleared near the side of the steps for bikes.

"Going forward, the plan is to clean and reestablish some trails that have been overgrown in 200 foot pine trees", said Wing. "A second phase would add something like exercise stations but that's still in the planning stages." Way to go! to all the students and members who put in the hours for this project and will continue on in the Spring. See you on the new trail!



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.

BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

Boats cannot be tied to the fishing or swimming docks at Loon Lake.

Campfires at individual camps must be monitored and completely extinguished when not in use. Campfires are only permitted in fire pits. No ground fires are permitted.

The Board would like to remind all members that the use of heavy equipment must only be done with approval of the mechanical committee. If you have any questions please contact Kevin Mack.

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 events, 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 social director should also be contacted prior to scheduling events to prevent conflicts with other events / activities.

According to Blue Book Rule 203.1.3: Animals are not permitted on the grounds unless properly leashed.

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

There has been a large increase with non-members riding bikes, walking their dogs and running through Finn Camp. If you see people who do not look familiar please address them politely and ask them to leave.

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. The dumpster at Sun Lake is for Finn Camp projects only. No personal or camp debris is allowed.

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.

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!

Cords of Firewood For sale

\$55 for 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.

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, November 8, 9:00 a.m., visitors at 11:00 a.m.

Forest Management

Sunday, November 8, 10:00 p.m., meet at the pole barn

Future Planning

Wednesday, November 4, 7:00 p.m., clubroom

Need a Seamstress?

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

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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