# **DETROIT FINNISH COOPERATIVE SUMMER CAMP ASSOCIATION**



# Heinäkuu (July) Newsletter

2022



# JUHANNUS 2022 Was a Great Success!

There were around 350 people who came out to enjoy the activities of the day and the weather could not have been better! The day started off with a pickleball tournament. Congratulations to Eric Kivi (guest) and Kemmy Shaheen who took first place. After that Alan Arbour and Andew Sennhenn won the horseshæ tournament. We had almost 100 people toss the boot! Eric Kivi took first place for the men with a toss of 96 feet and Gina Weidman took first place for the women with a toss of 66 feet.



Ismo had a great performance in the dancehall and had the crowd laughing for over an hour! He was able to experience all that Finn Camp had to offer including camp life, food, kokko, Sun Lake & sauna. Thank you to everyone who made him feel like he was back home in Finland - the English speaking part.

The food from the kitchen was delicious! The kokko burned big and hot! A special thank you to: Cory Sturr, Remi Pype, and Kayla Jokinen for managing the kitchen and shopping for food; Kokko Master Mike Honka and

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### **CALENDAR**

### July

- 3—Scholarship Breakfast 8:00AM-11:00AM
- 5—Sun Lake Swim Lessons Registration 11:00AM-1:00PM
- 16—**Beach Private Rental**
- 16—Ravintola & Dance Hall Private Rental
- 17—**Board Meeting,** 9:00AM, Visitors at 11:00
- 23-Beach Private Rental
- 23—Sisu Sisters Gourmet Delights Breakfast 8:30AM to 11:30AM
- 27—Board Meeting, 6:00PM, No Visitors
- 28-Loon Lake Weed Control

### **August**

- 6-Sun Lake Swim Meet, 1:00PM
- 6—**Children's Weekend Dinner** 4:00PM - 7:00PM Ravintola
- 6—Family Movie Night 8:00PM
- 7—Children's Weekend Breakfast 8:00AM - 11:00AM
- 7—**Children's Track Meet** 12:00 noon, Kentta 12-14—**Finn Fest**

**TBD**—**Board Meeting** 

9/4—Labor Day Golf Outing 12:00 Hickory Hill

### • Beach Hours •

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 11:00AM-7:00PM Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday - 11:00AM - 9:00PM

### • The Clubroom Hours •

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday - 7:00 PM - Close

### · Sauna Hours ·

Saturday/Sunday -

1:00PM - 3:00PM, Seniors & High Risk

3:00PM - 9:00PM, All Members & Guests

Wednesday - 3:00PM - 9:00PM, All Members & 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 each month.





the woods committee for building a great kokko; Steve Niemi for his music and organizing the Finnish Band; Drew Pype, Sam Barrett and Matt Kujala for setting up and taking down chairs in the dancehall; Andrew Sennhenn for helping out all day and night wherever needed; Chris Nordin for getting Ismo to and from the airport and for making/donating the boot toss trophies & raffle prizes; Gavin Wing, Jr. for running the pickleball tournament and stepping up in the kitchen when needed; Becky Wendela and Erick Leskinen for working the sound and lighting; Dave Hall for donating his camp to Ismo for the weekend & Belinda Arbogast for getting it ready; Denny Sennhenn for moving furniture and people with the gator; the Recreation Committee for the wish stick making station; Bev and Mike Jokinen for assembling the buttons; Glynn Simmons for designing the buttons and t-shirts; Alisa Santti for making pulla; Mike Barie for cleaning up the horseshee pits (wheever is letting their dog use this area, please start cleaning up after your pet); and to everyone else who helped in the kitchen, sold raffle tickets and buttons, worked security, and got the place ready for this special day - it would not have happened without you all! We look forward to another great Juhannus next year! Kiitos!





Funny Finlander Ismo is no reserved Finnish male. Akin to my Finnish hubby, Kai, who is an open book, Ismo too speaks his mind. We laughed the entire time he performed at Finn Camp. On Juhannus, he featured intelligent humor focused on the differences between Finland and America, such as — "Why immigrants find the American Imperial Measurement System confusing", "How American acronyms often perplex immigrants", "When sex dies", and my favorite, "What are the various American innuendoes of 'shit'". I was reminded of the times I was practicing Finnish. I innocently went around Kai's church shaking hands, saying "raha" (money), instead of saying "rauha" (peace be with you). Then, another time I was trying to say, "olen hyvä ihminen" (I am a good person), but it came out, "olen hyvä paholainen" (I am good devil).

Anyway, those were just a few of Ismo's hilarious acts. You can listen to dozens more on the internet. According to Ismo, he takes his inspiration from George Carlin and writes separate scripts to fit the location where he performs. In example, he said he would tour Finland next and would not only speak in Finnish but his topics would cater to Finnish culture. Impressive, no doubt. Ismo has a natural gift. Kai and I have watched numerous comedians over the years, and Ismo's was one of the best we have heard in a long time. After the show, we were lucky enough to get this picture above, and Ismo said, "It's the first time I've ever taken a selfie with a professional camera."

~Naomi Petäinen ~ photo above by Kai Petäinen





Hei Everyone,

Thank you to everyone for all the donations and shopping our Rummage Sale. We were so thrilled with all the wonderful treasurers and the amazing turnout. Many shoppers took hours to explore all the tables.

Loon Lake Clean Up was a wonderful day and many tasks were accomplished. We had to put a few projects on hold. Due to larger projects have to be done first. We still need help painting the front peak on the West Side Bathroom. We will set you up with scaffolding and all the painting supplies. Please call Tammie 248 624 6691 if you are interested.

• The Finn Camp Sisu Sisters 2022 Fundraiser tickets are available to purchase. Please check out posted flyer, for all the prize details.

Tickets are on Sale in the Finn Camp Store, around camp or call Tammie

• The Sisu Sisters Gourmet Delights Breakfast is scheduled for Saturday July 23, 2022.

8:30a.m. to 11:30a.m. Menu will be posted soon.

Kiitos to ALL



# The Finn Camp Sisu Sisters 2022 Fundraiser Rafile The Drawing will be August 14, 2022 at Finn Fest. You will be called the same day as the drawing to be notified of what you have won.

TICKETS \$5 EACH OR BOOK of 5 FOR \$20

- **Ist prize:** 23-hour Sauna at your house courtesy of Michigan Mobile Sauna. Within a 50-mile radius of South Lyon.
- **2nd prize:** 4 Great Tiger Tickets with VIP Parking. Valued at \$298. Seat Location Section 135. Row 14. Located directly behind the Tigers Dugout.
- **3rd prize:** The Finn "Camp" Exterior Paint Job Your 12'ft x 18'ft Camp will be power washed and lightly scrapped of loose paint. 2 coats of Benjamin Moore Ultra Spec Exterior Paint will be used. Everything will be painted the same color. Additional colors will be an extra charge.
- **4th prize:** \$100 Gift Card for the Andiamo Restaurant Group.
- **-5th prize:** FAO Jewelers in Brighton, Michigan. Sterling Silver Necklace. Valued at \$95.

All proceeds to benefit
Finn Camp Beautification
Thank you for your support!
Tickets are on sale now around the Finn Camp
Contact Tammie @ 248.624.6691



Calling all current and past Scholarship Students.

Your support is needed
at the breakfast on July 3rd 7:30a – 11:30a.

Please wear your university t-shirt!

Email: kimziegler6@gmail.com

to sign-up for this and other Scholarship Committee opportunities!

Reminder – the deadline to submit 2022 Scholarship Application is September 1st. Refer to the application located on the Finn Camp website for eligibility. All documentation must be included with the application.



The usual preparations are underway to resume our 'annual' festival and we NEED YOUR HELP!! Festivities begin about 5pm on Friday evening and will continue throughout the weekend with plenty of food and beverages, music and entertainment, raffles, horseshæs, games, kids activities, and of course – the softball tournament!!!

This has been the major fundraising event of the year and REQUIRES member participation! It is the perfect time to get work hours in and support our Finn Camp! Workers will be needed in ALL areas throughout the weekend - and some things can be done during the week leading into the festival to prepare the area and grounds for the weekend. Get together with family and friends and sign up to work in the kitchen or under the tent, setting up on Friday morning or cleaning up on Monday, games/activities area for the kids (all ages), concessions and beverage areas, BUT especially in the kitchen ...WE NEED YOU!!!! Remember – every hour counts, no matter the size of the task!! PLEASE give a couple of hours and pitch in to make our festival a success!!

Watch for e-mail and Facebook blasts for updates and a detailed outline of Finn Fest weekend in the August newsletter.

Work hours sign-up will be posted using the SignUpGenius app beginning July 7th.

For more information or if you have questions, suggestions, or new ideas, please contact Robyn Jokinen, Finn Fest Chairman, by email at:

rbjokinen@gmail.com

or cell phone at 810-287-4591.



Lots to do...please help out! Feel free to contact us if you would like to help us out by getting in some of your hours with us at: <a href="mailto:recreation@finncamp.org">recreation@finncamp.org</a>



Thank you to Bruce and Sandra Zarbaugh for taking over the Sun Lake lawn maintenance this year. Let's make sure we give them support as they learn the ropes for mowing Sun Lake!

Paulie continues to mow and support the ball field, Lyonia and surrounding areas.



Hunter Dreisbach will be our Swim Instructor for the 2022 season. Hunter himself grew up taking lessons through-out his childhood at the Finn Camp and wants to pass on what he learned to the next generation of swimmers.

Registration will be Tuesday, July 5th at Sun Lake from 11am – 1pm. If your child(ren) can be in attendance, please have them bring a suit so that they can be assessed at that time as to their current swim abilities. Payment by Cash or Check only.

Swim lessons will start on Wednesday, July 6th running Monday through Thursdays through August 4th. Lessons will be offered as a 'Full Swim Program' which will be daily, M-Th.

- Member pricing: \$60 (1 child), \$90 (2 children), \$110 (3 children)
- Non-member pricing: \$80 (1 child), \$130 (2 children), \$170 (3 children).
- Individual Sessions will also be offered: Member rate \$10/child/session;
- Non-member rate: \$15/child/session.

Individual session sign-ups will be available at Registration. Current time-slots for lesson begin at 11am and offered through 6:30pm....scheduled classes will get first dibs, typically taking up the earlier slots.



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

The Board would like to remind all members that the use of heavy equipment must only be done with approval of the mechanical committee. Rob Zewatsky is the mechanical committee chair. Contact Rob or the board for permission to use the equipment.

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 fund-raisers 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 or activities.

# Camp Quiet Hours: 11pm - 8am.

Please be respectful of all in the community by keeping quiet hours at the camps.

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.

**Facility Reservations:** Any member interested in renting the clubroom, dancehall, ravintola, or beach should contact the social director, Joni Sennhenn, at 248-882-4626. Also, all committees should verify venue availability with the social director prior to scheduling events as private rentals may conflict.

**Camp rentals** are handled through the Board of Directors. Any member looking to rent their camp should complete a camp rental form and submit it to the Board prior to the rental date.

Email board@finncamp.org.

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 <a href="mailto:treasurer@finncamp.org">treasurer@finncamp.org</a>.

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.

# **Beach Hours:**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 11am-7pm Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday 11am-9pm SAUNA OPEN

Thank you to Steve Maki, Aila, and Ethan Paukovits for running the beach this summer!

• We request all members to sign-in even if you are only hanging out on the beach.



As of June 1st, 2022 all boats should have been registered with the Finn Camp via,

https://finncamp.org/forms/Watercraftregistration.

In accordance to bluebook policy, we have posted boat registration for over three months and therefore the board will be taking action to dispose of any unclaimed watercraft.

Per Bluebook rule-203.3.5 - Non-members shall not be allowed to launch boats or ice fishing facilities from our lakeshore property. Members shall identify their boats with their membership number and register their boats with the Board of Directors.

Blue Book rule-105.3.1- Property other than real estate may be sold provided a notice is given in the newsletter by the Board of Directors for 3 consecutive months. If the acceptable bid is not received from a member, then the property may be disposed of at the discretion of the Board.

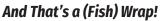


HELP WANTED throughout the season and beyond. Lots of work hour opportunities! MOVIE NIGHT - Setting up and taking down of movie equipment (there will be a Movie Night August 6); SWIM REGISTRATION (July 5th, 2-4 hrs) - collecting forms/money; SWIM MEET (Aug 6th, 2-3 hrs) - off-shore boat support, completing ribbon information (lots of writing), watermelon prep, ribbon ceremony; CHILDREN'S WEEKEND DINNER (Aug 6th, 2-6 hrs) - grocery shopping, meal prep, set-up, taking/filling orders, collecting money, cooks, clean-up; CHILDREN'S PRODUCTION (Aug 6th, 1 - 24 hrs) - hours would start in July running/helping with practices, costumes, stage set-up, coordinating sound/lighting needs, dress rehearsal the night before, setting up chairs in the dancehall; DAD'S BREAKFAST (Aug 7th, 2-6 hrs) - grocery shopping, set-up, taking/filling orders, collecting money, cooks, clean-up; TRACK MEET (Aug 7th, 2-4 hrs) - event set-up, be a Team Guide, completing ribbon information (lots of writing), clean-up; KID'S HALLOWEEN PARTY (Oct. 29th, 1-24 hrs) - menu planning/shopping, planning activities/games, set-up/take-down; PIKKU JOULU (Dec 4th, 2-24 hrs) - menu planning/shopping, planning activities/games, coordination with Santa, Clubroom set-up/clean-up.



shirts, mugs, hats & backpacks. For access to the store during off hours, call Patti Leppi, Ph: 248-921-1432, or email, Store@finncamp.org.

# Recreation Committee Seven



25 fishers and 150 fish. Huge Kiitos to Steve Maki for opening the gates/sauna building early, Devin Norwood, Jon and Michelle Foss, Dave Grogan, Russ Santti, Melissa and Sean Baker, Chuck Rudzki, Norma (Sam) Dernberger and Robert Taipala for contributing your time to support the event!!





The next generation of fishers learning how to clean fish

Congratulations Brian Malzahn on his 17" bass











We have a couple of volunteers for Finnish dance lessons and are currently working on a schedule (most likely will begin late June).

# **Work Administrator Update**

# Happy Summer everyone!

We have plenty of opportunities to get your work hours in. Please contact your work administrators or board for work opportunities:

- Weed whacking around the kitchen, parking lots, clubroom etc.
- Garden maintenance around the clubroom, up the hill to the dancehall and in front of the dancehall.
- Kitchen front of house cleaning of shelves and organizing/labeling current storage bins
- Clubroom entrances need cleaning.
- Shop Vac for backroom of dancehall
- Stick pick up to help with mowing around back of dancehall.
- Picnic table maintenance (at the hill (Rav), Sun Lake and Loon Lake)
- Cleaning and varnishing picnic tables and seats (we have supplies)
- Power washing around the cement walkways of clubroom and Rav.
- Edging around walkways and gardens of clubroom

If you see something that needs to be done we will be happy to give you the support you need to keep our grounds beautiful!

# Hello Finn Campers!



Check your basement, attic or camp if you have a working CRT TV (Old Box type) that you are willing to part with. Preferably, around 20 inches wide or larger.

Please contact Keegan Bretschneider to discuss details. Text 737-990-5797 or email at Thank you!

- Keeganbret@gmail.com-

# Loon Lake Weed Control

Weed Control is scheduled for: July 28th

Dates may need to be changed due to inclement weather. Treatment reminders and updates will be sent by email notification.











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# **BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

# **Upcoming Board Meetings**

July 17th, 9:00am, visitors 11am July 27th, 6:00pm, no visitors August TBD

# In Finland -

# They have Fair Traffic Laws

Traffic violation fines depend on how much you earn-In 2002 a man was fined 116,000 EUR (that's \$121,172.00 US)

– He had a yearly income of 7 million



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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. (Over 50 word copy will be edited to fit.)
- The deadline is the same as the date for newsletter copy: the 15th of each month.

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