

**CALENDAR SNAPSHOT****January**

- 6—Future Planning, Boardroom, 7:30 p.m.
- 9—Forest Management, 10 a.m., Pole Barn
- 12—Sisterhood, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 15—Newsletter Items Due
- 16—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., Boardroom, visitors at noon.
- 22—Soup and Games Night, Clubroom, 7:00 p.m.

February

- 5 —Winterfest 2011. Sun Lake 1-5 p.m., Clubroom 6:00 p.m.-1 a.m.
- 5 —Bar Committee meeting 6:30 pm Clubroom
- 20—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., Boardroom, visitors at noon.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Note: Not all events are listed on this and other DFCSA calendars. If you are planning an event and wish to check the availability of a specific facility on a certain date, please check with Karen Pype (248-926-6219).

Sisterhood Event: From Our House to Their House

The Sisterhood will be hosting Soup and Games Night, January 22, to benefit Hospitality House Food Pantry on Maple Rd.

Children's games will start at 7:00 p.m. Sisterhood members will serve crock pots of favorite soups.

The cost is \$5 per adult and \$3 for children for soup and bread, with all proceeds going to Hospitality House. If you can make a larger donation, that would be very welcome!

A euchre tournament will start at 8:00 p.m., and you can feel free to bring other games as well. In addition, a silent auction will be held. We hope to see everyone there!



The ice-cutting crew from a previous Winterfest.

Winterfest 2011

Our next Winterfest will be Saturday, February 5. Festivities will be held at the Sun Lake beach with Polar Dip'n, Ice Fish'n and more, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and in the Clubroom, with Chili and Entertainment from 6:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Buttons: \$5/adult, \$3/child, admission \$15/membership family. The sauna is extra. Winterfest still seems far away and there is plenty of time, but it's right around the corner! As of right now, I have only two people helping me. Buttons are being made, and the S'more Bar will be back again this year, but there may not be a lot otherwise if nobody else steps forward to help. We still need a chili master, plus people to coordinate the raffle prizes, other food and donations, as well as sellers and workers and much more! No one area needs much work, in advance or on the day—but I can't do it all. I know this is a busy time of year, but if everyone can put in a little time or tag-team something with a friend, this would help tremendously and make Winterfest a success. There's something for everyone to do. Put your work hours in early, or get a head start on them. Let's make it great!

—Jody Dernberger; 248-819-8964



Pikku Joulu, "Little Christmas"



Pikku Joulu, "Little Christmas," the children's Christmas party, was held on December 5. A potluck dinner was served, and the children enjoyed a visit from Santa Claus.



Everyone sang Christmas carols, accompanied by Bruce Foxworthy on the piano. Many thanks to the Recreation Committee for putting on this great function for the children.



FINN CAMP 2011 CALENDAR



The Finn Camp 2011 Calendar Copies of the 2011 calendar are still available for late holiday presents or upcoming family occasions. To order yours, email Tammie King at tammie@tammieking.com.

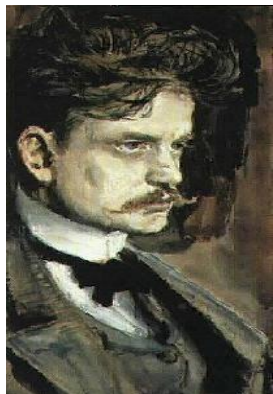
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Famous Finns from A to Z



Sibelius, Jean Julius Christian

Another in our occasional series of not too Finnickly looks at noteworthy Finns.

Sibelius, Jean Julius Christian (1865–1957). Sibelius's 1892 *Kullervo* symphony—one of his seven, including themes from the *Kalevala* epic—established him as the leading Finnish composer of his generation. But it was his 1899 tone poem *Finlandia* that has come down to us as his signature work. Influenced initially by Romantics like Tchaikovsky, Sibelius was heavily inspired by the Scandinavian landscape. In his later work, from World War I through his final major opus, the *Tapiola* symphony of 1925, he achieved an international reputation for classicism and a command of form. But despite his output, Sibelius was no workaholic—he seems to have had his own Finn Camp Clubroom. As David Kirby reports in *A Concise History of Finland*, Sibelius was “a well-known figure at one of Helsinki's most celebrated watering-holes. He is rumored to have risen from the table one evening to catch the night train to St. Petersburg to conduct a concert, returning two days later to find the same people sitting in exactly the same places.”

Think Spring Fling!

Save the date! Come to Finn Camp on Saturday, April 30, for a day of fun-filled activities! Spring Fling, sponsored by the Finn Camp Sisterhood, will include something for all ages:

- A Finn Camp Fun Walk begins at 10:00 a.m. (Preregistration required; details to come.)
- A Deluxe Brunch will be served from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Watch for menu details in upcoming newsletters!
- A Finnish Treasure and Flea Market will be set up in the Dance Hall from noon to 5:00 p.m. Make your reservations for a \$10 table! Crafters are wanted too. Start making crafts this winter and save up your treasures!
- Kids' games will be held throughout the day, sponsored by the Recreation Committee.
- A Kissing Booth will be run, in honor of William and Kate's Royal Wedding.
- A Michigan Microbrew Beer Tasting will occur from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Clubroom. Reservations only \$10 per person.

And to round out the night, come dance and see a great rock-and-roll band, Tenacious Red (www.tenaciousred.com), in our Dance Hall from 6:00 to 11:00 p.m.

Mark the date—April 30! More information to follow in future newsletters.



Forest Management



Chris Rentola and Eric Solin brave the winter chill to operate the wood splitter.



Denny Sennhenn dresses for the season and participates with the Forest Management workers.

Newsletters by Email

The Newsletter Committee wants to thank all who answered our appeal last month to save on costs by having members switch over from printed to electronic newsletter delivery.

For members still receiving the newsletter by regular mail and wishing to switch over to email, send an email to:

newsletter_editor@finncamp.org.

Write "Subscribe to Newsletter" in the subject line. Give your first and last names.

Second Annual Ystavanpäivä (Finnish Friends' Day) Food Drive

The second annual Hospitality House Food Pantry food drive will be held in conjunction with the Recreation Committee's Valentine's Day Breakfast on Sunday, February 13. Nonperishable food items and monetary donations may be dropped off in the Clubroom. When donating food products, please check the expiration date on the box or can: Expired items cannot be accepted. A \$1 donation will purchase one case of food for Hospitality House from the Gleaners Food Bank. Hospitality House serves the Walled Lake school district and a portion of Commerce Township. For information about their mission, visit their Web site at www.HospitalityHouseFoodPantry.org.

BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The Scholarship Committee is currently seeking applicants. Scholarship application forms are available at the beach, in the Clubroom and through Millie Packard: 248-554-9998 or millie@webcomachinetool.com.

One reminder: Camp sales and transfers have to be carried out with the consent of the board.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Directors

Sunday, January 16, 10:00 a.m., Boardroom, visitors at noon.

Future Planning Committee

Thursday, January 6, 7:30 p.m. in the Boardroom.

Forest Management Committee

Sunday, January 9. Meet at the pole barn, 10:00 a.m.



Sisterhood Committee

Wednesday, January 12, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom.

Bar Committee

Saturday, February 5, 6:30 p.m. Clubroom

Or mail request to:

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2524 Loon Lake Rd.
Wixom, MI 48393-1654

Or place request in mailbox in the Clubroom.

FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITORS

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Event Notices

Calendar items should include a brief description of the particular upcoming event or meeting and full contact information.

Copy Deadline: All items for inclusion in future newsletters must be received by the 15th day of the month preceding the date of the issue being prepared. Email copy to: newsletter_editor@finncamp.org.

Articles Wanted/Member Spotlight

Do you have a favorite memory of growing up in the Finn Camp you wish to share? Perhaps you have an interesting story of Finn Camp history.

Member spotlight articles are especially interesting. Please send a couple of paragraphs, preferably with a photograph, to newsletter_editor@finncamp.org. The committee is seeking fun and interesting stories from members to publish.



SERVICES OFFERED

Free “Services Offered” Section

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, we will be listing these in upcoming newsletters. All you have to do is provide—via your business card or information you supply by mail or email to the newsletter editor (see “Newsletter Items,” above) 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.

FOR SALE

Cord of Firewood

\$50 for members and nonmembers. Delivery extra. Contact Mike Honka, Ph. 248-860-5109.

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