



DETROIT FINNISH COOPERATIVE SUMMER CAMP ASSOCIATION

FINN CAMP NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2016



Friday nights at Finn Camp's George Aho Memorial Field.

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 call Joni Sennhenn at 248-882-4626.

Spring Scramble Golf Outing

The annual men's spring classic golf outing is on Sunday, June 5, at the Riverbank Golf Course, 24095 Currie Rd., South Lyon (10 Mile and Currie). Registration starts at 8:00 a.m., with tee-offs at 9:00. See Dave Niemi for more details.

Annual Fishing Derby



JUNE 12, 2016

Sunday, June 12, could be your lucky day at our annual fishing derby. (This event is for members and their guests only; guests are responsible for any nonderby beach fees.) Registration (\$5, including lunch; donations accepted) starts at 9:00 a.m., the fishing begins at ten and lunch is about noon. Fish for hours, enjoy a freshly cooked fish-and-chip lunch—and maybe even win first prize in the fundraiser: a portable gas grill! Tickets are only \$1 each; see Kemmy, camp 153.—Kemmy Parisi

CALENDAR

June

- 2—Future Planning Committee meeting, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom
- 4— **Family Fun Game Night**, 7:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 5—**Spring Scramble** golf outing.
- 5—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon. **Camp inspections**
- 8—Sisu Sisters meeting, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom
- 12—**Fishing Derby**. Breakfast by Bar Committee, *Kenttä*, 8:00 a.m. to noon
- 18—**Juhannus**
- 22—Board meeting, 7:00 p.m. No visitors
- 25—Gilligan's Island/Luau party, 8:30 p.m., Dance Hall

July

- 13—Board meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- 31—Board meeting, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon

August

- 6–7—**Children's Weekend**
- 12–14—**Finn Fest**

Friday Night Grill: Open on game nights, 6:00 p.m.

Bar: Open Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. to close

Sauna Hours:

Wed., 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. (when volunteer available)

Sat., Sun., 3:00–9:00 p.m.

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

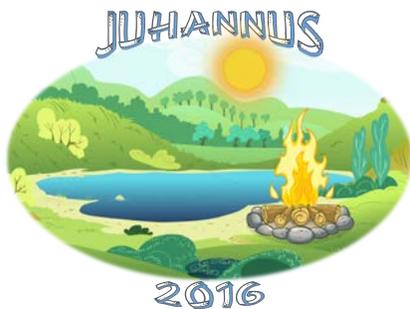
Family Fun Game Night

Family Fun Game Night will be held on June 4. A euchre tournament will begin at 7:30 p.m. Please bring any board or card games that you would like to play and share. And please bring a snack for the food table.

Bar Committee Breakfast

The Bar Committee is sponsoring a breakfast at the *Kenttä* on Sunday, June 12, from 8:00 a.m. to noon. We are raffling off a collapsible wagon with beach towels and a cooler bag. Second prize is a sauna card. Third prize is \$20 in bar credit. Tickets are being sold during bar hours and will be sold on the day of the breakfast. The drawing will be held at noon.

Juhannus



Our annual Juhannus celebration will be held on Saturday, June 18. Bring the family out early for games, dancing, food and prizes! Fun for all ages! Let's bring back the Finnish classic "carry your wife" (or significant other) race! We'll have a horseshoe tournament, boot toss, bag toss and other outdoor games while the kitchen is open. Feel free to bring your own games. Dancing with basic instruction to live traditional Finnish music will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Dance Hall. Please join us to learn and practice the Finnish classics, and show off your skills at the *kokko* (bonfire). It will be lit at 10:00 p.m. Get your groove on to DJ Kerry in the Dance Hall Saturday evening. The kitchen will be open Saturday from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. Sign-up sheets for kitchen work hours are at the beach. Juhannus buttons for grounds admission are \$5 for adults; children 18 and under are free. We will have door prizes, raffle prizes and a 50/50 drawing. The drawings will be that day at 8:30 p.m. in the Dance Hall. All proceeds go to the Juhannus Committee. Many hours of work are needed to make this event a success. Contact Amber Martin (248-770-9994) to donate prizes or to schedule work hours. We now need someone to run the horseshoe tournament. Stay tuned for email updates!

Camps for Sale

Nyt on oikea aika ostaa leiri.
Now is the time to buy a camp.

Camp 80, West Side

Built in 2006.

Refrigerator, furniture, new locks. Asking \$5,000. Call Carol Wingert:

248-568-1960



Camp 106, west side

New roof, many extras

Call Tom:

586-770-2156



Gilligan's Island / Luau Party

The Bar Committee is sponsoring a Gilligan's Island/luau party on Saturday, June 25. Put on your best island gear, or dress like your favorite Gilligan's island character. We'll give prizes for the best dressed, and have refreshments and live music, by Moonshine Stew, who played at the last Wine Tasting. There will be a \$5 cover charge. Come out and help the Bar Committee create some island fever! The fun begins at 8:30 in the Dance Hall.

Opportunity for Camp Pest Control

MRK Pest Control will be out at the camps on Saturday, June 11, at noon. They will be available to spray camps for ants and bugs. The spray is EPA approved and is okay for pets and children. The company is charging \$50 per camp and will spray the inside and outside of the camp. If you are interested, please contact Kevin Homola at 248-342-5691. Payment is due at the time the camp is sprayed. It can be paid by cash or check made out to MRK Pest Control.

Honors Students

Finn Camp would like to commend all its young people who made the Honor Roll in their schools this year.

At Walled Lake Central, Raelyn Aro earned recognition on the school's honor roll but also in the National Honor Society, was on the Oakland Community College dean's list and won an Apple Award.

Kristine Barie, who has been on the honor roll all through her middle and high school years (3.5 GPA or higher for four years in high school), is graduating with high honors from Lakeland High in June.

Jennifer Barrett reports that daughter Caroline made the Adrian College dean's list as a sophomore and son Sam made the junior honor roll at Walled Lake Central.

New Member Profile: Deidra Larsen



Finn Camp welcomes new member Deidra Larsen. Deidra joined in April and owns camp 104. She grew up in Troy

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.

Need a Seamstress?

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Cords of Firewood for Sale

\$50 for members, \$60 nonmembers.

Delivery extra.

Contact Mike Honka,
ph. 248-860-5109

and graduated from Troy High. Deidra currently lives in Ferndale. She has a large cat named Tucker, who weighs 20 pounds and loves to eat. Deidra attended Northwood University and earned a dual degree in Advertising / Marketing & Management. She graduated in 2010. She loves to attend concerts and is on a co-ed softball rec team. Deidra is employed at Honors, Inc., an awards and promotion merchandise company in Royal Oak. She is in charge of AP/AR and manages sales, production and client services. Her relatives in camp country include her aunt Denise and uncle Mike Niemasz and cousins Mark and Sue Niemasz. Past family members have included her grandfather and grandmother Crosswell. Kempainen was Deidra's grandmother's maiden name. Her mother, Melanie, likes to spend time at her cottage and helped Deidra set up her camp. Welcome, Deidra!

More Lore: Finland “the worst country in the European Union to Eat, Drink, Smoke”

A London-based think tank called the Institute of Economic Affairs has issued a report on how the various European Union countries fare in terms of taxes on such basics as food, drink, and tobacco and vaping. As reported in the May *Finnish American Reporter*, the Institute says that Finland “has the EU’s highest beer tax, the second highest spirits tax, and the third highest wine duty.” Furthermore, “It is one of only two EU countries to have a state monopoly on alcohol sales, and discount promotions such as happy hours are banned altogether.”

The government’s goal would seem to be better health and higher life expectancy. But, according to the report, “Countries with heavy regulation of alcohol do not have lower rates of drinking, and countries with heavy regulation of tobacco do not have lower rates of smoking.”

Attention, All Finn Camp members: Trash Rules

Dumpsters are for member use only!

Do not put in large or long items that may wedge or jam the dumpster when it is being tipped into the truck!

No major dumping on festival weekends.

No overfilling.

No furniture, appliances, 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 the roadside near the tractor garage on Tuesdays for Wednesday pickup.

Construction materials can be placed in the dumpster by the pole barn.

No dumping of leftover concrete on Finn Camp property. There is a concrete recycling plant on 12 Mile Rd. east of Beck Rd.

Lakes Area Bait Shop

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Supplies for Fishing,
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2600 Benstein Rd.,
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Suppliers to the Finn Camp Fishing
Derby



Shop the Finn Camp Store, in the Clubroom, whatever the season! We have t-shirts, hats, hoodies, koozies, and Finnish CDs. For access to the store during off hours, call Patti Leppi, at 248-921-1432, or email her at Store@finncamp.org.

BOARD NOTES AND REMINDERS

The Board would like to welcome members Cory Sturr (rejoining), Rosemary McMahon and daughter Alaiyah and Sherry McKeever, her husband, John, and children Mackenzie, Olivia and Owen.

Camp inspections will take place Sunday, June 5. Please make sure your leaves are raked and removed and your camp area is clean and tidy. All camps must display their camp number so that it is visible from the nearest road.

Parking can be an issue in camp country. Please be courteous to other members and have guests park in designated areas. On the west side, down by the restrooms, and on the east side guests can park at the Clubroom and walk over.

Remember that animals must be on leashes except in designated areas. See Blue Book rule 203.1.3.

No open ground fires are permitted.

If you notice any dangerous trees or limbs on the property, please contact the board.

The sauna and beach will close at 7:00 p.m. on June 18 for Juhannus.

The Finn Camp membership form can be found at www.finncamp.org at the top, right corner of page 1.

The camp social director is Joni Sennhenn. Please contact her at 248-882-4626 if you would like to make a reservation for the beach and sauna area, the *Kentta*, Dance Hall or Clubroom.

The camp reservation agent is Cindi Maddick. Please contact Cindi at 248.303.7337 if you are renting or loaning out your camp to a nonmember. Nonmembers whose stay exceeds three consecutive days and two consecutive nights in a 30-day period without a member present, or exceeds 10 days and 9 nights in a 30-day period with a member present, must pay a rental fee of \$50 per week.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Directors

Sunday, June 5, 10:00 a.m., visitors at noon

Monday, June 22, 7:00 p.m., no visitors

Future Planning Committee

Thursday, June 2, 7:30 p.m., Boardroom

Sisu Sisters

Wednesday, June 8, 6:30 p.m., Clubroom

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