



FCA News

FOR MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH CENTER ASSOCIATION

September 2007

NOTICE

The new deadline for newsletter articles is the 5th of the month.

Please submit electronic copy if possible.

Thanks,
Newsletter Staff

FINNISH CONSUL RECEPTION

You are invited to a reception on Sunday, October 7 from 2 – 5pm to greet Paul Potti, the newly appointed Finnish Consul for Southeastern Michigan.

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OVER ON FINN DRIVE

Last week I came back from FinnFest 2007 in Ashtabula, Ohio. I had the opportunity to visit the newly constructed Finnish Museum in Ashtabula. The Finns in that area have built a new building, using log cabin construction design which makes it unique. The structure is built on the original site of the multi-story building which was once known as Finn Hall and also was the home of the local Temperance Society in its historical past. They have on display many collected artifacts and pictures of this section which was known as Old Finn Town in this section of Ashtabula. Just over in the next block is an old public sauna building known as The Finnish Steambath. Restoration of this building is also in their plans.

On my return trip to go west and back toward Michigan, I stopped at Fairport Harbor, Ohio which is near Painesville, Ohio. Another renovation project is going on, on High Street, the Finnish Hall at the Harbor. This is a two story brick building with lots of history being restored by the local Finnish Society. The membership of these Finnish American groups are quite small in size and yet they are impressive in accomplishments. The Finn Spirit has collected together at these clubs and it is fun to see what they are doing.

From this visit, I get the idea that American Finns are good at building and rebuilding. Just like our Finnish Center here in Farmington Hills, there is a sense of energy and desire for accomplishment and a sense of duty to be a part of the Finnish American heritage.

At Finnfest I attended a workshop session by Jouni Korkiasaari who is with the Institute of Migration in Turko, Finland. They have collected data about Finnish migration for the past one hundred years and have organized the data about where the Finnish people settled. The U.S. Census in 1990 and 2000 data was interesting. The 2000 Census there were only two choices for ancestry group. What is this person's ancestry or ethnic origin? The chart shows in Michigan 101,351 with Finnish Ancestry, which is 16.3 Percent of the Finnish Ancestry in the United States. For Minnesota the chart shows 99,388 which is 15.9 of Finnish Ancestry in the United States. The U.S.A. total is only 623,596 individuals of Finnish Ancestry in the United States.

The small number of Finnish Americans that are mixed in with the Michigan population gives us an indication of how special our younger generations are. If you have some Finnish Heritage in your family tree, you can be proud to be "A Finn" and be glad to be counted. The Finnish Center Association offers you opportunities to learn more about your heritage. Become a part of it.

Frank Gottberg Chairman

CALENDAR

WEEKLY EVENTS

Crafts

Monday's 10 to 2pm

Finnish American Singers

Monday's 7 to 9pm

Library

Open Monday's 9 to 2pm

NikkarinTalo

Monday's 9am

Study Group

Monday's 1 to 3pm

BI-WEEKLY EVENT

Blood Pressure Readings

2nd and 4th Monday

11 am to 2pm

NOTE DAY CHANGE

MONTHLY EVENTS

Gift Shop

2nd Monday 12:30pm

Stamp Club

Last Sunday of Month 2-4pm

Weavers

2nd Saturday of the month 9-12

Camera Club

next meeting Sept. 12, Noon

SEPTEMBER

- 5 Joint Board Mtg 6:30pm
- 7 Cultural Mtg 7-9
- 9 Brunch 11:30-1:30
Gen Mtg 2:30 Lounge
- 13 Informal Finnish
Conversation 11:30
- 14 Scand Bazaar Mtg 11:00
Buffet 5-7
- 21 Cultural Mtg 7-9
- 22 Pasty Bake
Reserve 734-340-4742
- 28 Buffet 5-7

OCTOBER

- 3 Reg Board Mtg 6:30
- 4 Cultural Mtg 7-9
- 6 Flea Market 10-3
- 7 Consul Reception 2-5
- 12 Buffet 5-7 pm
- 14 Brunch 11:30-1:30
- 19 Cultural Mtg 7-9
- 20 Auction & Silent Auction
10 to 2
- 21 Scholarship Awards 2:00

NOVEMBER

- 2 Cultural Mtg 7-9
- 4 Cultural Day 2-5
- 7 Veteran's Day
and Senior Luncheon
11:45
- Joint Board Mtg 6:30
- 6 Scandinavian Bazaar 9-3
- 10 Brunch 11:30-1:30
General Mtg 2:30
- 15 Pulla Bake
- 16 Buffet 5-7
Cultural Mtg 7-9

DECEMBER

- 1 Scandinavian Holiday
- 2 Finnish Independence Day
12-5
- 15 Children's Party
- 16 FASM Concert
- 19 Senior Luncheon
- 21 Buffet 5-7
- 31 New Years Eve
5pm and 9pm

COMPUTER CLASSES

An advanced computer course will be offered in October. The class will cover Microsoft Word.

Classes will meet once a week for 4 weeks. Each class will last 1.5 hours. The cost of the course is \$30.00 and will be limited to 6 students. Call the FCA to make your reservation.

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WOMEN'S CLUB

We of the FCA are planning to go to Schoolcraft College's Culinary Program's Lunch on Thursday, Sept. 20th at 11:30 a.m. If you would like to join us, please call Edith Raski at 248.437.1205 by Sept. 13th so that she can make the reservation.

Pulla-making resumes on Thurs., Sept. 27th at 10 a.m. We usually stay until 2 p.m. If you want to purchase Pulla/Nisu that day, you may pre-order by phone. You also may come to the Lounge at about 1:20 p.m. to get your loaves.

Ilene Maki Yanke

NOTES FROM THE SINGERS

The Ashtabula FinnFest was fun. We all felt that we did an excellent job at both concerts. We appreciate Director Hank Naasko's and Accompanist Bill Gramzow's willingness to go there with us. I saw FCA members there who were having a very good time. If you never attended a FinnFest, you really ought to plan on doing that at least once!

I expect that we will begin rehearsing the Monday after Labor Day at 7 p.m. If you want to be sure of that, please call me. Consider joining us, or ask a family member to come sing with us. We especially need altos, tenors, and basses. Let's keep our chorus strong!

Finnish-American Singers/FCA Pasty Sale

Profits of this sale are divided between the two above-mentioned groups. Workers from both areas are desired. Please call the FCA to tell them when you can help, on Friday evening, Sept. 21st and/or Sat., Sept. 22nd, beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing until about 2 p.m. You may help at whatever part of the day works for you. The Finnish-American Singers need their share to continue supporting themselves.

To order pasties, please call Dorothy at 248.476.1308. If necessary, please leave a message.

Paljon kiitoksia.

Ilene Yanke
Interim Publicity person

NEWSLETTER ON THE WEB

Receiving your newsletter online will save paper and money. Please see page 11 and tell us if you want to stop the mailed version of the newsletter. It is available on our website (www.finnishcenter.org)

Note, the web version of the newsletter is an Adobe Acrobat format file and requires the free reader program available from www.adobe.com.

If we do not hear from you, we will mail the newsletter to your home address.

FLEA MARKET

Save Oct. 6st for FCA's Fall Flea Market. Reserve your flea market tables now. Call the office for a reservation form.

PASTIES

The FCA needs more helpers to make pasties and to work in the kitchen. The required sanitation class takes approximately 30 minutes. Your time and assistance would really be appreciated. Call the office to sign up.

HELP WANTED

We are looking for an Assistant Manager/ Treasurer or one of each. Resume's must be submitted by October 1, 2007.

FINLAND TODAY

First, remember the story in 2002, about the body of a boy buried in a cemetery in Halifax, Nova Scotia, who died in the Titanic tragedy in 1912? At that time, the scientific evidence "proved" that the body was that of 13 month old Eino Viljami Panula of Finland.

Now, using DNA evidence, it is proved that the body of the boy is not Panula, but, actually the body of 19 month old Sidney Leslie Goodwin, from England.

The Finnish ISAF armed forces in Afghanistan have received major material reinforcements. Included in the supplies were 14 new armored personnel carriers.

The Finns are mainly involved in the rebuilding the Afghanistan infrastructure such as schools, utilities, roads, etc.

Nokia continues to steam roll the cell phone market. The company had a second quarter profit of \$3.2 billion, and a global market share of 38%. Nokia sold 101 million cell phones during the period.

In comparison, Nokia sold 23.9 million phones in Europe during the second period, while only 4.8 million in North America. On the other hand, Nokia holds a 56% share of the Middle East and African market.

One of the reasons for Nokia's success around the world is its product range. It offers 100 models of phones for the different regions of the world. Nokia's top-of-the-line model N95 has been a big success, while it offers low priced products in the developing countries.

From January to July, Finland's population grew by 9,550 to a total of 5,286,503. During that period, 29,500 babies were born, and 25,350 people died. Also during the period, 10,850 people move to Finland, and 5,500 people moved from Finland.

For information on Finland's population and other services click on: www.vrk.fi then on the upper right hand corner click on "In English".

One of the rarest seals in the world is the fresh water Saima ringed seal, which lives in the Saima Lake system of eastern Finland. There currently are about 270 Saima seals alive. The seals have shown a small steady increase since 1955 when the seal protection program began. But with the warmer winter, and the lack of ice and snow, the seals suffered a set back. The new born pups need frozen lake ice to rest on until they can swim and feed on their own.

Type 2 diabetes is the fastest growing disease in Finland.

There are over 250,000 people diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, and it is estimated that another same number have it, but haven't yet been diagnosed.

The Finnish defense and aerospace company, Patria, has received another large vehicle order.

The Croatian government has authorized the purchase of 84 Patria AMV 8x8 wheeled armored vehicles.

Patria Group also has received orders for the Patria AMV 8x8 from the governments of Poland, Slovenia, South Africa, and of course, Finland.

Did you know that the Nordic countries' largest shopping center is in Helsinki? The Itakeskus shopping center has 190 stores and 27 restaurants.

Marcus Gronholm drove his Ford Focus to his 4th straight Finland Rally Championship. It was also his seventh time in eight years in winning the Finnish rally. Also it was Gronholm's 29th world rally victory, and the third in a row this year. Gronholm completed the 360.34 km, 23 stage course, near Jyvaskyla in 2 hrs, 57 min, and 26.1 seconds. He edged his fellow Finn, Mika Hirvonen, also driving the Ford Focus, by 24.2 seconds.

For the Ford team, it was quite a success for the world premier of its new Ford Focus RS WRC race car, finishing 1—2. With the win, Gronholm extended his world championship point lead to 13 points over Sebastien Loeb of France.

Finns are still the World Sauna--Sitting Champions. The World Sauna--Sitting Championships were held in Heinola, about 80 miles north-east of Helsinki.

On the men's side, Timo Kaukonen won the championship for the third year in a row. He stayed in the 110C (230F) heat for 12 minutes and 26 seconds.

For the women, Leila Kulin endured the heat for 10 minutes and 31 seconds, almost two minutes longer than the second place competitor, another Finn.

And finally, the teacher was having a lousy day at school and was in a sarcastic mood, and finally asks the class, "If there are any idiots in the room, will they please stand up?" After a long silence, little Heikki rose to his feet.

"Now then mister, why do you consider yourself an idiot?", enquired the teacher with a sneer.

"Well, actually I don't", said Heikki, "but I hate to see you standing up there all by yourself."

Markku Ketola
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\$100 BOARD

Remember the \$100 Boards? They are on the wall leading into the Main Hall. Now is the time to fill the second board. For a donation of \$100 you will get a name on a plaque. The size of the plaque will only accommodate one name. Be sure to print your name the way you want it engraved.

There are a few places left on the \$500 Board, if you prefer.

FLEA MARKET

Have you sent your table reservation in? Some six and eight foot tables are still available. Call the office with your request **now** for a select spot.

FINNISH FACTS



At Tankavaara in northern Lapland there is a Gold Prospectors Museum and Gold Villagewhere you can actually pan for gold for a modest fee.



Some of the many performers at the FCA Jamboree 2007 .
Photos by Glenn Kujansuu

MEMORIAL FUND

When making a memorial donation, you may direct it toward a specific fund.

The funds available are: FCA General Fund, Library, Scholarship, Hoijakat Folk Dancers, Drama Club, Finn Weavers, Garden Club, Soittoniekat Folk Musicians and Finnish American Singers.

If a donation is undesignated it goes to the general fund for expenses of the Center.

The family of the deceased may direct undesignated donations toward a specific fund (up to one year after date of death).

Please make your check out to the Finnish Center Association and send donations to: Pearl Wanttaja, 28235 Townley, Madison Heights, MI 48071. Do not send cash through the mail. Deadline is the last day of every month.

You may also direct your donation toward the Elders' Housing but then your check must be made out to FCA Senior Housing Corp.

Please include full name (with middle initial), address, dates of death and birth of the deceased; also the name and address of the next of kin to whom the acknowledgement card is to be mailed.

If you know of a member, parent or child of a member who has passed away, please call me at 248-541-0054.

Thank you, Pearl Wanttaja, Chair

Since the last newsletter and up to August 8 donations to the Memorial Fund are as follows:

In memory of Esther Noye (7-14-07) of Chassell, a donation has been made by Eva Bessonen.

In memory of Jeffrey Taylor (7-17-07) of Rovaniemi, Finland, a donation has been made by his aunt Mamie Taylor.

In memory of FCA life member Alice Olson Leppanen (7-24-07) donations have been made by Maria Hill, Millie Harju, Kay Simo, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja, Helen Lampi, Mae Belmas, Toini Kesti, Norbert & Luise Leppanen and the FCA.

In memory of Edward Paulson (7-25-07) of Traverse City, donations have been made by Betty & Leonard Holmbo, Harold & Connie Fosness and the FCA. Edward was the son of members Ed & Anne Paulson.

In memory of Dorothy Lahti Kalk (7-27-07) of Schofield, WI, a donation has been made by her brother Robert & Nora Lahti.

In memory of FCA life member Anna Kulju (7-30-07) donations have been made by Pearl & Ray Wanttaja and the FCA. Anna was the sister of member John Kulju.

In memory of Shirley Grundy Alameddine (8-1-07) of Farmington Hills, donations have been made by her aunt Bertha Kayhko and her cousin Elaine & Joe Burcar.

In memory of FCA life member Earl Bessonen (7-22-94) a donation has been made by his wife Eva.

In memory of FCA life member Dorothy Johnson Anderson (6-19-07) a donation has been made by Lucille Niemi.

In memory of FCA life member Lila Wiitala Kristola (6-21-07) donations have been made by Edith Raski, Ruth Kaarlela, Donald & Dorothy Kristola and Lisa & Emily Galloway.

In memory of FCA life member Walter Mattila (5-29-07) a donation has been made by Betty & Leonard Holmbo.

In memory of FCA life member Wealthy Makila (8-12-01) a donation has been made by her husband Emil.

In memory of FCA member Wally Maki (7-10-97) a donation has been made by his wife Blanche.

In memory of FCA life member Erkki Koivunen (4-10-07) donations have been made by Betty & Leonard Holmbo and Harold & Connie Fosness.

In memory of FCA life members Lillian Ahonen (8-21-04) and Eino Ahonen (10-28-85) a donation has been made by Eva Bessonen.

In memory of FCA life member Mary Keranen Tiura (6-18-07) donations have been made by her daughter Barbara Tiura, Carole & John Goebel, Millie Harju and Harold & Connie Fosness.

The FCA has made a donation in memory of life member Raymond Maki (7-14-07).

GOING PLACES

TRIP NOTES

Please be sure to get your deposits in! We need 30 to 36 deposits at least 30 days prior to the trip or we lose the bus. If you leave your car at the FCA while on a trip, please park at the north end of the property. If you park near the main or lounge entrances you are using spaces needed for other functions.

FOR BORDER CROSSING: You must have two pieces of valid ID—EITHER a passport (current or expired) OR a certified birth certificate (not a photocopy) OR a Certificate of Citizenship. AND YOU MUST ALSO have a valid driver's license or government ID card with photo.

Point Edward Casino, Sarnia - 1 day, Thursday, September 27, \$17. Includes a \$10 incentive package. Be at FCA by 9:45 a.m. for 10 a.m. departure. Return about 6:15 p.m. Don't forget proper I.D.

Tree-Mendus Fruit & Tabor Hill Winery - 1 day, Wednesday, October 24, \$75. Includes lunch, narrated wagon tour and complimentary bag of apples. Your tour of the 450 acre working orchard is in a covered wagon with theater-type

seats - very comfortable. On our way home we will tour the Tabor Hill Winery and, of course, do some wine tasting, alcoholic and non-alcoholic. This should make a wonderful color tour! Be at FCA 7:15 am for 7:30 departure.

Nashville - 4 days beginning Monday, November 12, \$499. Includes one night enroute at Grand Victoria Casino in Rising Sun, Indiana. In Nashville we will stay at the Opryland Resort. Also included is a breakfast buffet, two dinners, show at the Ryman Auditorium, City Tour and lots more. Make your \$20 deposit ASAP as this trip is almost sold out.

"Every Christmas Story Ever Told" - 1 day, Sunday, December 9, \$79. Includes shopping time and lunch at Canterbury Village. Then on to Meadowbrook Theatre to see the slightly skewed, crazy versions of all your favorite Christmas stories. Be at FCA by 9:45 a.m. for 10 a.m. departure. Return about 5:30 p.m.

FINNISH LANGUAGE GROUP

On Thursday, September 13 at 11:00 am, anyone who speaks Finnish, is familiar with the language and wishes to become comfortable in every-day Finnish conversation, is invited to meet at the FCA. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the details of a program in which those who wish to enhance their spoken Finnish will have an opportunity to "hear" the language and to practice their own skills. At that time, the details of the undertaking will be worked out among those who come.

Please attend.

Questions? Phone Maria Hill
(248)478-9638

CULTURAL

Finnish culture is why the FCA was organized. We need to incorporate some more modern aspects of our culture. Looking for ideas.

We are going to start the planning of the *Kruunuhäät*, a turn of the century wedding. Check your newsletter for the meetings regarding this. We need a lot of participation.



The FCA Summer Sunday Open House attendance has been great. Both seniors and children have enjoyed their visit to the center and each others company

Photos by Glenn Kujansuu

SENIOR LUNCHEON

As there will not be waitresses, luncheon will be served buffet style. **Reservations are required.** Food is prepared for the amount of reservations we receive. If a reservation is not made, there is no guarantee you will be served.

Make your reservation with the office by 5 pm on the Friday preceding the luncheon.

Emcees are needed to present the prepared program, this is your chance to try your hand at something new. You might like it!!

GARDEN CLUB

September is a great time to spend in our gardens. It is a time for reflection before the signs of autumn remind us of the changes to come. Our bridge has taken shape and we are thinking of the area beyond. Perhaps an herb garden and a grove of trees will appear. Where should the gazebo be placed, in the front of the center or beyond the bridge? What are your ideas on the questions of garden development? Your input of ideas and assistance will make our gardens more beautiful.

We have maps for self-guided tours of Finlandia Gardens. These can be found just outside the front door. Take a stroll and view the gardens. Have you noticed the new garden bulletin board

near the lounge? You can find information about our garden club and what is planned for the months ahead.

We also list items we have for fundraising and plants that are available for exchange or sale.

We hope to see you in the gardens in the near future.

David Sharpe



Flowers in the Finlandia Gardens,
Photos by Glenn Kujansuu

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Pat's maiden name is 'Takala'
This to correct last months info

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