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FCA News



October 2011

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October 3, 4, 5, & 6 (particularly 9:00 pm -2:00 am)

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CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

In 2003, the Macomb Symphony Orchestra devoted an entire program showcasing Finnish music and heritage. Recently, Thom Cook, artistic director of the orchestra, approached me, proposing a similar program featuring Danish music. Since I am currently serving as the president of the Danish Lodge 227, I was quite pleased at the prospect.

You may be asking why I am writing in a Finnish Newsletter about a Danish concert. Read on to find the connection.

When told that I was also chairman of the Finnish Center, Thom said, "We need to invite the Finns to the concert as well." I reminded him of the Finnish American Singers and what good ambassadors they are for the FCA. He subsequently contacted FASM president Ilene Yanke and has arranged for several members of the group to perform at the October 14 concert afterglow.

The venue for this Danish musical program is the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts in Clinton Township, located at Garfield Road and M-59, on the campus of Macomb Community College. Tickets for the 8:00 p.m. concert are \$18. Seniors and students receive the discounted price of \$15. Call (586) 286-2222 to place your order.

I hope to see many of you at the concert. Come out and enjoy Danish music from the Macomb Symphony Orchestra and support the Finnish American Singers at the afterglow.

Cortland R. Book

Kantele Concert

Still celebrating our 45th anniversary, we will feature the Finlandia Foundation Performer of the Year. Wilho Saari, kantele master, performer, teacher and composer, will perform on **Sunday**, **October 2**, **2011** at 2:00 pm. Donation of \$10 at the door with refreshments after the performance and a chance to visit with Mr. Saari. Don't miss this opportunity to see a master perform on our national instrument.

If interested in a brief workshop call 248 474-6996.

Lois Makee, Cultural Committee



OCTOBER 2011

CALENDAR

WEEKLY EVENTS

Finnish American Singers Mondays 7 pm to 9 pm Library Open Mondays 9 am to 2 pm NikkarinTalo Mondays 9 am Finlandia Garden Club Mondays 9 am

MONTHLY EVENTS

Gift Shop—Meeting 2nd Monday 1 pm Card and Game Party 1st Wednesday 11 am-4 pm Finnish Conversation 1st Friday of the month 10 am Book Club Last Monday of month, 1 pm

SEPTEMBER

- 14 Pulla Baking 9:30 am
- 14 Danish Brotherhood 6:30 pm
- 16 Pasty Prep
- 17 Pasty Bake
- 21 101st Luncheon 11:00 am
- 24 Private Rental 6:00 pm
- 25 Open House 1-4:00 pm
- 26 Scholarship Committee 11:30 am
- 28 Senior Luncheon Noon
- 28 Danish Brotherhood 6:30 pm

OCTOBER

- 2 Kantela Concert 2:00 pm
- 3-6 Poker Nights
- 3 Pulla Baking 9:30 am
- 7-8 Flea Market 10:00 am-4 :00 pm
- 9 Finnish Breakfast Noon
- 10 Danish Brotherhood 6:30 pm
- 16 Tapani Concert 4:00 pm
- 19 101st 11:00 am
- 20 Private Rental 6:00 pm
- 21 Rental-FACD Pasty Prep
- 22 Rental-FACD Pasty Bake
- 23 Dr. Paul Lehto-Genealogy 2:00 pm
- 26 Senior Luncheon Noon
- 27 Danish Brotherhood 6:00 pm
- 30 Open House 1:00 pm

NOVEMBER

- 4-5 Pasty Prep & Bake
- 9 Danish Brotherhood 6:30 pm
- 10 Joint Board Meeting 6:30 pm
- 11 Pulla Baking 9:30 am
- 12 Scandinavian Bazaar 10 to 4

Save on your next pasty order

The next pasty bake is Saturday, September 17. Make your reservations by signing up on the sheet in the FCA lobby, by calling the Finnish Center, or by email at fca-pasties@comcast.net. All orders must be picked up on Saturday between 11:00 and 4:00.

The cost is \$5 each, but for orders of 10 or more, you can save 10%. Here is how: first, email your order and phone number to fca-pasties@comcast.net by 10:00 pm on Monday, September 12. To receive the discount you must pick up your order on Saturday.

Volunteers are always needed to help with the pasty bake. Simply sign up on the sheet in the lobby or contact Paul Rajala. (Pasty-making volunteers can pick up a free pasty on Saturday).

FINNISH LANGUAGE CLASSES SPRING 2012



Saturday morning Finnish language classes will resume in March 2012. Questions? Contact Katja Jablonski at (734) 717-9426 or katja.tuuli@gmail.com.

Attention: FCA Senior Housing reports are available in the FCA main office.

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GARDEN CLUB

We measure of the development of our Finlandia Gardens by the number and type of visitors. This year, besides the regulars (weddings, photographers, and drop-ins), there were many of the nonhuman variety - dragonflies, butterflies, and a number of praying mantises.

As autumn sets in, the trees are showing those colors that we anticipate all year. Seasonal decorations around the FCA add a festive touch. We hope that you will visit the Garden Club table at the FCA's fall flea market on October 7 and 8, where we will have a variety of our woodshop products as well as some unusual items for sale.

Anyone interested in renting a garden for next year can reserve now and be assured of having a plot. There are both raised garden boxes as well as inground boxes available. Contact Gayle Gullen at (734) 340-4742.

This year, a number of local businesses have supported our efforts. We thank them as well as all of you who have made contributions to our gardens.

David Sharpe

VIOLIN AND ORGAN CONCERT

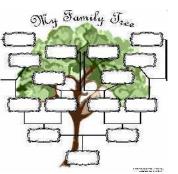
Tapani Yrjola from Finland and David Troiano from Grosse Pointe Park are returning for another concert at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. They collaborate annually in the United States and Canada. Tapani enjoys giving a concert here as he gets to speak Finnish.

Both of these performers studied at the University of Michigan, and earned many degrees at other institutions. Works they will be performing include Bach, Handel, Salonen and Sibelius.

The Finnish Center is co-sponsoring this concert with Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 35300 W. Eight Mile Road, on October 16 at 4:00 pm. Refreshments will be served after the performance, where you will have an opportunity to visit with these two talented musicians.

Lois Makee

GENEALOGY 101 AND 102



On April 10, the Finnish American Historical Society sponsored a fascinating presentation by Dr. Paul Lehto on how he has carried out his family genealogy study for over 20 years. His very useful workshop, Genealogy 101, provided many resources that people can use in their own family searches: a "Finnish-American Genealogy Cheat Sheet" published by the Finnish American Heritage Center; the Mormon Church microfilms; Finland's national archives, in Helsinki; federal and state census data; Michigan Technological University library archives; Finland's Institute of Migration; and Ellis Island immigrant records, among others.

If you missed his April workshop, you can still learn what you need to know to start on your family project. Set aside **Sunday, October 23**, at 2:00 pm in the Main Hall, for "Adventures in Discovery" Genealogy 102. Dr. Lehto will continue to share his successful strategies.

In addition, for those who wish to continue their family roots searches, Janie Eskuri has enthusiastically offered to work with them. You may contact her at (248) 380-6098 or ejanie@att.net.

By Louise Hartung, FAHS Secretary

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FINNISH AMERICAN SINGERS PERFORM AT COMERICA PARK

On Thursday, September 1, five members of the Finnish American Singers joined the Broe Rehabilitation Services chorus and civic choruses from Dearborn, Livonia, and Farmington to perform the national anthem at the start of the Detroit Tiger afternoon baseball game. About 40 voices in all sang spiritedly near home plate.

Tenor Gary Prevo made the arrangements and chauffeured the group to the ballpark. Other performers from our chorus were Charlotte Lytikainen, Delores Aebersold, and Bruce and Ilene Yanke.

Home runs by Magglio Ordonez and Austin Jackson were not enough to provide a Tiger victory, but still the combined choruses enjoyed this special day at Comerica Park.

CELEBRATE FINLAND'S INDEPENDENCE DAY

Sunday, December 4, 2011

Presenter: Jim Kurtti Director, Finnish American Heritage Center Editor, *Finnish American Reporter* Honorary Finnish Consul for the UP Finlandia University

"Tombstones to Tattoos: a 21st Century Finnish American Heritage Center"

You are invited to bring Finnish heritage items that you would like to donate to the FAHC.

Music by Soittoniekat/FinnFolk

Coffee table /desserts

Presented by: Finnish American Historical Society

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VOLUNTEERS AT THE FCA



Are you aware of the volunteers that keep our FCA functioning? At least one hundred people regularly give of their time and talent on behalf of our center. Many are Nordic, some are not. However, all of these "angels" keep us moving ahead.

Gardeners, pasty makers, receptionists, office workers, singers and musicians, librarians, bakers, on and on we can go. All those that cook and serve at our open houses, brunches, who serve on committees, who operate the gift shop and who maintain the facilities are volunteers. The more you visit the FCA the more you see their impact. Your elected leaders, board members and committee chairpersons give extra to make us the organization we are, a repository of Nordic culture.

If you are proud of our volunteers, be sure to tell them. Make some of your valuable time available to the FCA. The rewards are extraordinary.

Scandinavian Bazaar Saturday, November 12, 2011 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

The 2011 edition of the Scandinavian Bazaar will be a festive celebration of food, imports, music and more from Norway, Sweden, Finland, Iceland and Denmark.

See the beautiful imports from the FCA Gift Shop including the ever popular Iittala products, holiday candies, clothing and more with special bazaar <u>one day only</u> sales and gift packages. FCA Women's Club Bakers will be selling fresh pulla bread, tarts and pies. FCA Crafter's have an array of crafts as well as knitted and crocheted items. FCA Pasty Bakers will be selling delicious UP recipe pasties (frozen only). Finn Weavers from West Branch, Michigan brings a beautiful assortment of hand-made rugs and totes.

Taste freshly cooked waffle hearts with jam, meatballs, red cabbage, Norwegian imported foods, gifts and more from The Nordkap Lodge. The Norwegian Club of Detroit features fine hand-crafted wood items.

The Swedish Club features imports, fresh baked goods and hand-made Tomtes, while the Swedish Passport Shop from Norway, Michigan, brings an assortment of original Scandinavian-inspired tees, sweaters, embroidered clothing, imported linens, jewelry, books and more.

Be sure to stop by to see the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood of America for delicious freshly made Æbleskiver, a delightful traditional Danish pancake. These delicious pastries always sell out.

Lavender Fleece from Midland, Michigan, joins the festivities with wool products hand spun from Icelandic sheep, home grown lavender soaps and lotions, as well as beautiful hand-painted, hand-crafted pottery.

New participants for 2011 are the FCA's Elina Simonen, who will be selling her fresh rye bread and piirakka and Helen Denton, of Helen's Craft Shop featuring hand-stitched Old World Santa center pieces and crocheted items. You won't want to miss taking home some of these traditional items.

Hear the ethnic sounds surrounding the bazaar with live music from the Swedish Club, from FCA's own Soittoniekat, and more.

Santa will make a special appearance from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm.

Nancy Rajala and Denise Book, Co-Chairpersons

SUNSHINE LADY

Sending get-well cards, thinkingof-you cards and words-ofencouragement cards to FCA members.

This little known function has been around for many years, and can only be accomplished when I am notified that someone needs a card. Send or call your card requests to the attention of the "Sunshine Lady" at the FCA.

Thank you, Eunice Potti Gould



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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: FCA, 35200 West Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Donations received by the 5th of each month will be published in the next month's newsletter.

You may also direct your donation toward the Elders' Housing, but then your check <u>must</u> 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 the FCA at (248) 478-6939**.

In memory of <u>Calvin Niemi</u> (6/14/2011) donations were made by Mary and Elsie Johnson and Kay Simo.

In memory of <u>Robert Kaiponen</u> (8/10/2011) donations were made by Glenella Amos and Nina Ranta.

In memory or FCA life member <u>David Rajala (4/27/11)</u> donations were made by Pearl and Ray Wanttaja.

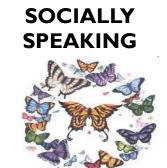
In memory of FCA life member <u>Dorothy Hanna Kettunen</u> (8/21/11) donations were made by Betty and Leonard Holmbo, Pearl and Ray Wanttaja.

In memory of FCA life member <u>Miriam Ahonen Kyllonen</u> (8/25/11) donations were made by Betty and Leonard Holmbo, Connis Fosness.

In memory of FCA life member <u>Cynthia (Cindy) Siira (3/25/11)</u> a donation has been made by Milda and Ralph Mattila.

In memory of <u>Genevieve Pelto</u> <u>Snearly</u> (5/31/11) a donation has been made by Milda and Ralph Mattila.

The FCA would like to also extend condolences to the family and friends of life members <u>Bertha Frusti Kauppila</u> (7/1/11), <u>Clifford Moening</u> (8/17/11), <u>Andrew Pelto</u> (8/26/11).



FINNISH BREAKFAST SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th Noon - 1:30 pm

This October event is in conjunction with the FCA Bakers and the monthly October brunch. Omena pannukakku (apple pancake), oatmeal casserole, piirakka, and pulla/ nisu will be featured. Finnish dessert, (perhaps rice pudding) as well as juices and coffee will be available. Come and enjoy these fine Finnish foods. Proceeds benefit the FCA.



The Veterans' Day/Senior Luncheon will be at noon on Wednesday, November 30th. Lila and Terry Ball will prepare the food.

Veterans: We are looking for program ideas. Please contact me as soon as possible.

Kiitos, Ilene Maki-Yanke (248) 887-3538

GOING PLACES

Point Edward Sarnia 1 day, Tuesday, September 27, 2011. \$22. Includes \$15 in slot play. Be at FCA at 8:30 am for 8:45 am departure. Return about 5:30 pm.

For border crossing; you will need proof of citizenship in one of the following forms:.

- 1. Valid passport.
- 2. Passport card or new enhanced driver's license.
- 3. Certificate of naturalization accompanied by a valid passport and valid U.S. re-entry permit.

Niagara Falls and Seneca Casino 2 days, October 15 & 16, 2011. \$135. Includes \$20 slot play and \$5 food voucher. This should be a beautiful color tour.

Branson 6 days, November 3-8, 2011, \$929. Includes 2 nights at Harrah's Casino Hotel in St. Louis and 3 nights in Branson. Three breakfasts and 3 dinners included, and \$10 cash back at Harrah's. Also included are 4 shows, a ride on the Showboat Branson Belle and several other interesting stops. See flyer for more details.

Cirque Dreams Holidaze at the Fox Theatre 1 day, Saturday, December 17, 2011, \$107. Lunch will be at Sinbad's Restaurant at 11:45 am. This is a fantastic holiday show by the renowned director Neil Goldberg. An international cast of over 30 artists costumed as holiday ornaments perform astonishing feats. Combo with Nardineers. Bus leaves the Nardin Park Methodist Church on 11 Mile Rd. at 10:45 am. Return about 5:30 pm. <u>Resevation deadline is November 19</u>. Reservations made after that will be based on availability.

Also note that since we are now combined with several groups you must get your deposits in early. It's a matter of "first come, first served"

If you park near the main or lounge entrances you are using spaces needed for other functions.

Pearl Wanttaja (248) 541-0054.



ANNUAL FALL FLEA MARKET

October 7th and 8th. 10 am to 4 pm Featuring art, crafts, concession area, bake sale, old tyme candy, glassware

and other slightly used items. Something for everyone.



BAKERS NEEDED

Fund raiser for the FCA Bakers and sellers are needed. Sign up in the FCA Lobby or call Luise Leppanen at (248) 474-3907

Also accepting clean, gently used items for the FCA Flea Market table. Proceeds go to FCA.

FINNISH AMERICAN SINGERS

The fall season is here now. The Finnish American Singers will begin practicing for their annual Christmas concert. Practice will begin on Monday, September 12th from 7-9 pm. If you enjoy singing, why not join our group? We are always seeking new voices. A coffee social follows our rehearsal.

The singers had an interesting summer with various activities. Some of the singers performed at the annual Aura Jamboree and had a enjoyable time. In July, Ilene and Bruce Yanke hosted a potluck at their home which was enjoyed by everyone.

Joining the FASM would be a great way to welcome the fall season.

Gerald Malstrom





FROM THE FCA LIBRARY



Finland has more collected proverbs than any other country. They are housed in the archives of the Finnish Literary Society in Helsinki. Although the use of proverbs has decreased in modern Finnish society, there are those who do not want them to be forgotten.

Proverbs were more common among the common people, who had one on the tip of the tongue for any occasion. We can learn much about a society from its proverbs: what they considered right and wrong, what behavior was acceptable, their atttitudes toward work, their superiors, and so much more.

Finnish proverbs seem to fall into categories of three different kinds: simile (vertaus), quotation (lainaus), proverb (sananlasku or sananparsi). A few examples of each follow. First, here are some examples of similes (statements that use "like" or "as").

Niin se kulkee kun täi tervassa. (He moves as slowly as a louse in tar.)

Hävis kun tuhka tuuleen. (Disappeared like ashes into the wind.)

On niin kuin olis yhden syönyt ja toista aikoo. (Looks like he's eaten one and intends to eat another. This refers to one who is irritable, moody, angry.)

Then, there are many that are in the form of quotations:

"Puhtaus on hyvä," sano suutari kun käänsi paitansa nurinpäin. ("Cleanliness is good," said the cobbler as he turned his shirt inside out!)

"Ei paljo puutukkaa, kun hevoosta ja kolomia kenkää", sanoo poika kun tiältä hevoosenkengän löyti. (South Ostrobothnian dialect) "I lack nothing but a horse and three more horse shoes", said the young lad when he found one horse shoe.

"Paholaesen keohkot" sano körttiäijä haitaria. (North Ostrobothnian dialect) "Devil's lungs" said the Pietist regarding an accordion. The illustration shows him destroying it. They regarded accordion music (used for accompanying dancing), as sinful.

Finally there is the category of which we would say "proverbially speaking", a saying, a byword:

Ensi lempi ja ensi lumi harvoin pysyvät. (The first snow and a first love are seldom permanent.)

Syötä vierasta sanoilla kunnes keitto kerkeävi. (Feed your guest with words until the soup (or meal) is ready.)

Ei vahinko tule kello kaulassa. (An accident doesn't come with bells on, or doesn't announce itself beforehand.)

Would you like to read more proverbs? We have the following books of proverbs in our library:

FINNISH PROVERBS. Translated by Inkeri Väänänen-Jensen. These are Finnish proverbs translated into English (does not include the Finnish). Included are tidbits of information about Finland, with illustrations.

ETELÄ-KARJALAN SANANPARSIA. These are proverbs gathered from southeastern Finland. They are divided into categories, such as proverbs about the seasons, the church and the devil, relatives, the rich vs. the poor, etc. They are in the dialect of that region.

SANANLASKUT. Contains 15,904 proverbs from the archives of the Finnish Literary Society. In Finnish, these are arranged alphabetically by topic.

VANHAN KANSAN SANANLASKUVIISAUS. Koonnut (gathered by) ja järjestänyt (arranged by) Matti Kuusi. Matti Kuusi (1914-1998) was a famous Finnish folklorist and collector of proverbs. These are also topically arranged.

YHESSÄ NYYTISSÄ. By Erkki Tanttu. One proverb per page in dialect, with illustration.

ASIASTA TOISEEN. By Erkki Tanttu. More of the same as above.

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45th Year Celebration In Kalevala Style

U.P. Emigration Let me tell you of the story Of the brave, sisuic Finnish Who came down from the big waters Of the caverns and the forests.

Searching for a better lifestyle. Traveling south between blue waters To the great rich, southern city. Finding work among the giants But a difficult existence.

Living close among their kinfolk On the pathway known as Wilson. Finding food and drink to warm them In the cold and bitter winters. Finding comfort in their friendship.

Bringing with them the sad stories Of their parents in the homeland. Of the pain and dislocations And their poverty and suffering. Creating differences among them.

As the children grew and prospered, In the savvy minds among them Began a great and noble venture. How to bridge the painful memories To a future of great promise.

We shall form a new beginning One to foster Finnish culture Music, art, and learned study, Without politics and rancor. So to unify our people.

We shall call this, "Finnish Center" But allow all to be members. Show the world our ancient culture, Our proud history and tradition. Making home for all the people.

So the work began in earnest, Finding land and raising money. Baking nisu and the pasties, Doing many tasks of workmen, Until all was finally finished.

Thus it was, this plan completed. After years of toil and effort. A great dream was finally realized, At the building dedication. A healing tribute to our parents.

By David Sharpe (Hyry)

FCA GIFT SHOP

Suomi fleece jackets are in, just in time to pick one up for the fall temperatures or a holiday gift. Various sizes available.

Festivo ball candles are in and available in several colors.

5% discount for active FCA members on all purchases of \$25 or more, including food.

One of a kind items for gift giving or a special treat for yourself.

Order Christmas sweatshirts: Hauskaa Joulua (Adult sizes only) Joulu Pukki (Youth & Adult sizes)

Stop in to view unadvertised specials.

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FCA BAKERS



Our new date for pulla/nisu baking will be the 2nd Wednesday of each month. However, in order to have fresh baked goods for the October 7 and 8 flea market, we will gather in the FCA kitchen on Wednesday, October 5.

Edith Raski has sent out information to our regulars about the baking dates, and we thank her sincerely for her faithfulness. This is her last time so we'll welcome anyone's volunteering to take over Edith's position.

If you've not baked with us before, please consider joining. Many willing hands are needed.

Ilene Maki Yanke (248) 887-3358

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FCA NEWS



Finland Today



First, the new \$271 million Helsinki Music Center opened its doors on the last day of August after construction began nearly a decade ago, but was delayed for various reasons. At the official opening ceremony, Finnish Prime Minister Jyrki Katainen said: "The Music Center lays a foundation for Finnish culture and art to grow and become stronger."

The center was dreamed up by Finnish architectural firm, LPR, while the main concert hall was designed by the famous Japanese acoustic designer, Yasuhisa Toyota. The nearly round concert hall seats 1,704 people and allows some of the audience to sit somewhat behind the orchestra. The Finnish Radio Symphony Orchestra played the works of Jean Sibelius and Igor Stravinski for inaugural program. Orchestra members said that the acoustics of the new hall were: "Stunning and allowed the orchestra to play with much greater subtlety and sensitivity."

The summer of 2011 was exceptionally warm in Finland. As a mater of fact, it was the 4th warmest since 1900. The number of "hot days", when the temperature goes above 25C (77F), was 46, which is eight more than normal. The highest temperature, 91F, in Finland during the summer was of all places in western Lapland in Ylitornio in June. You may remember that the all time high temperature in Finland was set last summer in Joensuu, 98.6F.

Finland has won the GameBook Cup, the largest nation to nation (Sweden v Finland) golf tournament in the world. People competed head to head in seven different categories, of which the Finns won 4, the Swedes won 2, and one ended in a tie. Approximately 3,000 rounds of golf were played during the tournament.

Finns dominated at the 86th International Six Days Enduro motorcycle races held at Kotka, Finland. All six Finnish men posted superb times as Team Finland won the World FIM Trophy, Spain was second, while the U.S. came in third.

At this year's Mobile Phone Throwing World Championships held in Savonlinna, Finland, both the men's and women's divisions were won by Finns. For the men, Oskari Heinonen won with a toss of 249 feet, while Netti Karvinen took the women's title with a throw of 157.5 feet.

And finally, Heikki, the Ol' Northwoods Sage says, "I'm Rich! I got: Silver in the Hair, Gold in the Teeth, Crystals in the Kidneys, Sugar in the Blood, Iron in the Arteries, Lead in the Butt, and...An inexhaustible supply of Natural Gas."

Markku Ketola marketola@yahoo.com



From The FCA Library (continued from page 8)

LASTUJA SIELTÄ JA TÄÄLTÄ/CHIPS FROM HERE AND THERE. By Margaret Lane. For about ten years the late Margaret Lane, an FCA member, wrote a very interesting column for the newsletter about proverbs and other interesting topics. Finally she was convinced to publish the collection in this small book. She collected proverbs from immigrants, not from books, as she was interested in proverbs that had crossed the ocean. These are in English. Very highly recommended!

All of the above books can be found in our library in the 398.9 Dewey Decimal section, or ask the library staff.

Lillian Lehto, Librarian

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