



Finnish Center Association

# FCA News

April 2016

FOR MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH CENTER ASSOCIATION

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### APRIL

- 01 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 03 Sunday Suomi Koulu 12 noon - 2 pm
- 03 Sunday Finnish Movie "Steam of Life" 2 pm
- 08 Friday Pasty Prep 10 am
- 09 Saturday Pasty Baking & Sale
- 09 Saturday Rental
- 10 Sunday Brunch 12 noon - 1:30 pm
- 10 Sunday Finnish Folk Dance Workshop 2 pm
- 11 Monday Rental
- 13 Wednesday Rentals
- 13 Wednesday FCA Board Meeting 6:30 pm
- 14 Thursday FCA Bakers
- 15 Friday Flea Market Set Up
- 15 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 16 Saturday Flea Market 10 am - 3 pm
- 17 Sunday Suomi Koulu 12 noon - 2 pm
- 20 Wednesday Rental
- 23 Saturday Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon  
12 noon - 4 pm
- 24 Sunday Open House 1 pm - 4 pm
- 27 Wednesday Monthly Luncheon 12 noon  
(Reserve by Monday April 25 price \$10 -  
\$11 at the door)
- 27 Wednesday Rental
- 30 Saturday Vappu Party 5 pm

### MAY

- 06 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 07 Saturday Mother's Day Brunch  
11 am - 1 pm (see page 4 for details)
- 11 Wednesday Rental
- 11 Wednesday FCA Joint Board Meeting  
6:30 pm
- 15 Sunday FASM Concert 3 pm
- 18 Wednesday Rental
- 20 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 22 Sunday Suomi Koulu 12 noon - 2 pm
- 22 Sunday FCA Scholarship Reception  
2 - 5 pm
- 25 Wednesday Rental
- 29 Sunday Rentals

#### Weekly Events

- Finnish American Singers  
Mondays 7 pm
- Library  
Open Monday 10 am-2 pm
- Nikkarin Talo  
Mondays 9 am
- Finlandia Garden Club  
Mondays 9 am

#### Monthly Events

- Finnish Conversation  
1st Friday of the month 10 am
- Sunday Brunch  
Second Sunday of the month  
12-1:30 pm
- Book Club  
Last Monday of the month 1 pm
- Luncheon  
Last Wednesday of the month Noon
- Open House  
Last Sunday of the month 1-4 pm



## CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

Spring is in the air. This winter has been very mild, no cross country skiing this winter! Therefore, my husband and I are heading to the Finnish Lapland for skiing and to experience the wonders of the wonderful fells of Lapland. We will be sure to share our experiences with our members during our monthly luncheons in the future.

We are gearing up for celebrations of our fiftieth year of operation. Quite a remarkable achievement. We are so proud of our founders who created our center that we later generations can reap the benefits of. It is our duty to keep the center going and maintain and improve it to the best of our capabilities. With Finnish sisu we can do that! We have wonderful volunteers working hard to keep things going. We need to keep our culture alive. Our beloved librarian, Lillian Lehto, who has been managing the library for many years wants to step down. We are forever grateful for her efforts in her work in the library and know that whoever is going to continue will have a hard act to follow! Thankfully, Ruth Ojala, her assistant has promised to fill in until we can find a qualified replacement for Lillian.

It has been very exciting to have Leena Mari Bowers as our new adult Finnish language teacher. The classes started in mid February with 12 students who signed up. It has been going very well and the semester will continue until the end of April and continue again in the fall. Students have been very enthusiastic and willing to learn the very difficult and challenging language. Young Finns have also had their bi-weekly classes with Maija, our teacher for the juniors. It is also time for the mothers and fathers to congregate at the center for socializing during the lessons. Our young children's group has also been getting together during the school days.

The center has been very busy with rentals during the first quarter. With the current pace, we will be in a wonderful position to do the necessary improvements to the facility. It will take a lot of volunteer hours to make all this happen. Once again, if you are willing to give a few hours of your time to the center, we would greatly appreciate it! Let us know by calling the center at (248) 478-6939. We will find something for you to do.

Again, thank you to all the tireless volunteers who have worked so hard to make all of our activities a reality. Together we can make all our dreams come true! Let's work together for a better Finnish Cultural Center.

Mia Lamminen  
Chairman



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## FROM THE LIBRARY



Did you know that one of the first woman mayors in the United States was a Finn? In 1921 Amy Kaukonen was elected mayor of Fairport Harbor, Ohio.



Amy Kaukonen

Amy arrived in Women's Medical College in September 1911 straight from high school. She was "the first Conneaut Finn kid to graduate from high school". She took some time off due to illness, but was in the 1915 graduating class of the medical school. She remained in Philadelphia to complete her residency at the Women's Hospital of Philadelphia, and then established a practice in Fairport Harbor, where half of the population of 4211 was Finnish.

Bootleg liquor and even murders were common in the town. Amy often tended to the victims of fights and saw murder victims. Women of the village were thoroughly disgusted with the men who had made a "complete failure of things", who brought in demon rum, and by moonshiners who made home-stilled whiskey. Hard-working Finns were made slaves to alcohol and evil women. The women of the village urged Amy to run for mayor and she made up her mind to do so in 1920.

Kaukonen waged an honest campaign and received 465 votes to 390 for her adversary, William Stange. Her victory was greatly helped by the passing of the 19th amendment in 1919, which gave women the vote.

Kaukonen's election was just the start of her job as mayor. The real work was to change the culture of "the damp spot on the lake", as Fairport was called in those days. Even before the election she was visited by a well-dressed gentleman who offered a "block" of one-hundred-dollar bills if she would quit the mayor's race. If she didn't quit immediately, she could still resign the day after she was elected and still keep the money. Amy, true to her honest Finnish background, steadfastly refused.

Amy truly had a fight on her hands. Reelected marshal J.H. Werbeach ignored bootlegger activities. Ninety percent of the soft drink establishments, pool halls, and hotels (saloons in disguise) openly sold bootleg whiskey. The new mayor submitted stories to the local papers describing the marshal's crooked policies and quite possibly "worried him to death". He died in 1923.

Amy appointed a new Marshall who worked with her; they revoked and refused to renew licenses, and many operators were sent to jail and fined heavily. Verbal threats were many and she was threatened with "a fire set to your house when there is a strong wind blowing!" President Harding heard of her threatened life and sent her two guard dogs!

Amy cleaned up the town. Reporters from all over the country wrote and told stories about the woman who changed the culture of a town.

Amy continued her medical practice but was also in great demand as speaker at anti-saloon league meetings. She married in the 1930's but never had any children. She died in 1984 at 93 years of age.

Lillian Lehto, Late Librarian

## CULTURAL COMMITTEE FUNDRAISER

Help the Cultural Committee raise funds toward celebrating FCA's 50 anniversary. There will be a number of events commemorating FCA, its founders, its building, and its members, but we have to raise money to do so.

Cultural Committee members will have a Finnish table at the annual flea market scheduled for April 16. We appeal to you for donations of items made in Finland. Do you have things you purchased in Finland that you no longer need or want? We will accept everything as long as it is made in Finland. These items should be produced and manufactured in Finland. Not Made in China.



Please bring your donations to the FCA front office and mark them for the Cultural Committee. Thank you very much for your generosity and thoughtfulness about our anniversary year.



**Mother's Day  
Brunch  
Saturday, May 7  
11 am - 1 pm**

This special Mother's Day Brunch will replace the May Monthly Luncheon. Contact the FCA for menu and to make reservations. Cost is \$8.



## FINNISH FILM SUNDAY, APRIL 3 at 2 pm STEAM OF LIFE

*Miesten vuoro*

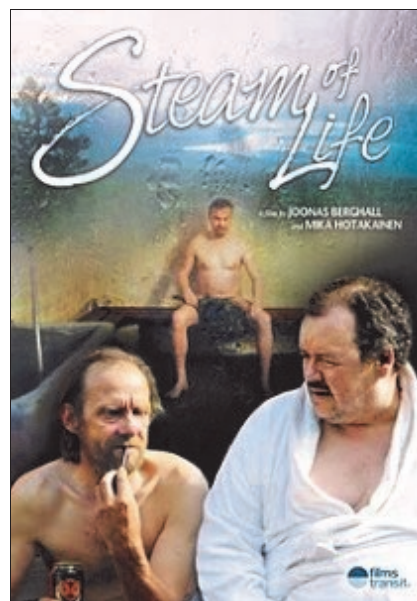
Directors: Joonas Berghäll & Mika Hotakainen  
2010

Saunas are an integral part of Finnish culture and a persistent symbol of Finnishness. In Finland there are some 2 million saunas, which means there is 1 sauna for each household. We go sauna when we are feeling under the weather; we invite guests to sauna; we hold parties in the sauna; some women prefer to give birth in the sauna; occasionally the deceased are prepared for burial in the sauna. We go to sauna not only to get really clean, but also to escape momentarily our busy world. Some described the affect of sauna as spiritual.

*Steam of Life* illustrates the importance of saunas in Finnish culture and in particular it focuses on one segment of society. This prize-winning documentary film is about men for whom the sauna becomes a confessional space. It is a widely believed stereotype that Finnish men cannot talk about themselves or their problems, but in this film they speak straight from the heart when in the sauna. They spill out their troubles to each other here where they cannot elsewhere.

Everyone should see this film. It is so very Finnish. Note: There are images of nude men, but this is about sauna after all.

There will not be a film showing in May, but the next film will be on June 12. Stay tuned.





## MEMORIALS

In memory of FCA life member **George Koskimaki** (2/6/16) donations have been made by Hannah Carlson, Neil Manley, Delores & Wilbert Rajala, Lois Makee, Marlene & Timo Ruuskanen, Mia & Ollie Lamminen, Henry Heatley, Brian Williams, Fritz Putkela, Joyce & Al Konkkel, Kay Simo, Charlotte Lytikainen, Maria Hill, Mary Cox, Martha & Paul Komives and Luise & Norbert Leppanen.

In memory of FCA life member **Ronald LaCourt** (1/24/16) donations have been made by Kay Simo and Elaine & James Weiland.

In memory of FCA life member **Ralph Heltunen** (10/5/15) a donation has been made by Delores & Wilbert Rajala.

In memory of FCA life member **Charles Blackwell** (9/19/15) a donation has been made by Delores & Wilbert Rajala.

In memory of FCA life member **Joyce Juntunen** (11/18/13) a donation has been made by Harold Juntunen.

In memory of FCA life member **Carl Taipalus** (1/30/08) a donation has been made by Michele Taipalus.

In memory of **Erma Manley** (3/15/06) a donation has been made by Neil Manley.

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, Happiness Fund, FinnFolk Musicians and Finnish American Singers. If a donation is undesignated, it goes to the General Fund for expenses of the Center.

Please make your check out to the Finnish Center Association and send donations to: **FCA, 35200 West Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335.**

**Also include all names of donors.** If the deceased is a non-member of the FCA please include city and state of residence.

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

Please include full name, address, and date of death of the deceased as well as the name and address of the next of kin to whom the acknowledgment card is to be mailed.



## GET WELL, THINKING OF YOU

Sending get-well cards, thinking-of-you cards and words-of-encouragement cards to FCA members.



Please notify me if you think someone might need warm and thoughtful wishes from the friends at the FCA. Send or call your card requests to the attention of the "Sunshine Lady" at the FCA.

Thank you,  
Eunice Potti Gould

## APRIL GIFT SHOP

My name is Mary O'Brien the new chairperson of the gift shop, and I am very anxious to get things going. We are very fortunate to have a cute little shop with authentic Finnish products. Margaret has done a wonderful job by providing unique items for you, and I hope to continue with these products and find a few more.

We have just received some new beautiful wood jewel necklaces and earrings. They come in various colors to complement your outfit. Stop in for your favorite items and maybe you'll find some new ones. If there are any new products that you want, please let me know. We will also place special orders.

I am also excited to announce that we will be painting and remodeling the gift shop and therefore will be closed from March 28 through April 11 to do so. The Finnish Center Flea Market is Saturday, April 16, and our Vappu Party is on Saturday, April 30. These would be a great days to stop by! I invite you to come in as I would love to meet you and have you see our new look!

While we are closed there will be limited supplies of some popular items in the Finnish Center front office. You can call or drop by to see if something you want is available in there.

Our gift shop hours will continue to be 10 am-4 pm on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday before and after our remodel.

I look forward to continuing to provide unique and wonderful Finnish products in our gift shop!

Mary

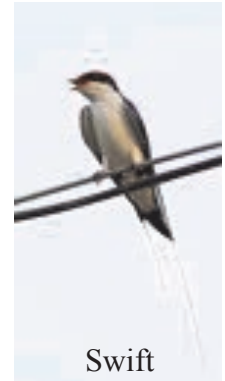


Remember - the Gift Shop will be closed March 28 through April 11. Thank you for your patience.

## APRIL IN THE GARDENS

April, the official start of spring in the gardens. With the exceptionally warm March all the bulbs were blooming early and the snow melted quickly. We were able to get out in the gardens and trim back grasses and perennial stalks. The early spring cleanup is beneficial because all the warm weather makes it difficult for us to keep up once everything starts growing.

Nesting birds have returned and their songs make the workdays much more enjoyable. Work breaks on the deck watching parents feed their fledglings is a treat. We never have to worry about mosquitos at the deck with the swifts taking care of any strays that dare hatch in the wetlands. We love that!



Swift

Due to conflicting schedules this year we won't be able to participate in the Flea Market but we hope to have items from the gardens, such as bird houses, for sale. We will also sell edgers removed from the gardens that we are eliminating. And don't forget we have vegetable gardens for rent.

This year in addition to consolidation and elimination of some of the gardens we plan to remove invasive plants including buckthorn, invasive grass, and wild grape.

If you see cars near the woodshop on Monday morning, please drop by and join us in our projects, to chat, or have a cup of coffee.



If you have any questions or comments, or items to donate, please contact me at (734) 546-5190 or [gaylegullen@hotmail.com](mailto:gaylegullen@hotmail.com)

Gayle Gullen  
Finlandia Garden Club President



## IT'S A GRAND NIGHT FOR SINGING!



The Finnish American Singers have been busy since January learning and practicing music for their spring concert which will be held at the FCA Sunday, May 15th at 3 pm. Our concert theme, "It's a Grand Night for Singing," includes traditional Finnish songs, Broadway show tunes, and other music possibly familiar, presented in a more contemplative, reflective style.

Many of the Singers that grew up singing songs from these musicals - *South Pacific*, *Annie Get Your Gun*, *State Fair*, *Oklahoma*, and *Carousel* were surprised when some of the songs we were practicing were unfamiliar to a few members of the group. If you have had children acting in those plays you probably have heard the music more than you would like to admit as they practice their parts or as you have attended multiple performances of the plays. If you enjoy dancing, many tunes will sound familiar as they are frequently played for that activity.

The program is balanced by three pieces that are beautiful and contemplative. The first is by George Frederick Handel titled *God Sent His Son into the World* based on the Bible verse of John 3:16. There are only two "voices" singing, the sopranos and tenors as one, and the altos and baritones/basses as another. The simplicity enables the listener to focus on the text, "God sent His Son that we might have eternal life." The second song by John Rutter, titled *For the Beauty of the Earth*, is similar to a hymn of the same name many of us have sung in church. It's always interesting to hear something familiar given a new twist by another composer or arranger. The third song is a spiritual woven of two songs: *Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley* and *Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen* arranged by a local musician well known for his amazing talents, Lowell Everson.

Please join the Finnish American Singers of Michigan for a grand "night" of singing at our concert on May 15th. After enjoying the variety of music, you will be able to enjoy a traditional Finnish coffee table with light fare of open sandwiches, baked treats, coffee, and punch. Tickets will be available for purchase for \$10 (Ages 12 and up) and for \$5.00 (Age 5-11) from chorus members or from the FCA office later this month. You also may buy a ticket at the door.

Submitted by Scribe, Katy Koskela

## SAVE ON YOUR NEXT PASTY ORDER

Our next pasty bake is Saturday, April 9. You can make your reservations by email at [FCA-pasties@comcast.net](mailto:FCA-pasties@comcast.net), by signing up on the sheet in the FCA lobby, or by calling the Finnish Center. To be sure of being filled, orders must be made by Monday, April 4.



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](mailto:FCA-pasties@comcast.net) by 10:00 p.m. on Monday, April 4. Then just pick up your order on Saturday, April 9, between 11:00 and 4:00.

Volunteers are always needed to help with the pasty bake. Simply sign up on the sheet in the lobby or contact Paul Rajala, [prajala@comcast.net](mailto:prajala@comcast.net). (Volunteers can pick up a free pasty on Saturday).



## VAPPU PARTY

CELEBRATION OF SPRING

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2016  
5 P.M. UNTIL MIDNIGHT

at  
**FINNISH CULTURAL CENTER**  
**35200 West Eight Mile Road**  
**Farmington Hills, MI**



FUN PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

ADMISSION \$15.00  
STUDENTS and SENIORS \$5.00  
CHILDREN FREE

### POTLUCK

A-M: BRING AN APPETIZER OR SALAD

N-Z: BRING DESERT

MAIN COURSE PROVIDED

CASH BAR

Bring the whole family

Bring a friend



If you are not a member of FCA yet, now is a good time to join, applications available at the Center.  
If you have questions you can call (248) 478-6939 or email: [finnishcenter@gmail.com](mailto:finnishcenter@gmail.com)

## SPRING FLEA MARKET

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

10 am - 3 pm

Come and find a gently used item that you didn't even know you needed. There will be bird houses from the Garden Club, Finnish items from the Cultural Committee, fun items from local vendors and more. Also a bake sale filled with irresistible items as well as frozen pasties. Bring a friend. Admission is free.





## FCA SENIOR HOUSING

We are committed to include information on our Senior Housing Corporation in the monthly newsletters. The main purpose of this is to help our members to better understand our 'concomitant' corporation. This means that we are associated and connected but not quite one and the same corporation. It's a complex relationship and a bit confusing.

All three housing entities (Tapiola I, Tapiola II and Freedom Square) are limited partnerships in which FCA Senior Housing is a General Partner. FCA is a limited partner in Tapiola I. FCA Senior Housing Corporation and Piper Realty are each, only, 1% General Partners in Freedom Square.

Additionally, all three corporations have or had limited partners which are private individuals or other legal entities who have invested in the partnerships and are enjoying returns on their investments - some have been bought out by FCA Senior Housing Corporation.

All three Limited Partnerships (Tapiola I, Tapiola II and Freedom Square) are for-profit entities while FCA Senior Housing Corporation is a non-profit, charitable, 501.C.3 corporation. It should be noted that FCA itself is not a charitable corporation but a non-profit 501.C.4.

The Tapiola I mortgage will be paid in full in June of this year; Tapiola II mortgage will be satisfied in 2019 and both entities will, then, be debt free. At the point when the MSHDA (Michigan State Housing Development Authority) mortgages are paid off, the limited partnerships shall be dissolved or reorganized. Additionally, all obligations and restrictions under the provisions of the MSHDA mortgages, for Tapiola I and II, will be eliminated.

Before proceeding with renovations of Tapiola I & II, we await results of a commercial real estate broker's analysis of values of our communities today (as they are), of projected values after renovation (relative to the investments) along with available options for a new mortgage. A report of the findings will be provided in the May newsletter.

Piper Management has been involved with our limited partnerships from the beginning. They have the management contract for all three corporations. The present Senior Housing Corporation board has developed a close working relationship with Piper Management and the rapport and report is positive. Piper Management continues to serve us responsibly with integrity, responsiveness and transparency.

We also acknowledge the diligence and good work of property managers, Laura Fultz at Tapiola I & II, and Therese Show, at Freedom Square, as they provide for our communities along with the well being of the residents.

Olli Lamminen





## FINLAND TODAY



First, how valuable is the Finnish passport? It's pretty valuable when you look at the number of countries that you can get into with just your passport and no visa. With a Finnish passport, you can enter 175 countries. Ahead of Finland is Sweden in second place, and in first place is Germany, with whose passport you can enter 177 countries. U.S. is in fourth place and Canada is in sixth place.

Here is a list of things in which Finland is number one in the world. The list was made for the 96th anniversary of Finland's independence, which was 3 years ago. Things change, but I'm sure Finland is still right up there on most of these 12 items.

1. The Least Corrupt Government in the world.
2. The Most Heavy Metal Bands per capita.
3. The Best Education System in the World.
4. The Country with the Heaviest Coffee Consumption in the World.
5. The Least Failed State in the World (The most stable country in the world).
6. Most Saunas per Capita.
7. The Best Country in the World to be a Mother.
8. The Country Drinking Most Milk per Capita.
9. Helsinki is the Most Livable City in the World.
10. Helsinki is the Most Honest City in the World.
11. Finland does the Best Mobile Games in the World.
12. The Country Borrowing the Most Books from Public Libraries per Capita.

To quote the Finnish General Adolf Ehrnrooth, "Finland is a good country. The best country for us Finns." In 2010, Newsweek ranked the countries of the world along a large number of criteria. They boldly declared one country to be the best in the world. That country was Finland.

At the 16th Annual Funky Awards ceremonies, rapper Paperi T, won The Artist of the Year and also the award for Debut Album. His album "Malarian Pelko" was featured as number one at the top of the official Finnish album charts. Singer Anna Puu together with rap artist Asa won the award for the Song of the Year, "Taulu". The Band of the Year was Gasellit, a Helsinki - based Rap Group.

It's probably too late for you to attend the annual Helsinki Sauna Day held in March of each year, but you can probably make reservations for next year. This event enables you to visit private saunas that are normally hidden from the public. All you need to do is to book a sauna session for you and your best buddies, grab a towel and cold beer, and sweat and have fun networking naked like former Finnish Presidents Urho Kekkonen and Martti Ahtisaari used to do.

And finally, it was a gorgeous spring evening at Hilma and Heikki's house on Shelter Bay, where Heikki and Matti were enjoying a cold beverage, when Hilma all of sudden burst into the room.

Hilma: Heikki, when you emptied the dishwasher you put the cheese grater, ice cream scoop and the potato smasher into the china cabinet! And who knows where you put the Iittala glassware! Remember, from now on, do me a favor, and do not empty the dishwasher!

Heikki: Got it!

Matti: Hey, Heikki, I see your "evil scheme" is working!

Heikki: Sssshh!



Thanks to my wife, Hilm----er, Hilikka.  
Markku Ketola, marketola@yahoo.com

## SUOMI KOULU

Our Finnish Center Suomi Koulu children celebrated the Finnish tradition of Virpominen on Sunday March 20. The children dressed up like *trulli*, or witches, and carried brightly-decorated willow branches. Our Suomi Koulu children marched around the Open House visitors in their costumes with their willow branches and recited the traditional chant that children in Finland would give.

*Virvon, varvon, tuoreeks terveeks, tulevaks vuodeks; vitsa sulle, palkka mulle!*  
I wave a twig, for a fresh and healthy year ahead; a twig for you, a reward for me!

During Palm Sunday in Finland, one can expect that little witches will appear at the front door, offering the blessings of good health and prosperity for the year ahead--for a small treat of course! Virpominen was originally an old Karelian Easter tradition, which later absorbed into the Finnish Easter Witch tradition: a Russian Orthodox Easter ritual in which willow twigs represent the palms laid down before Jesus on Palm Sunday; and a Swedish and Finnish tradition where children made fun of earlier fears that witches roamed around on Easter weekend.



## ADVERTISING RATES

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### FCA NEWS ADVERTISING RATES & SPECIFICATIONS

FCA News is published 11 times annually (June-July issue is combined) by and for members of Finnish Center Association. Circulation is about 1,000 of your fellow FCA members, and others, per issue.

**Deadline/payment for ad is the 5th of the month preceding publication.**

Column (ad) width is 2-1/4" for rates quoted below. Other sizes quoted on request.

Rates for a camera-ready, black & white ad, per three month period:

3 month rate ..... 1" ad - \$30.00.    1.5" ad - \$45.00    2" ad - \$60.00

Pay for full year ..... 1" ad - \$100.00.    1.5" ad - \$150.00    2" ad - \$200.00

Photos: B&W photo ads incur a one-time charge of \$25.00 payable at first insertion.

## READ THE FCA NEWSLETTER ONLINE

**FINNISH CENTER ASSOCIATION**



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Farmington, MI  
Permit NO 250

Current Resident or

**FCA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR \_\_\_\_ RENEWAL**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant/Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Are you of Finnish descent? \_\_\_\_\_

- Annual membership, single, one vote ..... \$50.00
- Annual membership, senior\* or youth\*, one vote ..... \$25.00
- \*Senior, over 65 years, youth under 30 years of age
- Annual membership, couple, two votes ..... \$100.00
- Annual membership, family, one vote ..... \$75.00
- Life membership, one vote ..... \$500.00
- Life membership, senior, one vote (see membership for details)

Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_  
Please make check payable to FCA and send to Finnish Center Association,  
Membership, 35200 W. Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335-5108  
Recommended by: \_\_\_\_\_

Visit us on “Finnish Center and Hall” Facebook page and “like” us to get the latest updates!



**FCA Senior Living**

One and two bedroom rentals  
Convenient, safe and affordable in highly desirable Farmington Hills, MI

Contact us at:  
Tapiola Village (248) 471-3802  
Freedom Square (248) 442-7250  
[www.fcaseniorhousing.org](http://www.fcaseniorhousing.org)



**THAYER-ROCK FUNERAL HOME**

33603 Grand River,  
Farmington, MI  
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Paul N. Potti, Director