



Finnish Center Association

# FCA News

March 2019

FOR MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH CENTER ASSOCIATION

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### MARCH

- 01 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 02 Rental
- 06 Wednesday "Let's Talk" 11 am
- 08 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 09 Rental
- 10 Sunday Finnish Lunch 1 pm  
Presentation on Finnish Studies by Jaana Laine 1:30 pm  
Sweden Travelogue by Austin Strobidge 2:30 pm
- 13 Wednesday FCA Board Meeting 6:30 pm
- 15 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 15 Friday St. Urho Celebration during buffet
- 17 Sunday Finnish Movie 2 pm
- 22 Pasty Prep 10 am
- 22 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 23 Saturday Pasty Bake & Sale 8 am - 12:00 pm
- 27 Wednesday Monthly Luncheon 12 noon
- 29 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm



### APRIL

- 03 Wednesday "Let's Talk" 11 am
- 05 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 05 Friday Flea Market 10 am - 4 pm
- 06 Saturday Flea Market 10 am - 3 pm
- 07 Sunday Iceland Travelogue 2 pm  
by Lynda Mitgutsch & Ed O'Brien
- 10 Rental
- 10 Wednesday FCA Joint Board Meeting 6:30 pm
- 12 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 13 Rental
- 16 Rental
- 18 Rental
- 19 Friday Night Buffet 5 - 8 pm
- 24 Wednesday Monthly Luncheon 12 noon  
Celebrating Easter at the luncheon
- 27 Saturday Vappu Party 5 pm



### SAVE THE DATES!

FinnFest USA in  
Metro Detroit  
Sept 20 - 22, 2019

Watch for upcoming details on unique  
tours, seminars, and workshops  
that will also be scheduled for  
Thurs, Sept 19 & Mon, Sept 23!

### Weekly Events

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

### Monthly Events

Let's Talk  
First Wednesday 11 am  
Book Club  
Last Monday of the month 1 pm  
Luncheon  
Last Wednesday of the month  
12 noon

**Reservations are recommended  
for all events.**

## CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

Our annual meeting was held Sunday February 17, 2019. Three board members were elected - they include Cynthia Haffey, Sherrill Tedford and Austin Strobridge. Sherrill has a long management career behind her and has been an active volunteer in the gift shop. Austin, a diligent volunteer at the center, is the youngest board member. And, this is Cynthia Haffey's second term. We are, as always, so appreciative to have willing and dedicated members to contribute time and diligence to the board and we welcome the new members. Two board members, Robert Waissi and Roger Wanttaja, having fulfilled two terms, have stepped down - we are thankful for their contributions and wish them well. Roger is continuing in his role as Chairman of the Building and Grounds, for which we are especially grateful.

The beginning of the year has been quiet at the Center, a few events had to be cancelled due to bad weather. Things are picking up as the days get longer. As usual, Friday Buffet is served every Friday during lent until the end of March and every other Friday after that. The monthly luncheons are ongoing and held on the last Wednesday of the month.

Plans for the FinnFest continue to be developed. Marianne Wargelin, president of FinnFest USA, reports the hiring of Carrie Christoph as an independent contractor who will provide administration for the festival. Carrie lives in Farmington Hills and has experience with non-profit community projects. Soile Anderson, a chef from Minneapolis has agreed to a Saturday evening for a "tasting menu" in a Finnish smorgasbord format of a cold and hot table followed by a dessert table. Our role is to find caterers who can work with her on this endeavor.

The Migration Institute from Finland has agreed to provide staff and programming for an all-day Genealogy Seminar to be held at the FCA on Thursday, September 19. More details will follow.

Hosting dance and concert events will become part of the next round of planning. Sara Pajunen, an independent contractor, has been engaged for the music production. We will hear from her regarding that and will report when we know more details.

As I have started, this, my last year as a trustee, I am stepping down as Chairman of the board of trustees. It has been a rewarding and challenging five years and I wish all the best to a new chairman and the Finnish Center. I am available to the center and to a new chairman in this transition period to provide understanding of the role and responsibilities going forward - as I have come to know them.

As always, if you have ideas or comments about our activities, please contact us. We would love to hear from you. Email: [finnishcenter@gmail.com](mailto:finnishcenter@gmail.com) or call at (248) 478-6939.

Mia Lamminen  
Chairman

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### Officers

Mia Lamminen, Chairman  
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Ilona Takakura, Treasurer  
Linda Poirier, Asst. Treasurer

### Board of Trustees

#### 1 Year

Mia Lamminen, James Lee,  
Mary O'Brien

#### 2 Year

Irene Lamanen, Linda Poirier,  
Ilona Takakura

#### 3 Year

Cynthia Haffey, Sherrill Tedford,  
Austin Strobridge

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#1 Mike Fadie  
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#3 Ilene Yanke

### Financial Review

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Roger Wanttaja

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#### *Tapiola Village*

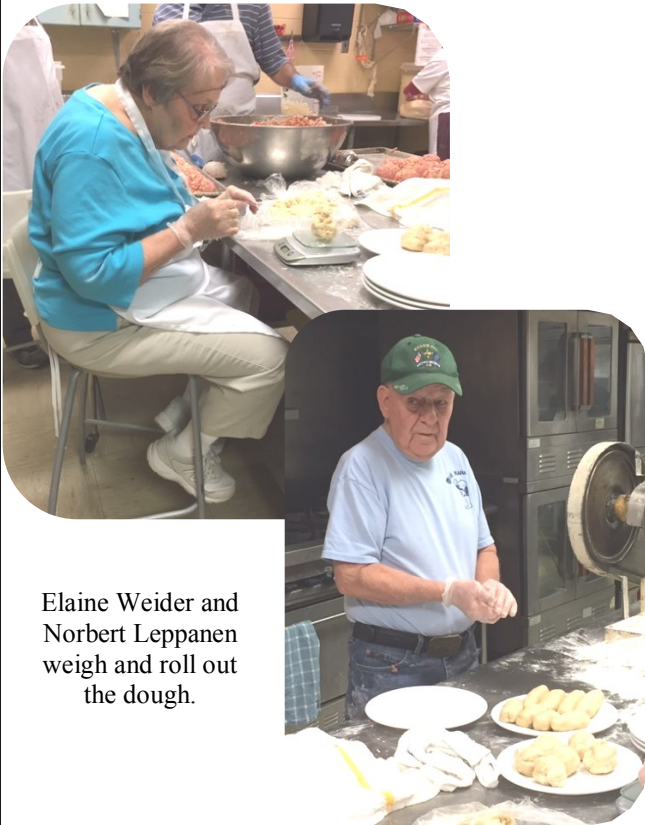
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#### *Freedom Square*

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## PASTY BAKING AT FCA

On February 1st a crew of people arrived at 10 am to peel and dice potatoes, carrots, onions and rutabaga in preparation of making 900 pasties. Saturday, February 2nd another crew came in to roll out dough, mix the meat and vegetables, assemble and bake.



Elaine Weider and Norbert Leppanen weigh and roll out the dough.



Mark Rikkonen takes baked pasties out of the oven.

## FAMILY WAR REMEMBERANCE VIDEO

Did you know that there are FCA members who were children, even babies, during the Winter War, Continuation War, and Lapland War? And that those children had children who are now also members of the Finnish Center? Were YOU one of those Finnish children, or are YOU an adult child of one of them? We are making a video about your, or your parents', experiences, and would like to interview you. Please contact the Finnish Center for more information or to be interviewed. It is so important to remember what happened then, and to share it with others.



Finnish grit against Russia

## FRIDAY NIGHT BUFFETS

Every Friday during Lent  
5 - 8 pm

March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29  
April 5, 12, 19



FinnFolk performs at all dinners.  
We hope you will join us.



## FROM THE LIBRARY



During the Middle Ages, when Finland was under Swedish rule, Finnish was only an oral language. Middle Low German was used for business, administration affairs were conducted in Swedish, and religious activities were conducted in Latin, for Finland was still Catholic. The common people spoke Finnish, which the Swedes considered an inferior language. In practice Finns lacked societal rights because they could not communicate in the official language of the country. It took years before the situation was remedied. The first written form of Finnish was created by Mikael Agricola, a Finnish bishop in the 16th century. He was a learned theologian and linguist. Besides being fluent in Finnish and Swedish, he knew Latin, German, Greek and Hebrew.

Mikael Olavinpoika (Mikael, son of Olaf) was born into a wealthy peasant family in Nyland in the village of Torsby in Pernäjä around 1510. Mikael was a bright boy; he was home-schooled by the vicar of the town. At age ten he was sent to Viipuri (Vyborg) to continue his studies. Here he assumed the surname “Agricola” based on his father’s status (“farmer”; “agriculture”). When the principal of the school, Johannes Erasmuksenpoika, moved to Turku to work for the bishop, he took Agricola, then age 18, with him. There Agricola became a scribe to the bishop, and a year later a chancellor. A couple of years later he was ordained a priest. In 1536 he was sent to study at the University of Wittenberg, where the Reformation had begun. He studied under Martin Luther who still worked there as a professor. He returned to Turku in 1539 after receiving his Master’s degree.

In Turku Agricola became the headmaster of the most important school in Finland, the Turku Cathedral School. He did not like his job, calling the students “untamed animals”. He quit the job in 1548. In 1554 he was consecrated as the bishop of Turku and began a reform of the Finnish church along Lutheran lines.

One of the principles of the Reformation was that everyone would be able to read and hear the Word of God in their own native language. Since Finnish had not developed as a written language, when Agricola endeavored to translate religious books into Finnish he had to develop an entire alphabet, spelling and quite a bit of vocabulary. Liturgical texts had to be created in Finnish for use by the clergy. The Bible had to be translated and the people gradually taught to read it.

During his time as headmaster, Agricola found time to translate and start publishing. His first work (1543) was *Abckirja* (ABC book), a primer for reading and a catechism. The first printing contained 16 pages. A second printing was released in 1551 with 24 pages. This was followed in 1544 by *Rucouskirja Bibliasta* (A Prayer Book from ye Bible). This book’s 900 pages included 643 prayers and, among other things, 29 hymns.

By far Agricola’s most important work was his translation of the New Testament (1548). It contains 718 pages and many illustrations. He translated at least seven other religious books. He intended to translate the entire Bible into Finnish, but due to lack of funds this was not possible.

In addition to their spiritual and administrative duties within the church, bishops also had secular responsibilities. They were involved in civic affairs and were speakers and negotiators. In 1554-1557 a war was fought with Russia over the control of an area on the border. The Swedish king sent a delegation of a hundred men, including Agricola, to negotiate the terms of peace. On the return trip Agricola became ill and died on April 9, 1557 in the village of Kyrönniemi. He was buried in Viipuri, most likely in the cathedral. The exact site of his grave has not been located. April 9 is also Elias Lönnrot’s birthday and it is celebrated in Finland as the day of the Finnish language.

The Mikael Agricola Church in Helsinki is named after Agricola. In 2007, 450 years after his death, Agricola was selected as the main motif for a commemorative coin, the Mikael Agricola Finnish language commemora-

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tive coin. This coin was issued to honor Agricola's life work as a contributor to the Protestant Reformation in Finland and as the father of the Finnish written language.

Lillian Lehto

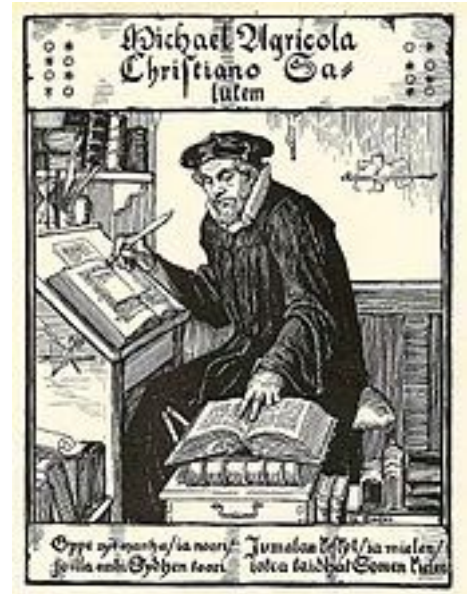
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The Mikael Agricola church  
in Helsinki



Mikael Agricola's first  
ABC book



Mikael Agricola, a painting  
by Albert Edelfelt



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If you have questions you can call (248) 478-6939 or email: [finnishcenter@gmail.com](mailto:finnishcenter@gmail.com)

# FINNFEST USA

## SEPT 19-22, 2019



**Detroit's landmark, "The Spirit of Detroit,"  
welcomes all Americans with a hearty  
"Tervetuloa!"**



Explore contemporary Finland and Finnish America this year in the Motor City. With over 35 years of experience creating festivals unlike any other in the USA, FinnFest USA is creating its annual pop-up town in greater Detroit. Come to share this one of a kind experience!

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## SOCIAL NEWS

It has been a slow start in getting things scheduled for the New Year. First there was snow, then extreme cold and now ice. I am sorry for the cancellations but sometimes we just can't fight Mother Nature.



The Let's Talk session will begin March 6 at 11 am. This will be a very special time where we can learn about our heritage thru conversations with others. It will be interesting hearing about how we all grew up in The Finnish Culture. Please join us for an enjoyable time with Irene Lamanen and Annikki Kurvi.



On Sunday, March 10 there will be a lunch at 1 pm followed by a Finnish Studies presentation by Jaana Laine at 1:30 pm. Austin Strobridge will give a Sweden Travelogue immediately following at 2:30 pm. Come and enjoy two interesting programs and lunch. Donations appreciated.

The Volunteer luncheon originally scheduled for March 13 has been postponed.



The monthly luncheon will be held on Wednesday, March 27 at noon. Chili will be served.



April events will begin with a tour of the magical land of Iceland. See the land where the 12 lads come from. The geysers and the glaciers are there for you to see. Lynda Mitgutsch and Ed O'Brien (Mary O'Brien's children) will provide stories and pictures. They will be here on Sunday, April 7 at 2 pm for your enjoyment.



The month will end with a luncheon on April 24 at noon celebrating Easter. Wear an Easter bonnet if you have one. We will try to show a few traditions of Easter that would be celebrated in Finland. Please come and enjoy the day.

Think Spring!  
Mary O'Brien

## FINNISH FILM

Tuntematon sotilas  
(Unknown Soldier)

Director: Aku Louhimies

March 17, Sunday, 2:00 pm

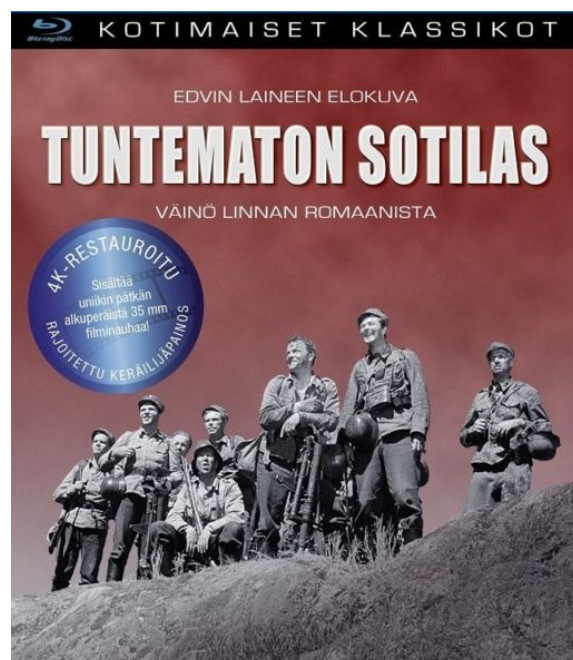
Admission free; donations appreciated.



This is a new film based on the spectacular book (*Tuntematon sotilas*, *The Unknown Soldier*, 1954) by Väinö Linna; a masterful story about a battalion in the Continuation War between Finland and the Soviet Union. Although this film won 4 Jussi awards and best actor, critics are deeply divided about the film.

According to some critics, Louhimies manages to emulate the realism of war with beautiful cinematography and special effects, but fails to capture Linna's characterization of the war, and makes "the battalion look like poster boys from a teen girl's wall" and creates characters as hollow as a "Suomi machine gun shell on the Russian border." Other critics, however, say the film is "gritty, forlorn, honest, and realistic, as well as a pacifist piece confronting less pleasant sides of Finnish history.

Linna's story should be required reading for every Finnish American. No film, including this one, can capture the genius of Linna's story. Because of the film's popularity in Finland, we offer it and look forward to discussion afterward.



## MEMORIALS

In memory of FCA life member **James Fetter** (1/31/19) a donation has been made by Carolyn & John Fetter.

In memory of FCA life member **Leonard Holmbo** (1/20/19) a donation has been made by Pearl Wanttaja.

In memory of FCA member **Nancy Sannar** (1/18/19) donations have been made by Pearl Wanttaja and Lois Makee.

In memory of FCA life member **James Weiland** (1/17/19) donations have been made by Lillian Niemi, Laura & Kenneth Paulson, Francine & Peter Krailo and Mary-Ann & Arne Hanninen.

The FCA would also like to extend condolences to the families and friends of:

FCA member **Betty Wallace** (2/11/19)  
 FCA life member **Laila Alholinna** (1/22/19)  
 FCA life member **Harry Sandberg** (12/25/14)



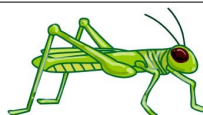
Please make your check out to the Finnish Center Association and send donations to: FCA, 35200 West Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. Donations received by the 5th of each month will be published in the next month's newsletter.

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, FinnFolk Musicians and Finnish American Singers.

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

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.



## ST. URHO DAY

Friday, March 15th

Get out your purple and green clothing to wear for our St. Urho's Fish Fry and party on Friday, March 15th beginning at 5 pm. There will be the usual St. Urho's hullu (craziness). FinnFolk will provide the music for the parade and for dancing later in the evening.

The program will start around 6:30 pm when we have some readings, crown the 2019 St. Urho, parade around following the newly crowned king, join in a sing-a-long and enjoy Grasshopper Cake.

Please come to enjoy the festivities.

Ilene Yanke

## GET FRESH PASTIES ON MARCH 23

We will be making pasties again on Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23. The cost is \$6.00 each, but for orders of 10 or more the cost is \$5.50.

Email customers have received advanced notification, and all other orders must be received by Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> by calling the FCA or signing up in the lobby.

We are always looking for help in making the pasties. Please contact me at [fca-pasties@comcast.net](mailto:fca-pasties@comcast.net) if you wish to volunteer on Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> or Saturday the 23<sup>rd</sup>. You will receive a complimentary pasty for your service.

**ALL ORDERS MUST BE PICKED UP ON SATURDAY, MARCH 23.**

Paul Rajala, pasty coordinator



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## MARCH IN THE GARDENS

March is here, can spring be far behind? This unusual winter weather has taken a toll on our gardening spirits but we will have to wait to see if it has taken a toll on our plants. At least we had snow cover before the frigid temperatures hit as those -30 wind chills would have destroyed many more plants had there not been some insulation with the snow. The strange cycling weather has been difficult to work around and has even been challenging for those of us who are also involved in making maple syrup over at our sister garden Tollgate Farms in Novi.



We had a good crew turnout in February for tool cleaning including one of our old gardeners in town from Florida, Marion Lewis. We cleaned our garden, as well as personal tools, and made plans for the new year including one outdoor wedding in June that is already booked.

If anyone has any extra time to spare, please drop by on Monday mornings starting around 8:30 or give David Sharpe a call at (248) 977-1337 for other days and times. We have jobs for all abilities and can accommodate those who wish to work in the woodshop on projects that are less garden intensive.

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

## GIFT SHOP

Exciting! Iittala has come out with a beautiful new sea blue line of dishes. It is absolutely stunning!



Please stop in to see the line of Aino Aalto, Kartio, and Kastehelmi as well. Think spring on these cold winter days. An Iittala shopping experience is sure to help.

Just arrived new candy and food products. Get your Marianne, Fazer candy bars and soon to arrive Mignon eggs for Easter. Stop in and stock up for your Easter candy supplies.



We are open until 8 pm on Friday Night Buffet nights and 10 am to 4 pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The gift shop is for you. Come in and ogle the wide arrangement of products.

Mary O'Brien

## FLEA MARKET

Friday, April 5  
10 am - 4 pm  
Saturday, April 6  
10 am - 3 pm



Treasures await you at every table. Glassware, jewelry, antiques, toys, dolls, furniture, bric-a-brac, vintage clothing and more. Don't forget to stop by the ever popular bake sale. A light lunch will also be available.

We hope to see you there.



## FINLAND TODAY

And first, why is the Finnish Forest Industries doing so well, even though people are using less paper and more emails and there is less of a demand for paper in offices? So where is the demand coming from? The good news is *less plastic* will be used for packaging and that will be replaced by biodegradable pulp base packaging and cardboard. As consumers are looking for biodegradable products made of fiber based materials, such as biodegradable pulp based shoes, pulp based textiles and pulp based hygiene products will become available. The biodegradable pulp is the future of Finnish forest Industries.

“VTT – had developed a device for processing problematic waste”. The Technical Research Centre (VTT, also a partner in a California nonprofit -THINK BEYOND PLASTIC) has been funded by “Business Finland”, a new process (to be commercialized in the future) a device that could revolutionize waste management. VTT’s scientist has developed a “cylindrical extruder” (modular mixer) that can recycle mixed textiles and plastics, plastics film and food waste into pellets. The Extruder is capable of melting, mixing and extruding materials. This would bring down the cost of recycling and stop the need to separate plastic, fibers and food. This innovation is believed to enhance sustainable economies.

Finland Consular services is in high demand because Finns are planning to travel more in 2019, creating the need to process visas and passports. In 2018 approximately 241,000 Finns had registered and had submitted their travel plans details to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs. The Ministry will give instructions, advice and help, to Finnish citizens in Foreign Countries. The Ministry has a website that has a lot of information such as: travel advice, security issues and bulletins from 150 foreign countries.

Yle, reported that a Finnish stamp named “Calm and Tranquil” had won first prize in the “Best Stamps Award” in Spain. Stiina Hovi designed the stamp that represented a summer scene in Turku archipelago. The same stamp had won the most beautiful stamp chosen by the Finns in 2017.

The Scottish music industry event “Showcase Scotland” has chosen Finland to partner in the upcoming festival in 2020. It is organized in Glasgow Scotland and it is a Folk, Celtic music festival. This event will bring 2000 + musicians for an 18-day festival with some 300 concerts. Because of Finland’s vibrant folk music traditions and rich diverse music history this is a great partnership.

Ville Virtanen known as “*Darude*”, is one of the most successful Finnish artists of our times. He started his music career in 1995 and released his first hit “Sandstorm” in 1999. Darude has been asked to represent Finland at the 2019 Eurovision song Contest in May. Darude said that he is honored and could not turn down the challenge. Darude is planning on releasing three new songs in February.

And Finally,

Matti asked his father, Pastori Heikki, if he can borrow the Old Ford Kara. “Only if you get a hair cut,” says Pastori Heikki. “Why?” Asks Matti. “Moses had long hair, so did Samson and Jesus.” “Joo, Joo,” replied Pastori Heikki. “But dear Matti, they always walked, so I think you can also walk to see Hilma”.

Mark Ketola,  
marketola@yahoo.com

**FinnFest USA 2019 PROGRAMMING:  
Three events to share with family and friends**

A Scandinavian buffet, a “tasting menu” of Finnish food specialties, many featured in “Celebrations to Remember,” a book written by master chef Soile Anderson and food editor Eleanor Ostman, will encourage many to visit the Finnish Center’s spacious banquet space and dance floor. Soile will instruct and supervise the caterers to prepare a buffet that proves why Anderson, born in Finland, became the leading Minnesota caterer, feeding kings, presidents (including Obama) and the Dali Lama. Two seatings, September 21, late Saturday afternoon and early evening, will include a copy of Soile’s book.

An all-day Finnish Genealogy seminar, Thursday, September 19, held at the Finnish Center, will feature Finland’s Migration Institute researchers sharing the latest Finnish perspectives on DNA. These same Finnish historians will also present the new family history research that is providing insights into the world of ordinary folks living in the Nordic region. This exciting research field along with a review of the publicly accessible Finnish data bases will make this seminar a “must-attend” for genealogists.

Two all-day opportunities to learn and practice Finnish are coming from the Salolampi Language Village, the renowned Finnish language immersion experience on the edge of a beautiful wooded lakefront outside Bemidji, MN. Recreating their spirited and fun language learning approaches, Salolampi instructors will use Finn Camp’s rustic setting as the backdrop for the one all-day Adult camp on Thursday, September 19 and the one all-day Children’s camp on Saturday, September 21. A shorter two-hour family fun opportunity will occur on Sunday, September 22.



All events are open to the public, but those who also register to attend FinnFest USA 2019 will be given discounted rates. The FinnFest USA 2019 website will provide details and registration: <https://finnfest.us>

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