



FCA News

FOR MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH CENTER ASSOCIATION

December 2009

THE FCA NEEDS YOUR HELP IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

A newsletter layout person is needed. Must be available on or about the 5th of each month. The skills needed are:

- Well versed in the use of a computer
- Be familiar with Microsoft's Publisher.
- Able to convert e-mail text to Word documents.
- Able to scan (OCR) and convert printed documents.

Also an editor is needed.

HELP - HELP - HELP

DID YOU KNOW?

A documentary film will soon be in production to celebrate the life and works of Finnish born architect, Eero Saarinen. Saarinen came to Michigan with his family and lived and worked at Cranbrook Academy in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Those of us who reside in the Detroit metropolitan area are privileged to have the opportunity to appreciate the genius of Eero Saarinen, often on a daily basis, due to the numerous projects that he designed here. Now, as a result of the documentary film, others will also have the opportunity to appreciate his works.

The Stan Margulies Film Company is in charge of the production of the film, entitled Eero Saarinen: An Architect's Memoir, in conjunction with WTTW, Chicago's premiere public television station.

Eero Saarinen's buildings symbolized modernism because of their form, innovative technology, scale, and lightness – and in some cases, triumph over gravity. In "Eero Saarinen: An Architect's Memoir", the goal is to create a documentary feature that will entertain and at the same time inform the public television audience.

Eero Saarinen designed many projects in Michigan, including the General Motors Technical Center. Other well known projects include the St. Louis Arch, the TWA Terminal (now Jet-Blue) at JFK Airport, Dulles Airport, the Yale Hockey Rink, and The Deere Company World Headquarters.

Although Eero Saarinen was born in Finland, I am proud that his Michigan connection will be highlighted in the film. The film will focus on Saarinen's early years of development at Cranbrook Academy in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan.

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As many public television viewers know, the select number of high-quality productions that are broadcast on public television stations rely on public support. Eero Saarinen: An Architect's Memoir promises to be one of those worthy of your support. As the 100th anniversary of the birth Eero Saarinen approaches, this documentary film deserves your support. You can help make this goal a reality by making a tax deductible contribution to WTTW, 5400 N St. Louis Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60625-4698.

Watch for more information about this great project- Eero Saarinen: An Architect's Memoir- scheduled to air in the spring of 2011.

Paul N. Potti, Honorary Consulate of Finland for Michigan

NOTICE:

There will be NO February newsletter due to scheduling problems.

CALENDAR

WEEKLY EVENTS

Finnish American Singers

Mondays 7 to 9 pm

Library

Open Mondays 9 to 2 pm

NikkarinTalo

Mondays 9 am

Finlandia Garden Club

Mondays 9:00 am

MONTHLY EVENTS

Gift Shop—Meeting

2nd Monday 1:00 pm

Card and Game Party

1st Wednesday 11-4 pm

Finnish Conversation

2nd Friday of the month 10 am

Book Club

Day of Fish Fry 3:30pm

DECEMBER

- 12 Swedish Club Lucia 2:00 pm-6:00 pm
 13 FASM Concert 3:00 pm
 15 Senior Danes 12 noon
 16 101st luncheon 11:00 am
 19 Nordic Fellows 12 noon
 Rental - wedding 6:00 pm
 20 FCA Children's Christmas Party 2:00 - 4:00 pm
 24 CLOSED - Christmas Eve
 25 CLOSED - Christmas Day
 26 CLOSED
 27 CLOSED
 31 New Year's Eve Party 5:00 pm - 8:00 p

JANUARY

- 1 CLOSED - New Year's Day
 2 CLOSED
 3 CLOSED
 10 New Member Welcome & Finnish Breakfast 12 Noon - 3:00 pm
 13 Danish Bros. Dinner 6:30 pm
 14 Board meeting 6:30 pm
 15 FCA Pasty Sale preparation Fish Fry 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 16 FCA Pasty Sale
 20 101st Luncheon 11:00 am
 27 Senior Luncheon 12 noon
 Danish Bros. Meeting 6:30 pm
 31 Open House 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

FEBRUARY

- 10 Danish Bros. Dinner 6:30 pm
 11 Joint Board meeting 6:30 pm
 13 Rental - SK Events 6:00 pm
 17 101st Luncheon 11:00 am
 19 Fish Fry 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 20 Rental - FACD Pasty Sale
 24 Pulla/Nisu bake 9:30 am - 3:00 pm
 Danish Bros. meeting 6:30 pm
 26 Fish Fry 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 28 Open House 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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*Belated Christmas
 And New Years Greeting*

Ruben & Grace Nayback

VOLUNTEERS ENLARGE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

By Louise Hartung, Chair

Eleven FCA members have volunteered to serve on the 2009-2010 Scholarship Committee. The wide representation of ages, occupations, educational backgrounds, and committee experience mirrors the FCA membership itself. Returning to the Committee are George Koskimaki, who is serving as Committee Treasurer, Gene Kramer, Marge Sorensen, and Louise Hartung, who is continuing as Committee Chair. New this year, but having served many years ago, are Dee and Fred Aebersold. And serving for the first time on the Committee are Margaret Laurila, Christine Jurgensen, Markku Ketola, Carl Aebersold, and Nancy Sannar. All are busy people, so the Finnish Center is fortunate that they have undertaken this important activity.

At our November 23rd meeting, the Committee identified educational programs that will qualify for scholarship assistance. Included are: college/university/technical post-high school education; the Salolampi summer Finnish language and culture program; the new Soiva music camp summer program, which is housed at Salolampi; study in Finland, through universities and Suomi Seura; and the Finnish language classes offered here at the Finnish Center. Previous or planned participation in Finnish language and culture activities, and volunteer work related to Finnish language and culture, will be of the highest importance in receiving scholarship assistance.

Would you, or someone in your family, like to apply for a scholarship? Here is how! Students who have been accepted to Salolampi, Soiva music camp, and the Suomi Seura program in Finland, will need to present a copy of their acceptance letter to the Committee as soon as they receive it.

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GARDEN CLUB

2009 was a great year for the Finlandia Garden Club. We have several new members and several new awards which were reasons to celebrate; and celebrate we did with a potluck luncheon on December 7th. The late season get together also kicked off planning for 2010. Our newest challenge for 2010 will be keeping deer out of the gardens. We have seen up to four deer at one time on the property, mainly in the back restored area, although hoof prints were found in the rain garden. In addition, funding is at an all time low with our budget in the red if all our outstanding receipts for holiday decorating are turned in for reimbursement.

We will be meeting in January to trim the crabapple trees, pack away the holiday decorations and perhaps working in the woodshop, but workdays will be dependent upon the weather. Meetings will be the second Monday of each month at 9am January through March, inside the FCA. For questions or comments please contact Gayle Gullen at gaylegullen@hotmail.com or 734-546-5190.

Regards,

Gayle Gullen
Garden Club Chairperson

FINLAND TODAY

First, let's talk about health in Finland. The Finnish Health Ministry has decided that everybody in Finland should get immunized for the swain-flu, and has ordered 5.3 million shots. Until now only school children and other high risk groups have received the shots. But during December, everybody under 25 years of age will get the flu shots. In January 2010, the rest of the people will receive the shots.

A new study of cell phone effects on humans has begun in Europe. There are 200,000 cell phone users in the study, with 100,000 from Finland taking part.

Here in the U.S., there has been lot of talk about health care and health care plans. In Finland, health care has been "set in stone" for sometime now. But, even in Finland, the economic crisis has changed some of the health care costs.

The ANNUAL bill for going to the doctor's office is increasing from \$38.40 to \$41.10. Like I said it's the annual bill, not each visit. But, if you make a doctor's appointment, and don't go, you will get "fined". The fine is increasing from \$47.25 to \$50.70.

In the year 2000, the European Union countries set goals for their schools for the next 10 years. The goals were: to improve students' math and technical skills, improve environmental studies, improve scores in basic education, increase the number of adults taking part in "life long learning."

Now ten years later, Finland is the only EU country to meet those goals!

According to the EU Commission on Education, "the other countries have failed miserably."

Finland's Olli Rehn will become the new European Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs. The Economic and Monetary Affairs office is one of the most important economic positions, with the Commissioner being responsible for economic policy and surveillance of the EU's 27 member state budgets.

What's the best selling music album of all time in Finland? It's the rock group, The Rasmus' album "Dead Letters", which came out in 2003 and sold over 1.5 million copies. Recently the group held its 15th anniversary concert in Helsinki. The concert was web-

cast live on the internet.

When I first read the article about Petri Kokko of Finland being named Google's Director of Global Development, the name sounded familiar. Kokko had been head of Google's Finnish operations before being appointed to his new job. But between 1985 and 2000, Kokko had been a professional ice skater. His wife Susanna Rahkamo and Kokko have won the European Ice Dancing Championship and also won the silver medal at the World Ice Dancing Championship.

Remember Olympic gold medal winner and world champion ski jumper, Matti Nykanen? Well, he got a cooking show on the internet. Go to www.sub.fi/matti. The show I saw, he was making "kala soppaa", or "fish soup."

And finally, Heikki, retired and living Florida, calls his son Matti in Michigan. "Listen Matti, I hate to ruin your day, but your mother and I are getting a divorce. Forty-five years of misery is enough. And I'm sick of talking about it, so call your sister and tell her the news."

Matti frantically calls his sister Aino and tells her what their father had said.

Aino calls her father and yells, "Don't do a thing, you and mother are not getting a divorce! Matti and I are flying there tomorrow!"

Heikki hangs up the phone and turns to his wife Hilma and says, "It worked, the kids are coming for a visit, and they are paying their own way!"

Markku Ketola , marketola@yahoo.com

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FINNISH AMERICAN SINGERS

Notes from the Singers for January. 2010

The Holidays are here now . Everyone is busy planning their activities. Music plays an important part for celebrating the Joyous Season. Why not plan to attend our FASM CONCERT on Sunday,December 13th at 3 PM. As usual, a delicious Coffee Social will follow our Concert. Also a Bake Sale is planned for the Event.

The Finnish American Singers have been contacted by Pastor Jukka Joensuu of Emmaus Lutheran Church, Burnaby, B.C., Canada regarding a Suomi Conference Choir Trip to Finland in August, 2010. Singers will be coming from various areas in the United States and Canada and will perform in several Churches. The Choir will be together for about eleven days and are welcoming new Singers to join them. If you would be interested in this Choir Trip to Finland in 2010, Please contact Ilene Yanke for further information.

Happy Holidays to All.
 Hyva Joulua ja Onnellista Uutta Vuotta!

Gerald Malstrom, Co-Publicity

WE NEED YOU!

Volunteers skilled in electrical, carpentry, and painting are needed to help maintain the Finnish Center.

Contact:

Frank Gottberg or
 Paul Rajala from the buildings and ground committee.

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: the FCA, 35200 West Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335. 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 the FCA at (248) 478-6939.**

NOTE: Effective immediately, all memorial donations MUST BE MAILED TO THE FINNISH CENTER by the last day of the month.

Donations to the Memorial Fund since the August newsletter are as follows:

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In memory of FCA life member Elisabeth "Elthea" Luoma (11-16-09) donations have been made by Catherine Somerville, John & Debbie Carbott, Arthur & Ruth Ruhl, and Eleanor Immen.

In memory of FCA life member Emil Makila (11-17-09) donations have been made by Lillian Heikkinen, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja, and Betty & Leonard Holmbo.

In memory of All Deceased Finnish Friends a donation has been made by Armas Suni..

In memory of Helen Lampi (5/ 4/2009) a donation has been made by Bob & Karen Tiura

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: The new requirements for proof of citizenship to cross the border to Canada are:

1. PASSPORT - Must be a valid passport.
2. PASSPORTCARD or the new PASSPORT DRIVERS LICENSE.
3. CERTIFICATE OF NATURALIZATION accompanied by a valid passport and valid US. Re-Entry Permit.

"Boeing-Boeing" at Meadow Brook Theatre - 1 day, Wednesday, January 27, \$72. This is a comedy about a Parisian Lothario that has three fiancées who are stewardesses on different airlines. This play received the 2008 Tony Award for Best Revival of a Play. Lunch will be at Kruse & Muer followed by the play at 2:00 pm. Be at FCA 10:45 am for 11:00 am departure. Return about 5:30 pm.

Point Edward Casino - Sarnia - 1 day, Tuesday, February 9, \$22. Slot play of \$20 included. Be at FCA 9:00 am for 9:15 departure. Return about 7:30pm. Don't forget proper I.D.

Seneca - Niagara Falls - 2 days, Wednesday-Thursday, April 28 & 29, \$135. Includes \$20 in slot play and a \$5 food voucher at Seneca. Day 2 will be a free day in Niagara Falls, with a later return time than on previous trips there. There will be a Duty Free stop unroute. Don't forget proper I.D.

Please call if you have questions.

Pearl Wanttaja 248-541-0054

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College/university/technical post-high school students will complete the newly revised application, which will be available in January on the FCA website and in the Finnish Center office.

Both young people and adults may apply for Finnish Center language class scholarships. Middle and high school students need to submit a statement of 100 words or less describing why they want to learn Finnish. Adults must submit a list of their volunteer work at the Finnish Center. These two submissions may either be sent to the Finnish Center, attention Louise Hartung, Scholarship Committee Chair; or e-mailed to her at lihartung@comcast.net Because the class will begin in March, please submit this as soon as possible.

In February we will begin our Scholarship Fund drive; and on behalf of our students, we thank those of you who have donated already to the Fund.

FROM THE FCA LIBRARY

We are all familiar with the blue cross on white background of the Finnish flag (or *Siniristilippu*), but many do not know the flag's origin, rules for when it is flown, or much else about it.

In the summer of 1862 Zacharias Topelius (Finnish writer, journalist and historian who lived 1818-1898) proposed the idea of a Finnish flag, which idea proved very popular. He suggested the colors blue and white as the Finnish national colors, to be used on the flag. Although there may have been some historical reason for these choices, they were essentially an expression of loyalty towards Russia, who ruled Finland at this time. (Antipathy toward Russia had not yet developed.) At that time those were the colors used by the Russian navy, which operated along the Finnish coastline. They flew a flag with a blue and white cross. Finnish sailing clubs received the right to use this flag. Currently the popular notion is that the blue represents Finland's blue skies and lakes, and the white represents her white snows. The cross on the Finnish flag is also known as the "Scandinavian cross", for in various colors it is used on the flags of the Scandinavian countries. The current flag, designed by Eero Snellman and Bruno Tuukkanen, was officially adopted as the flag of an independent Finland on May 29, 1918, shortly after Finland gained her independence from Russia. The colors were modified in 1920, and standardized in 1978.

There are two styles of the Finnish flag, the national and the state flag. The national one is the one with which we are most familiar. The state flag differs in that it has the coat-of-arms of the state in the spot where the two crosses intersect. The war or military flag is of the latter design, except that the right end is swallow-tailed. The proportions of the flag are 11:18, except the military flag, which is 11:19.

The coat-of-arms has quite a history of its own. It was granted at the burial of Gustav Vasa in 1560; it was also used as the official symbol of the Grand Duchy of Finland (during Russian rule 1806-1917). It shows a crowned golden-colored lion on a red background, brandishing a sword in its right paw, its left foot atop a saber. It is assumed that the lion comes from the House of Folkung; it is also present on the Swedish coat-of-arms. At that time, Sweden and Russia had been at constant war, and the curved Russian saber under the foot of the lion reflects the political situation at that time. It has often been assumed that the nine roses

around the lion represent the nine historical provinces of Finland, but the number of roses has varied during the course of Finnish history and has nothing to do with the provinces. The rose itself has become significant in its own right, but we won't go into that right now. (If you are curious, Google "Finland/order of the white rose").

Finnish law provides many regulations for use and treatment of the flag. The national flag may be used by all citizens, organizations and Finnish municipalities. The state flag is used by bodies of the Finnish national and provincial governments, by the cathedrals of the two national churches (Evangelical Lutheran and Orthodox), and non-naval vessels of the state. The swallow-tailed national flag is used by the Finnish Defense Forces. Finnish law forbids the use of the presidential standard or state flag without permission. Rules governing the treatment of the flag itself are similar to ours. Finns are also provided with guidelines for the size of the flagpole with relation to the size of the flag. (Have you not ever seen one of our flags which appears much too large or too small for the pole supporting it?) It is recommended that the width of the flag should equal 1/6 of the height of the pole. The SUOMEN ALMANAKKA (FINNISH ALMANAC) gives a chart where the height of the pole for each size is listed.

Finns do not fly their flag as profusely as we do. The almanac gives a list of the days on which the flag is to be flown (*liputuspäivät*). Although one may fly the flag on any day one chooses, it is generally done on these special days:

February 2, Runeberg Day
 February 28, Kalevala Day
 April 9, Michael Agricola Day
 April 27, Veterans' Day
 May 1, Vappu or May Day
 The 2nd Sunday in May, Mothers' Day
 June 4, Defense Forces Day
 Juhannus (Midsummer Day), the Saturday that falls between June 20 and 26
 October 10, Aleksis Kivi Day
 October 24, YK Day
 The 2nd Sunday in November, Fathers' Day
 November 6, Swedish Day
 December 6, Independence Day

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GIFT SHOP

New items are: Thimbleberry Jam & Jelly
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GIFT SHOP HOURS:

10 am - 4 pm Mondays, Wednesday, & Friday

10 am - 2 pm Saturdays

**Refer to the calendar for additional dates
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SOCIALLY SPEAKING

Our Veterans' Day Luncheon/Program was a success with perhaps 14 veterans in attendance. It was very special to see Tappy Kuivinen, age 97, enter, wearing his Navy uniform! I believe it was his daughter who brought him. George Koskimaki provided the film "Yoopers at War", an excellent, quite new film done by U.P. intellectuals with the "Yoopers" telling of their war experiences. Carl Aebersold helped in the set up of the film and the room. Miriam Kleven accompanied the singing of the songs of the day. Lila and Terry Ball, assisted by the McCues and Malstroms, prepared the very tasty meal. Kiitos to all!

FINNISH BREAKFAST

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10 FROM NOON-2:00 P.M.

There is a definite desire for more Finnish breakfasts, so we are adding this one. We know it's soon after the holidays, but this is the regular Brunch Sunday, and we hope for a good turn-out. As someone said, the FCA is the only local place where you can get a breakfast like this--- Viili, Puuro, Piirakka, and Pulla. We'll try to add Oven Pancake this time. All is priced ala carte. Regular Brunch workers, we need you again, as Womens' Club persons do mainly the baking and serving. Hope to see many of you at this special Brunch.

Kiitos,
Ilene Maki Yanke
Social

WOMEN'S CLUB BAKERS

Wed., Jan. 27 is the next Pulla/Nisu baking day, beginning at 9:45 a.m. and lasting until about 2:30 p.m. Come as is convenient and stay to help as long as needed. There is a definite market for our Pulla/Nisu as we've sold many, many loaves! Lunch is provided. We prefer having 6-7 helpers. Come as we have a pleasant time helping our members and the FCA. Members, please call in your orders ahead of time.

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Besides these, the flag is often flown when a person in a family is deceased. Usually it is flown the day of death, as well as the day of the funeral. Any citizen may fly the flag on any day which he deems appropriate. (Sometimes they will fly the flag in honor of an American who has come to visit.)

The flag is raised at 8:00 a.m. and lowered at sunset, and in the summer the latest at 9:00 p.m. The exceptions are Juhannus and Independence Day. On Juhannus the flag is raised at 6:00 p.m. on Juhannus Eve, and after flying all night, is lowered at 9:00 p.m. the following day. On Independence Day the flag is lowered at 8:00 p.m.

Now you know more about the Finnish flag than you ever thought there was to know! That's how it is even with our tiny library: there you can find information that you never knew existed! Come and visit us and you will be surprised!

Happy New Year to all!

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