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CALENDAR

October

- 2—Cornhole 7pm
- 4—Finn Camp Open Disc Golf 11am, Sun Lake
- 9—Cornhold 7pm
- 10—ADA Compliance 3pm, Sauna lodge
- 11—Board Meeting 9am board room, Visitors at 11am
- 14—ADA Compliance 5:30pm, Sauna Lodge
- 14—ADA Compliance 7pm, Clubroom
- 16—Cornhole 7pm
- 17—Adult Halloween Party 7pm, Clubroom
- 17—ADA Compliance 3pm, Sauna Lodge
- 18—Lenkki Coffee Tasting 10am, Ravintola
- 24—Kids Halloween trick or treat and party
- 25—Semi-Annual Membership Meeting
Noon, Clubroom

November

- 7—Harvest Dinner 5pm, Clubroom
- 18—Holiday extravaganza 5-8pm, Clubroom
- 19—Holiday extravaganza 11am-3pm, Clubroom

December

- 6—Pikku Joulu
- 12—Adult Christmas Party 6:30pm

Sauna Hours

- Wednesday: 6pm-9pm - All members & guests
(run by volunteer)
- Saturday: 1pm-3pm Seniors & High Risk
3pm-9pm All Members
Guests Welcome
- Sunday: 3pm-8pm - All members & guests
(run by volunteer)

Private sauna rental is available-

**UPCOMING EVENTS;**

Note: Not all events are listed on this and other DFCSCA calendars. If you are planning an event, check availability of the specific facility on a certain date, please call 248-882-4626

All newsletter material due by the 15th of each month

FINN CAMP OPEN



October 4th - Finn Camp Open

- A Two Round Singles Tournament -

Entry fee will be \$50.

Player Pack will consist of:

One Special Edition Discraft Zone Disc

Towel, Sport Sack & Lunch

Also, entry in CTPs, Ace Pool and Raffles

Maximum 36 Competitors

Shotgun Start

1st Round at 11am

2nd Round 1 hour after 1st Round Concludes

To register, contact Gavin 248 722 0516



Friday Night CORNHOLE

AT THE FINN CAMP!



Friday Night Cornhole

9/11 through 10/16

\$10 each night, includes \$5 voucher towards bar or food and entry into 50/50.

Random Partners for each of the 3 games.

Most points at the end of the night Wins the Bucket, Lowest points wins the ladle.



We are sponsoring a Garden Clean up on Sunday, Oct.11th, at 1 pm.

Get your hours in weeding, dividing plants etc. Plant donations welcome.

Drinks and snacks provided. Also, we are in the process of purchasing a new tent for our festivals. Stay tuned.

Submitted by Mary Burck 2

Hickory Hill Labor Day Golf Outing was a Success



11 Teams and Beautiful Weather!

Congrats to the *First Place Team*:

Cory Sturr & Meagan, Artie & Allie Dykstra
Receiving the Honorary Trophy Trash Can

Additional awards go to:

Second Place:

Jeff & Justina Pype, Becky Wendela & Kirk Ozanich.

Third Place:

Drew Sennhenn, Eric K, Tim Martin, and Mark.

Closest to pin Men – Wayne Jokinen

Closest to pin Women – Becky Wendela

Longest Drive Men's Under 60 – Artie Dykstra

Longest Drive Men's 60+ - Rob Zewatsky

Longest Drive Women's Under 60 – Allie Dykstra

Longest Drive Women's 60+ - Robyn Jokinen

Thank you to all who came out to play and waited on the 9th hole to cheer on the teams as they made their final putt – with a special shout out to Mike Barie who sunk a 40-foot putt in front of the crowd!

Mark your calendars for next year and look for us to make a few changes to increase speed of play and add a twist or two on the course.



Holiday Extravaganza

FINN CAMP
2524 Loon Lake Rd Wixom

2026

Come do your Christmas shopping early or buy something special for yourself!

We will have many unique vendors selling custom home decor, holiday wreaths and arrangements, wearable art, beautiful jewelry and some amazing pasties!

Something for everyone and something to fit all budgets.

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 18TH
5-8PM**

**THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19TH
11AM-3PM**



Questions call Kari Aro
(248)217-5467



October 18th Lenkki Coffee Tasting 10am

Along the trail this year, we'll have 4 stops serving a different coffee along with hot chocolate and cider.

Reminder:

Golf carts can not be driven on the association property.

Bluebook rule 2003.1.8 motor vehicles may not be driven on picnic or athletic fields, except for loading or unloading equipment or supplies. 203.1.9 off road motor vehicles. Such as motorbikes, mopeds, snowmobiles. ATVs, are not permitted to operate on the association property except in areas that may be designated for that purpose.



Condolences Bruce Zarbaugh

Bruce was the beloved husband of Sandy, married 35 years, and the proud father of Drake (Emily) and Logan. He was a cherished grandfather to Beau William, who brought great joy to his life. He also leaves behind many nieces and nephews, extended family members, dear friends, and longtime co-workers who will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cloyce Sr. and Marjorie Zarbaugh. Bruce is survived by his stepmother, Ruth Zarbaugh; siblings Cloyce Jr. (the late Gail), Mark (Debbie), Ann (Tony), and Kathy; and was preceded in death by his brother Brian (Annette).

Bruce was self-employed for 20+ years and later worked as a talented mechanic with Ford Motor Company, sharing knowledge and skills with others. His passion for helping others extended beyond his work, as he frequently worked after hours on the vehicles of friends and family.

Outside of work, Bruce enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. He enjoyed earning extra money, traveling to Jamaica with family and friends, hunting, fishing, boating, and enjoyed tracking down uncharted local eateries. He especially enjoyed hunting and sharing his knowledge and passion for the outdoors with his sons and young people alike. Bruce was always ready for an adventure and a good time with those he loved. He also enjoyed receiving God's word through daily devotions and sharing them with others.

Bruce's hardworking nature, generous spirit, mechanical talents, sense of adventure, and willingness to lend a helping hand will remain a lasting part of the memories shared by his family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice. Bruce's greatest legacy will be the people he taught, helped, laughed with, and loved throughout his life.

Harry J Will Funeral Homes
Our condolences to the family.

[Obituary Link](#)



AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

ADA Compliance Committee Update and Informational Meetings

The ADA Committee is pleased to present a proposal to the membership for renovating the current clubroom entryway and adding a fully accessible restroom.

Over the past year, our team has carefully refined this design to balance aesthetics with fiscal responsibility. The resulting plan will remove the existing entryway vestibule and replace it with a welcoming, ADA-compliant entrance alongside a new accessible restroom.

To ensure everyone is informed ahead of our upcoming semi-annual meeting, we are hosting a series of casual informational sessions. We invite you to join us to review the project schematics, ask questions, and share your feedback.

Informational Meeting Schedule:

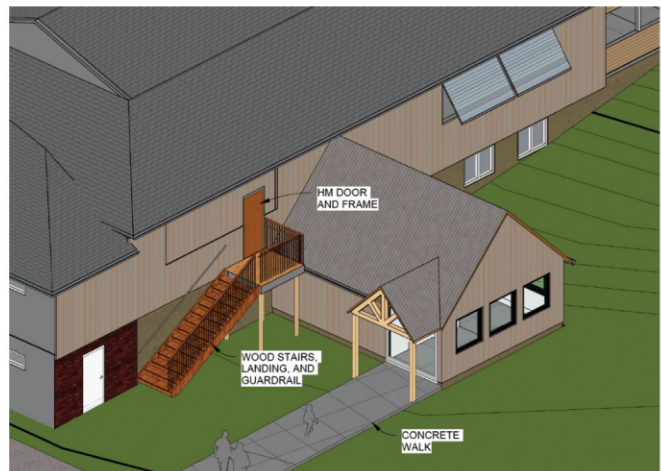
Saturday, October 10th, 3pm–4pm Sauna Lounge

Wednesday, October 14th 5:30pm–6:30pm Sauna Lounge

Wednesday, October 14th 7pm–8pm Clubroom

Saturday, October 17th 3:00pm–4:00pm Sauna Lounge

ADA Committee representatives will be present at all sessions, and we look forward to discussing this important community upgrade with you.



The Cultural Committee

DESTINATION DETROIT

The Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) is running a special series titled America 250. Our local PBS station, Detroit PBS, is contributing to this national project with a series called Destination Detroit, which highlights the immigrant communities that helped build Detroit.

On Saturday, September 26, a four-person film and sound crew spent a beautiful afternoon interviewing our members, as well as Finns from other Finnish organizations. Participants included:

Finn Camp: Kim Campbell, Barb and Steve Niemi, Tina Santti and Pat Alfaiz, and Leslie Allen (former member)

Finn Center: Linnea Nurmi, Dawn Raymond, Knights and Ladies of the Kaleva: Mary Kaye and John Aukee

Finnish American Club of Detroit: Dr. Kevin Nurmi, Honorary Consul of Finland in Detroit Nancy Nurmi (Kevin's mother)

Participants shared how their parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents came to the U.S. from Finland. They also discussed what SISU means to them and why sauna is so important to Finnish culture. Once the interviews are edited, they will be available to view on the Detroit PBS website.

Dan Linick, Cultural Committee





- If you have an address or phone number change, please email your change to: bookkeeper@finncamp.org
- New work hour cards are located at the sauna building and the clubroom. Please remember that it's your responsibility to have your hours signed off and for you to Submit Your Card to the Board by 10/31/26
- The Finn Camp has a member's only group on Facebook. If you are not a member of the group and would like to be added you can search DFCSA Members Only and request to be added. We will only add current members
- Members are billed every February and August with bills due March 1st and September 1st. You can pay your Finn camp bill by mailing to 2524 Loon Lake Rd, Wixom MI 48393 or PayPal, Using PayPal will incur a 2.99% fee that will be added to your account.
- Cash payments from members should only be made in person to either the bookkeeper or Treasurer. The drop box should only be used if paying by check or money order.
- There are plenty of projects for those members that are looking to work their hours .

Please email: work@finncamp.org
board@finncamp.org

and a works administrator will contact you.

- As members, we watch over our own grounds. If you see something or have a complaint, please let the board know: board@finncamp.org

Or use the Drop Box: Located at the clubroom
(letters can be signed or anonymous).

Thank you for helping look out for our association!

- *Beach Renovation Project Update:*
 We continue to move forward with our beach renovation project! Following Labor Day, crews will begin installing new drains and finishing the weir

dredging. Concrete pouring is scheduled for this fall—please note that the outdoor beach will be fully closed and under construction once the cement work begins.

We will share further timeline updates via email blasts, upcoming newsletters, and at the semi-annual meeting. Thank you for your patience as we work to improve our facilities!

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Reminders:

- Members are responsible for their guests when on association property, at all times.
- Only members who have been qualified and approved by the mechanical committee may operate heavy equipment. The Mechanical committee chair is Rob Zewatsky. Contact Rob or the board for permission to use the equipment. Per bluebook (203.1.23)
- Members and their guests must have their dogs on a leash on Association property unless in designated areas only. Owners are responsible for their pets. Per bluebook (203.1.3)
- Members are not to have a guest staying at their camp(without a member present) unless they have a reservation. Please see bluebook rule section 202.1.2 and payment 205.4.1
- Please be aware that a fraudulent email is currently circulating to our membership regarding billing and payment. The board will NEVER email you asking for your private account details, personal information, or direct payment verification. If you receive a suspicious message claiming to be from the aboard or organization please to not open, click, reply or send money and delete the email. Thank you for your prompt attention.

- The Board of Directors -



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 Lots of new tee shirts, mugs, hats & backpacks
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 call Patti Leppi, 248-921-1432,
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November 7th

CAMP IMPROVEMENTS & REPAIRS

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Kris Benestad – FinnCamp Member

text: 248/909-0141 • email: kbenestad45@gmail.com



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Delivery is extra

to schedule loading and pick up.

Call or text Mike Honka

at 248-860-5109

Do not help yourself to the firewood.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

October 11th at 6pm **Board Meeting**

Future Finn Camp Events

October 4th	FC Open Disc Golf
October 25th	Semi-Annual Meeting
November 1st	Fall Talkoo
November 7th	Harvest Dinner
December 12th	Adult Christmas Party



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- The type of service offered; a description of just what you do as the service provider;
- Your price (hourly rate, job rate, to be negotiated, or whatever);
- Your name; and your contact information (preferred method and times: phone, email, etc.).
- Total length, including spaces, should not exceed 50 words, not counting the headings. (Over 50 word copy will be edited to fit.)
- The deadline is the same as the date for newsletter copy: the 15th of each month.

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