



# FCA News

FOR MEMBERS OF THE FINNISH CENTER ASSOCIATION

August 2009

## THE FCA NEEDS YOUR HELP IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- Opening and Closing
- Cleaning
- Inventory
- General Office
- Bartending
- Hall/Lounge Set up
- Proofreading
- Sound
- Plumbers
- Electrical

**HELP - HELP - HELP**

## CHAIRMANS CORNER

We have many persons who do volunteer work at the Finnish Center. I would like to call attention to one group that has been very busy lately securing additional income for the FCA. They are the ones working the "Poker Parties."

About two months ago Gene Belttari recommended that the FCA participate in hosting a "Poker Party" at the Garden City Bowling Lanes. The receipts from the event was to be shared by Trips Kings Entertainment and the FCA. Gene organized the operation with assistance from Neil Manley. The bowling alley provided the facility, insurance, and security. The FCA provided the license and volunteers to count chips and money from 4:00 pm to 2:00 am for six evenings. Volunteers participating in the "Poker Parties" were: Gene Belttari, Shirley Belttari, Cortland Book, Denise Book, Frank Gottberg, Millie Harju, Maria Hill, Lois Holmes, Christine Johnson, Dagmar Malstrom, Gerald Malstrom, Neil Manley, Bruce Mikko, Paul Rajala, Nancy Sannar, David Sharpe, and Pearl Wanttaja.

Income for the FCA from the six nights was \$6,700.00. Gene is planning on a similar session in August at Northville Downs.

We thank these volunteers for giving of their time to support the FCA. What a blessing they and other volunteers are to the FCA.

Norbert C. Leppanen

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## KALEVALA: LAND OF HEROES

On Saturday August 22, 2009 members of the Peninsula Arts Appreciation Council (PAAC), from Negaunee, Michigan will perform the subject play at the Finn Camp dance hall, 2524 Loon Lake Road, Wixom, MI. Performances will be at 11:00 am and 7:00 pm. Advance tickets are \$12.00 for adults and \$8.00 per child (17 and under). Tickets at the door are \$15.00 per adult and \$10.00 per child.

Pasties and other refreshments will be served between performances. If you would like to reserve tickets please send an e-mail to the [fcacenter@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fcacenter@sbcglobal.net). Or telephone 248-478-6939 indicating which performance you wish to attend.

This will probably be your only opportunity to see this cultural event. Do not miss it. The grounds of the Finn Camp provide an appropriate setting for this performance and for social activity before and after the performance.

Norbert C. Leppanen

# CALENDAR

## WEEKLY EVENTS

### **Finnish American Singers**

Mondays 7 to 9 pm

### **Library**

Open Mondays 9 to 2 pm

### **NikkarinTalo**

Mondays 9 am

## BI-WEEKLY EVENT

### **Blood Pressure Readings**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

11 am to 2 pm

## MONTHLY EVENTS

### **Gift Shop—Meeting**

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday 1:00 pm

### **Stamp Club**

Last Sunday of month 2-4 pm

### **Weavers**

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month 10-2 pm

### **Card and Game Party**

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 11-4 pm

### **Finnish Conversation**

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month 10 am

### **Book Club**

Day of Fish Fry 3:30pm

## JULY

- 1 Blood Drive 11:30 am - 9:00 pm  
3 CLOSED  
4 CLOSED  
5 CLOSED  
9 Board Meeting 6:30 pm  
11 Paint coatroom as needed  
13 Special FASM rehearsal 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
18 Clean light fixtures & high surfaces  
26 Open House 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
28 Isha Yoga (set-up) 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
29 Isha Yoga 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm  
30 Isha Yoga 6:00 pm - 10:30 pm  
31 Isha Yoga 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm

## AUGUST

- 1 Isha Yoga 7:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Scandinavian Bazaar Meeting  
10:00 am  
2 Isha Yoga 6:00 am - 6:30 pm  
3 Isha Yoga 6:00 pm - 10:30 pm  
4 Isha Yoga 6:00 pm - 12 midnight  
7 Finnish Conversation 10:00 am - 11:00 am

- 8 Rental - Wedding 11:00 am - 5:00 pm  
13 Board Meeting 6:30 pm  
Rental - Shaklee 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
15 Ceiling repair in lobby & waiting room  
21 Pasty preparation for Finn Camp  
22 Pasty making for Finn Camp  
Play at Finn Camp  
30 Open House with Raffle

## SEPTEMBER

- 5 CLOSED  
6 CLOSED  
7 CLOSED  
9 Danish Bros. dinner 6:30 pm  
10 Joint Board meeting 6:30 pm  
11 Rental - Wedding 6:30 pm  
12 Rental - Wedding - 6:30 pm  
16 10151 luncheon 11:00 am  
18 Rental - Wedding 6:30 pm  
19 FAHS meeting 2:00 pm  
SACC crayfish dinner 3:00 pm  
23 Danish Bros. meeting 6:30 pm  
24 Taste of the Farm 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
25 Fish Fry 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Pasty sale preparation  
26 Pasty sale  
27 Open House 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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www.finnishcenter.org

## **OFFICERS**

Norbert Leppanen, Chairman  
Cortland Book, Vice Chairman  
Kristine Copeland, Secretary

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

1 Year  
Maria Hill, Gerald Malstrom,  
Paul Rajala

## 2 Year

Cortland Book, Norbert Leppanen,  
George Koskimaki

## 3 Year

Kristine Copeland, Tarja Virtanen, Christine Johnson

## **ALTERNATES**

Norman McCue

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Neil Manley, Jr., Dagmar Malstrom

## **TREASURER**

Christine Johnson

## **COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

### Building & Grounds

Frank Gottberg

### Cultural

Ruth Mannisto

### Education

Ruth Kaarlela

### Finance

Hilkka Ketola

### Gift Shop

Margaret Laurila

### Mailing

George Koskimaki

### Membership

Shirley Brooks

### Publicity & Publications

Nancy Sannar

### Social

Ilene Yanke

### Sunshine Lady

Margaret Laurila

## **SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING CORPORATION**

Paul C. Hendrickson, Chairman

### *Tapiola Village*

Laura Fultz, Manager

248-471-3802

### *Freedom Square*

Mary O'Brien, Manager

248-442-7250

[Tapiola@ameritech.net](mailto:Tapiola@ameritech.net)

[www.fcaseniorhousing.org](http://www.fcaseniorhousing.org)

The Finnish Center Association  
35200 W. Eight Mile Rd.  
Farmington Hills, MI

Presents a

## **Scandinavian Bazaar**

Saturday

November 14, 2009

10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**\$1 donation @ the door**  
**Public Welcome**

**Featuring:**  
**Imports,**  
**Ethnic Foods,**  
**Music,**  
**Cooking demonstration**

## OVER ON FINN DRIVE

### FCA Saturday Hours

The Board of Trustees has initiated regular Saturday office hours for the FCA. We particularly want to welcome those members and guests that work during the week and cannot visit during the normal Monday, Wednesday, and Friday business hours. This is also an opportunity for anyone looking to rent the building to tour the facility. The office will be staffed by a different board member each Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Stop by for a chat, stroll through the Finlandia Gardens, or visit the gift shop. Your board members would like to see you and will take your comments or try to answer your questions.

Note that the FCA Gift Shop is still open on Saturdays (except holiday weekends), but the new regular hours are 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

### Pasty Bake

Volunteers are being sought to help make pasties on Friday, August 21, and Saturday, August 22. The pasties will help feed the troupe of actors for the performances of the play "Kalevala: Land of Heroes" at the Finn Camp in Wixom. Pasties will also be on sale at the Finn Camp after the morning play performance and before the evening performance. Proceeds will be shared between the FCA and the Finn Camp. Volunteers can sign up in the lobby of the FCA, or call the office at 248-478-6939 during business hours.

A limited number of pasties will be sold by first come basis, reservation only, at the FCA on Saturday, August 22. If you wish to purchase any, email your name, phone number, and the number of pasties you wish to purchase to [FCA-pasties@comcast.net](mailto:FCA-pasties@comcast.net). The cost is \$5 per pasty and they can be picked up between noon and 3:00 p.m. that day.

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## WOMEN'S CLUB BAKERS

We'll begin the Pulla/Nisu baking season on Wed., Sept. 23, from 9:45-2:00 p.m. Hoping to see our regular bakers and some new ones. On this day, we'll bake for the Finnish Breakfast, mainly. We can accept orders for only 24 loaves, so call early to get your order on the list.

Thanks,  
Ilene

## GARDEN CLUB

The Finlandia Garden Club invites everyone to take the opportunity to stroll the gardens and then sit and enjoy the view from the completed pergola. The stonework and paths immediately surrounding the pergola and wedding circle are complete. We are in the process of widening some of the gardens and adding two smaller circular gardens and hope to add some additional gravel paths to connect some of these gardens. Adding gravel not only makes the gardens look more cohesive but cuts down on the mowing and trimming burden. As always budget is our limiting factor since the previous stone cost is in excess of \$400. We have marked off a low lying wet area with stones and will be planting this with native seeds and plants whose roots will absorb the standing rainwater and serve as an additional example of our environmental stewardship.

You will also see a new stone pathway which has replaced the old mulch path in front near the Maypole. The stone was donated by one of our garden associates and has found a new home here at the FCA. We did circle the Maypole during the open house on June 28th. Now that we have an idea of what we are doing perhaps we'll have a celebration closer to May 1st next year!

You will find a number of garden associates on Monday mornings as this is our traditional workday. Please feel free to join us. If you have any questions for a Master Gardener we are available on Mondays from 8:30 am until noon. If you stop by at 10:30 am you are likely to get coffee and a snack along with an answer to your questions.

If you would like to join us or have any questions, please contact Gayle Gullen at [734] 546-5190 or e-mail me at [gaylegullen@hotmail.com](mailto:gaylegullen@hotmail.com).

Regards,  
Gayle Gullen



Practice Maypole Dancing.

## FINLAND TODAY

First, the Finnish Catholic Church will have their first Finnish Bishop in nearly 500 years. Pope Benedict XVI has named Father Teemu Sippo as the next Bishop of Finland, and will be ordained later this year. The last Finnish Bishop of Finland, Arvid Kurki, died in 1522. The current Bishop of Finland is Jozef Wrobelin of Poland. There are about 10,000 Catholics in Finland.

In May, unemployment in Finland rose over the 10% mark to 10.9%. Unemployment rate for men was 12%, and for women it was 9.7%. For the age group of 15--24 years, the unemployment rate was 38.3%. The lowest unemployment was in southern Finland where the rate was 9.1% and the highest rate was in Lapland at 19.1%. Even with the high unemployment, Finland still has about 40,000 temporary guest workers from other countries.

President Obama has named Bruce Oreck as the new ambassador to Finland, subject to Senate confirmation. Oreck is a tax lawyer who has represented many large firms in tax situations. Bruce Oreck was also Vice-Chairman of the Oreck vacuum cleaner company.

According to the Finnish Gallup poll, President Halonen's approval rate is "down" to 81%, down from 86% last year at this time. By the way, President Halonen has bought a new home. By American standards, it is quite modest. The living space is about 915 square feet. It also has a separate office space and a garage which is about 431 square feet. The price was about \$180,000.

Last year Finland had 6.1 million visitors from other countries, which is up by 6% over 2007. The largest group of visitors was from Russia, followed by Swedes, Estonians, and Germans.

Kimi Raikkonen, the 2007 Formula One World Champion, is switching motorsports, at least for one race. Raikkonen has agreed to make his World Rally Championship debut at the Neste Oil Finland Rally Championship in Jyvaskyla. Raikkonen will switch from his Formula One Ferrari car to the Fiat Abarth Grande Punto S2000 for the Finland WRC race. His partner during the race will be fellow Finn, Kaj Lindstrom, who was the co-driver for 4 time WRC champion, the retired Tommi Makinen.

The Finnish swimming championship was a "smashing" success, especially for the women. A total of seven records were broken, six by the women. Emilia Pikkarainen broke three of the records, in the 200 meter individual medley, the 200 fly, and the 100 fly.

The first goal tender selected in 2009 NHL draft was a Finn, 20 year old Mikko Koskinen. A total of 10 Finnish hockey players were drafted.

The Finnish rock group, Rasmus, appearance at a concert in Russia came to a crashing halt. Before the concert began, the stage collapsed, destroying much of the equipment. Appearing with Rasmus on the Monsters of Rock tour in Russia are the Scorpions and Alice Cooper. about 20,000 fans were expected to be on hand for the concert before the stage collapsed.

Finally, Heikki had gone away to the "big city" to attend law school. After graduation, he returned home and opened up his law office.

The first day, he looked out the window and saw a man coming up the sidewalk. Heikki decided to make a "big impression" on his first client.

As the man came to the door, Heikki picked up the phone and started talking, while motioning the man to sit down. "No, absolutely not, you tell those clowns that I wouldn't settle the case for less than a million", Heikki kept talking on the phone, sounding "important". This went on for about 5 minutes, meanwhile the man sat patiently.

Finally Heikki put down the phone, and turned to the man and said, "I'm sorry for the delay, as you can see I'm very busy. What can I do for you?"

The man replied, "I'm from AT&T, I'm here to hook up your phone."

Markku Ketola, marketola@yahoo.com

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### Paint up and Fix up

The Building and Grounds Committee is requesting the help of skilled? volunteers for some interior painting, carpentry, and cleanup work on Saturday, August 15. Please contact Paul Rajala or call the FCA during business office hours and leave a message if you wish to help.

### Taste of the Farms

The Finnish Center will host the Farmington Youth Assistance fundraiser "Taste of the Farms" on Thursday, September 24. More details are forthcoming on the FYA website, www.farmingtonyouthassistance.org. Mark your calendars for some fine food and drink for a very worthy cause.

### Flea Market Donations

Any small items that you wish to donate to the FCA table, please bring to the FCA during regular business hours.

Your Flea Market Coordinator

## HAPPINESS FUND

Donations to the Happiness Fund honoring Laina Lampi on her 95th birthday from:

Connie Fosness and Maria Hill

## GIFT SHOP

**Needs  
volunteer  
salespeople.**

Please call  
248-478-6939

## FINN FACTS



Send me your Finn facts. They can be from Finland or from America, but must be about Finnish people and their ways.

Send them to:  
fcacenter@sbcglobal.net  
Attn: Glenn - Finn Facts.

## Armitage Catering

**Located at the FCA, we cater any event, big or small:**

**Weddings/Showers  
Anniversaries  
Memorial Services  
Business Events  
Graduation Parties**

**Off site catering is also available  
248-921-7561**

**This could be a space for your ad.**

Call the Finnish Center to advertise in the newsletter.

## FINNISH AMERICAN SINGERS

### FINNISH-AMERICAN SINGERS' TRIP TO "FINNFUNN WEEKEND"

The singers will travel to Ithaca, NY from Oct. 1-4 and invite others from the FCA to join them. We will leave from the Center via Bianco bus on Oct. 1 at 9:00 a.m. and return on Oct. 4th at around 7 p.m. If we get 20 riders, the cost of the bus for each will be \$195. Those traveling must have a passport, or the new Driver's license that acts as a passport, as we'll go through Canada.

We'll be at the Clarion University Hotel in Ithaca being a part of the Fingerlakes Finns' FinnFunn weekend. These are people whom Frank Gottberg knows as they are from his home area in NY. This will be a very scenic trip. On Fri., we can take the wine tour, with a box lunch, for \$40. and go to 5 wineries around Cayuga Lake. On Sat. there will be many events and cultural sessions. The FASM will sing on Sat. On one of the routes, we'll go by Niagara Falls so that we can see the Falls. We may be able to spend some time at the Falls.

Reservations at the hotel must be made by Aug. 21, but we want to reserve WELL BEFORE that. The hotel offers a good package for Thurs. and Fri. nights with 2 Finnish buffet breakfasts and 2 banquet dinners. For one person sharing a double room, it would be \$200., a triple room \$175., and a quad room \$165.

If you would like to take this trip with us, please call Ilene at 248.887.3538 as soon as possible. It will be fun!

Ilene Yanke

President of the Finnish-American Singers

PS: Have you considered coming to Finnish-American Singers on Monday nights from 7-9 p.m., starting on Mon., Sept. 14? There are no auditions. You need to enjoy singing and have patience, as one doesn't usually get everything right right away. We are a happy group with an excellent Director and an excellent Accompanist. Hoping to see some new faces on Sept. 14.

# 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 May newsletter are as follows:

In memory of FCA life member Eleanor Mettinen West (5-1-09) donations have been made by Pearl & Ray Wanttaja.

In memory of FCA life member Helen Kaino Lampi (5-4-09) donations have been made by Emil Makila, Toini Kesti, Kay Simo, Betty & Leonard Holmbo, Ellen Clisch, Roger Wanttaja, Randy Wanttaja, John Saetta, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja, Hannah Carlson.

In memory of FCA life member Elna Lehto Reinholm (5-12-09) donations have been made by Ellen Clisch, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja, Hannah Carlson.

In memory of FCA member Viktor Kimler (6-9-09) donations have been made by Pearl & Ray Wanttaja.

In memory of FCA life member Helen Tuomaala Gilbert (6-11-09) donations have been made by Betty & Leonard Holmbo, Kay Simo, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja.

In memory of Henry Storm (6-20-09) of Nisula, donations have been made by Kay Simo and Pearl & Ray Wanttaja. Henry was the brother-in-law of member Ellen Clisch.

In memory of FCA life member Rudolph "Rudy" Wantin (6-24-09) donations have been made by Betty & Leonard Holmbo.

In memory of FCA life member Aino Katajamaki (6-25-09) donations have been made by Hannah Carlson, Betty & Leonard Holmbo, Kay Simo, Pearl & Ray Wanttaja.

In memory of FCA life member Marjorie "Marge" Hella Thorpe (3-26-09) donations have been made by her brother Ronald & Rosemary Hella, Mike & Roberta Burgin and Cathy McBride.

In memory of FCA life member Bernard "Ben" Heikkinen (5-30-04) a donation has been made by his wife Lil and Family.

In memory of FCA life member Wealthy Makila (8-12-01) a donation has been made by Pearl & Ray Wanttaja.

In memory of Steven Neal (1-3-09) of Kerens, TX, a donation has been made by Ellen Clisch. Steven was the son of member Helvi Wertheimer.

The FCA has made donations in memory of member Barbara Kolehmainen Husa (4-18-09) and in memory of James McKee (5-20-09) of Wyandotte, father of member Gary McKee.

In memory of Elna Reinholm (5/12/2009) donations were made by Fritz Putkela, Wayne/Pauline Malila, Ellen G. Alanen.

In memory of Helen Lampi (5/4/2009) donations were made by James / Sally Fetter, David/Anne, McQueen, Richard/LOC Fed Credit Union Lampi, Norbert & Luise Leppanen, Doris Graveline, Edith Raski, Ruth Kaarlela, George Koskimaki, Jacqueline Scheel, Bob & Marge Salo, Ruben & Grace Nayback, Maureen Morris, Hilja M Waisanen, Fred/Dee Aebersold, William/Debra Benton, Dan & Sue Brukwinski, Fritz Putkela, Gail Henry, Rosemary Ross, Laina Lampi, Ophelia Lampi, Sandra & David Scheel, Neil Manley, Jr, Penelope Trikes, Thomas & Susan G. Matlas, Kevin/Jennifer Lampi, Kyle Lampi, Paul Lampi, and John Burke.

In memory of Marjorie Thorpe (/26/2009) donations were made by James C. Thorpe, Roger/Coleen Hella, and Philip/Sharon Workman.

In memory of Bernard Heikkinen (5/31/2004) a donation was made by Lillian M. Heikkinen.

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## 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.

Portofino Lunch & Cruise - 1 day, Thursday, July 16, \$60. Lunch will be at the Portofino Restaurant in Wyandotte, followed by a 2 hour cruise on the Detroit River. Also included is a tour of the Bella Vino Winery with wine sampling, and time for some shopping in downtown Wyandotte. Be at FCA

9:45am for a 10:00 am departure. Return about 6:45 pm.

Point Edward featuring Westview Orchards in Romeo - 1 day, Tuesday, August 25, \$31. We will have a tour of the orchards and you can pick yourself some peaches. On our return we will be served cider and a peach donut. At the casino \$15 in slot play is included. Be at FCA 8:00 am for 8:15 am departure. Return about 6:15 pm.

Saganing Eagle's Landing Casino in Standish - 1 day, Thursday, September 24, \$36. This is a brand-new, recently opened casino. Included is \$20 in premium play. Be at FCA at 8:00 am for 8:15 departure. Return about 6:45pm.

Frankenmuth & Color Tour - 1 day, Tuesday, October 20, \$55. Trip includes a city tour of Frankenmuth, lunch at Bavarian Inn, Pretzel dipping and shopping at Bronners. If Mother Nature cooperates the fall colors should be beautiful!! Be at FCA 8:30 am for 8:45 m departure. Return about 5:00 pm.

Please call if you have questions. Pearl Wanttaja 248-541-0054

## MICHIGAN'S COLUMBUS: THE LIFE OF DOUGLASS HOUGHTON

On June 13, lawyer, professor, and author Steve Lehto was welcomed to the Finnish Center to show slides and tell the story about "Michigan's Columbus," as he calls Douglass Houghton. Several organizations joined in organizing this program: The Finnish American Historical Society; the FCA; and the newly-formed Finnish American Cultural Corporation.

While Lehto was visiting Quincy Mine in Hancock, he became interested in Douglass Houghton, and learned that the only biography about him was written in the 1880's and included inaccuracies about his life. Through his research about Houghton, he found that Houghton was exploring Michigan at the time of statehood, 1837. Even though he is most known for his work as a surveyor in the Upper Peninsula because of his connection to copper, Houghton worked around the whole state, and even served as mayor of Detroit.

After the presentation and numerous questions, people socialized and enjoyed goodies from the coffee table. KIITOS to all who brought tasty treats for the coffee table.

Steve has an important connection to the Finnish Center, being the son of FCA members Lillian and Paul Lehto. In 2007, he presented about the Italian Hall fire, the subject of his book *Death's Door*. His next book is already written, and will be published in 2010, so watch the FCA Newsletter for the date of his future lively presentation. In the meantime, come to the FCA Gift Shop to purchase *Michigan's Columbus*.

Louise Hartung, for the three sponsoring organizations

# FROM THE FCA LIBRARY

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We have added the following books and non-book media to our library:

**ALLOUEZ, NEW ALLOUEZ AND BUMBLETOWN** by Clarence J. Monette. This is the forty-seventh of a Local History Series. Many historical photos enhance the text. 977.4 Mo

**LAURIUM. MICHIGAN'S EARLY DAYS** by Clarence J. Monette. This is the twenty-seventh in the same series as the above. 977.4 Mo

**EARLY RED JACKET AND CALUMET IN PICTURES, VOL. II** by Clarence J. Monette. This is the fortieth in the above series. 977.4 Mo

**MICHIGAN'S COLUMBUS, THE LIFE OF DOUGLASS HOUGHTON** by Steve Lehto. The name "Houghton" is well known to Michigianians, being the name of a city, county, lake, waterfalls, schools, and more, but why is he famous? He was the state's first geologist, one-time mayor of Detroit, teacher at the University of Michigan, explorer, and his reports helped launch the "rush" to the Keweenaw's Copper Country. Very interesting! It's in biography, B Ho.

**IS THIS AN AGATE?** by Susan Robinson. This is an illustrated guide to Lake Superior's beach stones. It's a small book, but very informative. 549 Ro

**THE PASTY BOOK** by Hettie Merrick. This is written not by a Finn, but by one with roots in Cornwall, England, where the pasty originated. Another small book, but as they say, "The best things come in small packages." It's in 641.5 Me.

**RANGE OF OPPORTUNITY** by Richard A. Fields. This is a historic study of the Copper Range Company which, along with the Quincy Mining and the Calumet & Hecla Mining Companies, was one of the big three companies in the Lake Superior copper mining district. 977.4 Fi

**STORIES OF THE EARLY YEARS** by Gordon J. Mattila. Gordon has written a history of his family farm in Toivola. It gives you a picture of what it was like growing up on a homestead farm before modern times. 977.4 Ma

**A GUIDE TO MICHIGAN'S HISTORIC KEWEENAW COPPER DISTRICT** by Lawrence J. Molloy. You could use this as a travel guide of the Copper Country. It includes maps, photographs, and outlines suggested tours. 977.4 Mo

**COPPER COUNTRY POSTCARDS: A VIEW OF THE PAST FROM THE KEWEENAW PENINSULA** by Nancy Ann Sanderson. Ms. Sanderson shares almost three hundred historical postcards from her personal collection, and has added some text. Very interesting, indeed. 977.4 Sa

**SUOMEN KANSALLISPUKUJA** by Tynni Vahter and Greta Strandberg. One of our members was kind enough to place pages of this pamphlet picturing Finnish national costumes into protective pages into a notebook which can now be put on the shelf and can be checked out as a book. 746.9 Va

We have also received the following non-book media:

**FINNISH AMERICAN HISTORICAL ARCHIVE.** Donald Autio interviews Gary Kaunonen, archivist at the archives in Hancock as to its content and services. Very informative. DVD 977.4 Ka

**AMERIKAN SUOMALAISTEN ALBUMI (FINNS IN AMERICA).** This video was made in the 1940's showing what life was like among American Finns in that era. It's worth a look. You will almost surely see familiar areas, and possibly even faces, VHS 909.82 Am

**THE SURVIVORS: NORTH AMERICAN FINNS IN STALIN'S RUSSIA.** This is the story of twenty of the thousands of American Finns who were fooled by Stalin's promise of a Utopia in Soviet Karelia. They are lucky to have escaped with their lives. VHS 947.1

The last three items are on the media shelf on the north wall of the library.

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- Wed., Nov. 18, a Veterans' Day Luncheon, serving at 12:00 noon.
- Fri., Dec. 11, a Christmas Potluck meal at 3:00 p.m., convenient for all who prefer to drive in the daytime.

Jot the dates down, and via the next Newsletter, we will tell you more.

Kiitos,

Ilene Maki Yanke, Social

Tentatively scheduled for Sunday September 20<sup>th</sup> concert/presentation of traditional music and instruments from Finland by Laurel Premo. Laurel Premo began her musical career at age 7 with the folk and traditional group White Water (has performed at the FCA previously), and performed about 70 concerts each year, including venues such as The Arks in Ann Arbor and the Kaustinen Folk Music Festival in Kaustinen, Finland.

In fall of 2008, she studied Finnish traditional music at the Department of Fold Music at Sibelius Academy in Helsinki, Finland.

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