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## Campus Events

### DECEMBER

- 12-16** Final examsweek.
- 15** 8-10 am, Free business counseling, Jutila Center, 487-7339.
- 15** 6:30-8 pm, Finnish Christmas Sing-Along, FAHC, 487-7505.
- 16** Last day of fall 2011 semester.
- 16** Start of semester break/ Christmas vacation.
- 16** 6 pm, Employee Appreciation Dinner, Finlandia Hall café.
- 27** 3-5 pm, Free business counseling, Jutila Center, 487-7339.

### JANUARY

- 9** First day of spring 2012 semester.



**Late Night Breakfast**  
**Sunday, December 11th**  
**11:00pm**  
**Finlandia Hall Cafe**



Take a break from studying for your exams and join us for a late night breakfast



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## Christmas Sing-Along Is Dec. 15

The Finlandia University Finnish American Heritage Center will host a Finnish Christmas Sing-Along Thursday, December 15, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Everyone is invited to join in singing some of the most beautiful Christmas songs, both in Finnish and in English.

Music and lead singing will be provided by Pasi Lautala, Megan Pliis, Oren Tikkanen, Anna Gawboy, Meg Pachmayer, and Dave Bezotte.

The sing-along is free and open to the public. Participants are invited to bring a plate of cookies or similar treats to share.

For information, contact Hilary Virtanen, at 487-7505.



## SAAC Food Drive

Finlandia University's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) is hosting a canned food drive.

Those wishing to participate may drop off non-perishable items at designated bins located in Old Main, Paavo Nurmi Center, and Finlandia Hall. All items will be donated to the Salvation Army's Christmas Program on December 11.



## The Giving Tree

Please help make a woman smile this Christmas.

The Barbara Kettle Gundlach Shelter needs our help. The holidays are hard for the women they serve, so let's make it a little brighter for them.

We have a giving tree in the Maki Library with tags for women ages 20-45. We are asking for gift baskets worth \$20 to \$30 filled with things like toiletries, manicure/pedicure, hair, bath and body products, etc.... Whatever you think a woman would want.

If you do not want to put together a basket, we will do it for you. Just donate some items.

Please drop off donations to Jan Woodbeck's office, Mannerheim 208, by Wednesday December 14.

—Finlandia Student Nursing Association

## Finlandia University Gallery

December 1 to January 14  
Contemporary Finnish-American Artist Series: 20 Year Retrospective

## Reflection Gallery

December 1 to January 29  
"Art With Repurpose"

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## Finlandia U Night at Copper Island

The Copper Island Beach Club, Hancock, invites all Finlandia staff and faculty to "Finlandia U Night" Thursday evenings for free snacks and good conversation.

The CIBC is at 101 Navy Street, Hancock, on the waterfront next to Porvoo Park.

## Little Bros. Needs Christmas Day Help

Little Brothers-Friends of the Elderly is looking for Christmas Day volunteers to help at one of 11 sites to Serve and clean up (1:30-4:30 p.m.); Transport two or three elderly people to one of our dinners, help serve dinner, then take the people home (the people need to arrive at the dinner site by 1:30 p.m.); Deliver hot meals with a visit to one to three elderly friends in Laurium or Houghton (about 11:45 a.m.); Deliver hot meals with a visit to one to three elderly friends from Copper City, South Range, Baraga, or Ontonagon (about 1:45 p.m.).

If you want to help, contact Cathy Aten, LBFE volunteer coordinator, at [caten.hou@littlebrothers.org](mailto:caten.hou@littlebrothers.org).

## A Different Kind of Classroom

What kind of business would you start if you were given a free space? Would you like to get credit for opening and running your own store?

This spring semester, Finlandia University Business and Art & Design students will have the opportunity to do just that.

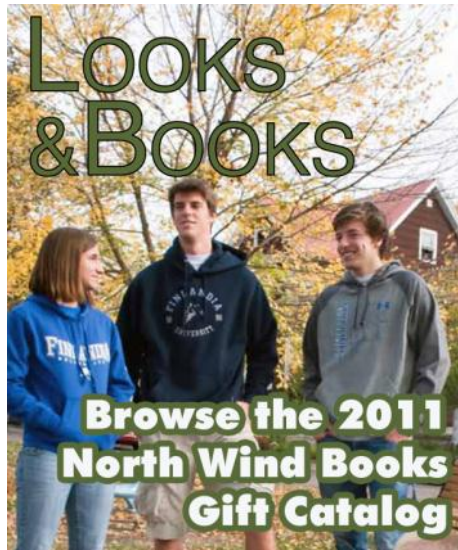
In BUS 350, Entrepreneurial Leadership, students will explore opportunity recognition, value creation, and the meaning of business ownership, while they develop and execute a student-run venture. In several ISAD classes, students can take their creative ideas and turn them into unique products or marketing venues for a student-run store.

In today's challenging economic market, the best thing you can do for your future is to gain experience in the field in which you want to work.

Whether you want to be an entrepreneur, businessperson, artist, or designer, this is an opportunity to enrich your skill set through direct experience. Both potential employers and business investors value individuals who have taken a chance and stepped out from behind the textbook to understand the challenges of "real" world experiences.

Here's a chance to take a chance—almost risk free.

Are you looking for a different kind of classroom? Do you have product you would like to sell in this store? Contact Fred Knoch at 906-487-7510 or [fred.knoch@finlandia.edu](mailto:fred.knoch@finlandia.edu).



Check out the 2011 North Wind Books "Looks & Books" gift catalog online at [www.finlandia.edu/north-wind-books](http://www.finlandia.edu/north-wind-books).

## Free Business Counseling

The Finlandia Jutila Center will offer free business consulting with Roger Woods of Homer Consulting Dec. 15 and Dec. 27, 2011.

To schedule an appointment, please contact Liz Baumann at 906-487-7339 or [liz.baumann@](mailto:liz.baumann@)

## WOLV-FM Produces Artful Programs

Rick Allen at WOLV-FM Radio recently produced a four-part series of radio

programs about Finlandia Art & Design events and exhibits for



his Sunday morning *Copper Country Today* program. You can link to the audio, video, and photos at

[www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Copper-Country-Today/250281118354564](http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Copper-Country-Today/250281118354564).

Rick would appreciate feedback about these programs. E-mail your comments to [houghtonradio@up.net](mailto:houghtonradio@up.net).



**Employee  
Appreciation  
Dinner and  
Holiday Celebration**

**Friday, December 16  
6:00 p.m.**

**Finlandia Hall Cafeteria**

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## Volunteer Mediators Wanted

The UPCAP Community Dispute Resolution Services program is seeking individuals who would like to make a difference in their community. The program provides mediation services in Delta, Menominee, Schoolcraft, Gogebic, Iron, Dickinson, Ontonagon, Baraga, Houghton, and Keweenaw counties. Disputes involving everything from neighborhood disagreements to divorce and parenting time issues, to special education concerns are handled by our trained volunteer mediators.



Would you like to make a difference? Can you attend a 40-hour training program held two-and one-half days a week for two consecutive weeks beginning in January?

If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity, please send a brief resume and a short note explaining why this opportunity is right for you to: Cheryl Goc, Program Coordinator, UPCAP Services, Inc., P.O. Box 606, Escanaba, MI 49829.

For more information about the program, contact Cheryl Goc at 906-789-9580, 800-780-3456, or [gocc@upcap.org](mailto:gocc@upcap.org).



*Tomoyuki Ishizuka (Japan) and Christopher Berkley (Virginia) enjoy the December 1 Finnish Independence Day celebration*



*Above: A member of the Kivajat dance group bears the Finnish Flag at the December 1 Finnish Independence Day celebration*

## Employee Appreciation Food Drive

Each year, the Employee Appreciation Committee facilitates a food drive for the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church pantry. We continue to build the tradition and hope this year's food drive is even more successful.

You will notice collection tubs in Old Main, Mannerheim Hall (across from the university registrar's office), and the Jutila Center.

Please donate non-perishable and paper goods throughout the You can also donate at the Employee Appreciation Party of December 16.

PLEASE make sure that the items that you donate have not expired and are in good condition. Thank you.



*Shaela Morin, "Do (Not) Enter," mixed media*

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Phyllis Fredendall at the loom owned by the late Paul Lahti

## Qigong, Tai Chi Starts Jan. 12

Darlene Basto, a certified Integral Qigong and Tai Chi teacher, will conduct a six-week session in Mannerheim Central (former cafeteria) Thursdays, 5:15 to 6:15 p.m., starting January 12. The sessions are open to Finlandia faculty, staff, students, and community members.

The cost of each session is \$10 per person, \$50 for six weeks (paid at first class), or \$40 for six weeks (Finlandia students, all seniors 55+).

This Tai Chi easy method includes

both a five-movement tai practice and some mind-body strengthening qigong exercises. The practice can be done seated or standing.

The movements increase flexibility and coordination, while enhancing balance, focus, and relaxation. Qigong exercises are movements done as a warm-up for the Tai Chi, which encourage stress reduction, deeper breathing, stretching, and lymph movement (leading to toxin elimination).

For information, contact Darlene Basto (906-337-5243, [dkbasto@up.net](mailto:dkbasto@up.net)) or Hilary Sproule ([hilary.sproule@](mailto:hilary.sproule@)



The blue jeans rag rug Paul Lahti was working on prior to his death

### Hand-built Finnish-style Loom Donated to Fiber Arts Program

The Finlandia University Fiber and Fashion Design program was gifted a loom owned by the late Paul Lahti of L'Anse and Herman. Paul's sister, Donna, donated it from Paul's estate. Phyllis Fredendall, professor of fiber arts, and her husband, Hannu, transported the loom to the Fiber Arts studio this October.

Fredendall thought the loom was constructed around 1900. Although not from Finland, the design of the loom is distinctly Finnish.

A partially-completed rug that Paul was weaving prior to his death is still on the loom, Fredendall has promised Donna that she will complete the rug.

Paul Lahti received a special tribute from the state of Michigan in 2002 recognizing his dedication to the preservation of Finnish history through his rag rug weaving craft. As explained on the special tribute, Paul's rugs were known for their tight weaves, careful designs, and handsome colors.



The Finnish-style loom donation included this custom rag cutter

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*Anneli Halonen, cultural counselor of the Embassy of Finland, Washington D.C., presented a talk titled, "Cultural Identity and Finnish Art" December 1 at the Finnish Independence Day celebration*

## Friends of Finlandia

### Matching Students with University Friends

Finlandia University strives to provide its students with more than a traditional academic experience. Attending college in Michigan's Copper Country provides a unique opportunity to learn local history and partake in a Finnish and Finnish-American culture found in few other places in this country.

Finlandia also recognizes that many of its students are far from home. Some do not have the opportunity to return home for holidays and breaks.

To address both of these issues, the university has instituted a FRIENDS OF FINLANDIA program to strengthen the bond between Finlandia students and local friends and supporters of Finlandia.

Participation in the program, both by students and local residents, is entirely voluntary.

Interested students and local

residents are asked to complete a questionnaire about their interests in connecting for, perhaps, a holiday dinner, a local cultural activity, or a visit to camp.

Staff at Finlandia and/or members of the Finnish Council in America, a university advisory council, will be responsible for reviewing the completed questionnaires and matching students with local hosts.

The relationship between student and host is informal and up to the interests of both parties. How often the student and host engage in activities, and what those activities may be, are determined by the time and interests of both. It could involve anything from a quarterly lunch or dinner to a weekend trip.

This program involves no cost to the student. The university's role is serving as the conduit for matching interested students and hosts.



*Jim Kurtti (left) presents the Finnish Theme Committee's 2012 Hankooki Heikki award to Hazel Tepsa December 1*

By sponsoring this program, Finlandia hopes to enrich the college experience of its students, to provide for them a support system away from home, to engender relationships with local residents that otherwise might not exist, and to impart a greater appreciation of the local community and culture.

For information, contact Kelley Martin, director of student affairs, at [kelley.martin@finlandia.edu](mailto:kelley.martin@finlandia.edu).

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## Softball Women Bring Joy (and Stockings) to Calumet

by Ashley Benavidez

On Saturday, December 3, the Finlandia University Women's Softball team gathered close to 300 stockings filled with toys and treats and shared the Christmas spirit with the children who participated in the annual Christmas in Calumet.

A long line of children waited Saturday morning, December 3, in Rowe Furniture & Flooring store to greet Santa and share with him a few holiday wishes. Alongside Santa stood his two helpers (Finlandia Softball players dressed as elves), who passed out free stockings that the Softball team spent the week prior filling with candy and toys.

Inspired by Laura Smyth, an adjunct professor at Finlandia, the girls gathered donations from local stores and collected money to purchase stockings. Some of the girls even convinced their parents to send donations from home.

While the children anxiously

awaited their visit with Santa, they could take a horse-drawn carriage ride, with a few of the Finlandia Softball girls. The girls also helped gather the kids in the store and take pictures for families.

It was as joyous an occasion for the young ladies as it was for the children.

"Seeing little kids so excited about the stockings and Santa made my day. The joy little things bring to people is such a blessing," said Nicole Cullen (freshman Lancaster, Cal.).

"Although we've been overwhelmed with finals and preparations to travel back home for the break, it's enlightening and heart-warming to see what happiness you can bring people when you volunteer just a little bit of time." added Brittany Garland (senior, team captain, Long Beach, Cal.).

The Finlandia Women's Softball team will continue their volunteer

## Digital Storytelling

Päivi Hakkarainen's and Wade Tillet's research paper, "They just wanna know your business: Education students' representations of online communities," has been accepted for presentation at the Society for Information Technology & Teacher

Education International Conference.



The SITE

2012 conference is March 5 to 9, 2012, in Austin, Texas. Hakkarainen will present the paper at the conference.

In their article, Hakkarainen and Tillet present findings from their research of how Finlandia Elementary Education students represent specific aspects of the Internet, such as social networking sites. The surveyed students are taking the class Digital Technologies and Applications for Teachers, co-taught by Tillet and Hakkarainen.

In the course, digital storytelling is used, first, as a tool for the students to reflect on their relationship with the Internet. Second, the course serves as a research instrument to give the students insight into their understanding of the Internet.

The research paper documents that, while education students appreciate the numerous benefits of online communities, they struggle with their online identities, the influx of information from online acquaintances, the online social infrastructure, and the amount of computer time involved.

service for Christmas in Calumet December 9. Despite the generous donations, we still want to reach our goal of 300 stockings. If you would like to donate, please contact Brittany Garland at [brittanygarland06@hotmail.com](mailto:brittanygarland06@hotmail.com).

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## Care Packages Ready

Have you reached your wit's end just before finals? Well, you may be in luck.

This Friday, December 9, Campus Ministry is distributing Care Packages to students in the dorms. If you receive a note in your mailbox, you can pick up your Care Package at the chapel on Friday, or next week, Monday through Wednesday.

In the Care Package you'll find a random mix of things to enjoy during finals week, including some home baked goodies.

What exactly is included? That is for us to know, and for you to find out! Good luck with your finals!!!

—Nicole Kotila

## Curling at Delta Rocks

My experience at Delta Rocks Curling Club in the Escanaba/Gladstone area was very good because I got to go curling again!

To me, curling is a sport you can have a lot of fun at, and you can catch on quickly...but it's still not as easy as you think.

Curling at Delta Rocks CC was interesting because we all had to re-learn to curl. I was surprised how quickly everyone caught on. We played a match, guys vs. girls, which ended in a tie.

In curling you need to listen to whoever is throwing the stone. If you don't, you may mess up by not sweeping in time or by sweeping too slowly, causing your team to mess up that particular sheet of the game, or you could slip and fall really hard.

For example, at one point, I didn't listen to my coach, Soren. He said he was going to throw a "bullet" for a take-out, and I slipped and fell on my hand. I got a bit bruised up, but kept on curling because I love it so much.

Curling is a great winter sport. I'm sure you'd enjoy it if you tried it.

—George Kallas



*Captive Free West Lakes performs at the chapel*

## Captive Free West Lakes

The first week of December, Finlandia Campus Ministry welcomed ministry service team Captive Free West Lakes of Youth Encounter. Russ Bryan, Mark Fulwood, Dana Hamerla, Laura Joy Mayol, and Holly Reddy make up the team. They are traveling all around the Midwest and sharing God's love through music, song, joy, laughter, fun, and fellowship. Team Captive Free and Finlandia students enjoyed three days of hanging out, building new friendships, and touring campus and the majestic Copper Harbor. It was an awesome opportunity to get out, unwind, and have fun. For more information about Youth Encounter and service teams like Captive Free, visit [www.youthencounter.org](http://www.youthencounter.org).

—Ashlee Kranz

## Campus Ministry Schedule of Events

**December 9:** TGIF Event (following hockey game)

**December 12-16:** Advent Chapel Service Events

**December 12-16:** Finals Week Care Packages can be picked up

**December 12,** 8 pm-12 am: Music, prayer and food

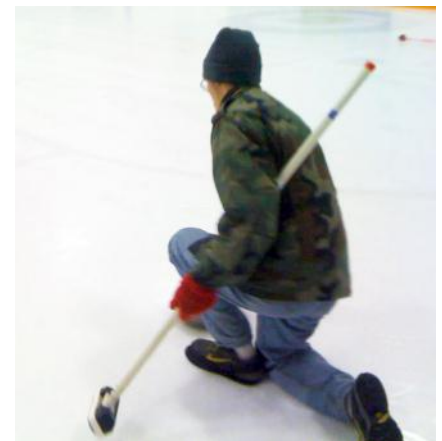
**December 13,** 8:30 am: Advent Prayer Service

**December 13,** 8 pm-2 am: Gamers' Night

**December 14,** 8 pm- 2 am: Double Feature Movie Night



*George Kallas*



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## Pavlish, Ingold Earn 2nd Team Honors



Jessica Ingold

The 2011 All-Independent Women's Soccer Teams include two Finlandia University student-athletes.

Junior midfielder Ashley Pavlish (E. Grand Forks, Minn.) and junior defender Jessica Ingold (Redford) were both named to the Second Team. Visit [www.d3independents.org](http://www.d3independents.org) for more information.



Ashley Pavlish



December 5 Finlandia student-athletes gathered in the Paavo Nurmi Center gym to make blankets for the Christmas in Calumet program. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC), which spearheaded the activity, asked each Finlandia athlete to donate one dollar to help offset the cost of the materials. The athletes completed 17 blankets and will gather again December 12 to make more blankets.

## Women's Hockey Lions' Goal Club

The Finlandia Women's Hockey team has begun a Lions' Goals Club.

For each goal scored, members of the Lions' Goal Club pledge a pre-determined amount. The minimum pledge is \$1.00 per goal; the maximum number of goals counted each season is 100. A flat amount can also be pledged. Last season (2010-11), the team scored 20 goals.

Member benefits include a weekly Lions' Goal e-summary, free admission to all home conference and non-conference games (play-off games excluded), and an invitation to the Hockey Awards Banquet.

Contact Heather Reinke, head coach, at 906-487-7388.

## Leskala Earns AD3I POTW Honors

Finlandia senior guard/forward Chase Leskala (Bruce Crossing) was named the Association of Division III Independents Men's Basketball Player of the Week for the week of November 21.



Chad Leskala

Leskala averaged 17.0 points and 7.0 rebounds over two games on the week. He was the team's leading scorer in an 88-75 loss to UW-Superior on November 18, with 23 points, eight rebounds, and two assists. Leskala led the team in rebounding in both contests and shot 54.2% from the floor (13-of-24) on the week.

## Get Finlandia Athletics Updates on Your Cell Phone

Attention Finlandia Lions sports fans! You can now receive Athletics text updates (scores, scheduling, announcements, etc.) on your cell phone. To sign up for text updates from any or all your favorite Lions teams, link to [http://www.fulions.com/member/sms\\_signup.aspx](http://www.fulions.com/member/sms_signup.aspx).



## Clinics Canceled

The Finlandia Softball and Baseball programs announce that their 2011 winter clinics for 3rd to 12th graders have been canceled. The hitting league, however, will take place as originally planned.

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November 17 students from Marilyn Clark's UNS100 class took advantage of the first snow to built a snowman outside Mannerheim Hall. Pictured (left to right) are Clifford Mann, Katy Miller, Brittany Engman, Justin Scott, Travis Armstrong, Jordan Marr, Clancy McNeil, Zach Hanson, Darryl Stone, Jeremy Ly, and Ryan Bradley (in front). Photo by Heather Dunne.

## NCAA 2011 Men's Soccer Awards

Finlandia is proud to announce that two Men's Soccer student-athletes won awards for their play in the 2011 season. Freshman defender Clifford Mann (Lake Orion) was named to the Second Team, and freshman midfielder Edward Smith (Traverse City, Minn.) won the Sportsmanship award.



*Edward Smith*

## Torala on AD31 Second Team

The 2011 All-Independent



*Mallory Torala*

(Calumet). For more information, visit [www.d3independents.org](http://www.d3independents.org).

Women's Volleyball Teams of the Assoc. of DIII Independents includes on the Second Team senior setter Mallory Torala

## Lions Lend a Hand at Goalie Clinic

November 29, Finlandia Men's Hockey coaches and players helped out at the Calumet Goalie Clinic at the George Gibb Ice Arena.

The weekly all-ages developmental clinic teaches the fundamentals that every goalie must learn to succeed at any level.

The Finlandia group included assistant coach Gary Kruzich, video coach Brett Ritter, Cole Workman, Brady Bekkala, Justin Scott, Kevin Smith, Jordan Marr, and Vinny Pietrangelo.



*Hilary Virtanen and her daughter, Audrey Stewart, in traditional Finnish dress at the December 1 Finnish flag raising*



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## Shakiera Armstrong AD31 Player of the Week

Finlandia sophomore forward Shaikiera Armstrong (Somerset, N.J.) was named the Association of Division III Independents Women's Basketball Player of the Week for the week of November 28.



Shaikiera Armstrong

Armstrong led the Lions this past week in points, rebounds, and blocks, in which she averaged 19, 9.7, and 1.33 per game, respectively. Armstrong shot a blistering 68.8% (11-of-16) from the floor in a 63-59 loss to Alverno as she compiled 25 points and seven rebounds. She also produced a pair of double-doubles on the week.

She was also named Finlandia's Athlete of the Week the same week.

## NCAA Leadership Forum A Success

by Brittany Garland

Attending the NCAA Leadership Forum November 3 to 6 in Chicago was an amazing experience.

Sometimes, as a Division III athlete, I feel like I am really the lucky one.

Division I and II athletes are televised on ESPN and Fox Sports, put on billboards, and have their jerseys sold everywhere, etc... But what we neglect to realize is Division III athletes have the highest population of student athletes, the highest graduation rate, and the highest success rate after college than all other NCAA athletes.

If we think about it, we are the lucky ones.

While attending the NCAA Leadership Forum, I met hundreds of athletes, coaches, and athletic

directors from all over the country. It was such an eye-opener to realize, "I'm not the only one."

I learned that to be a leader doesn't necessarily mean you are a



Finlandia student-athletes and coaches at the 2011 NCAA Leadership Forum in Chicago

captain. To be a leader is to command respect everywhere you go. You must acknowledge your mistakes—not just to yourself, but in front of your team/coach—and fix those mistakes.

A leader also has to work on and off the field, not just with your sport, but in every aspect of your life. You must get involved with school functions, be the biggest fan of your

fellow athletes, and get involved with the community.

To be a leader you must be authentic,

listen without judging, help develop other people, and share the power.

I brought back so many ideas—not to improve my own team, but to improve my university's athletics.

We must come together as one unit and support each other on and off the field, get involved with the community in ways that we wouldn't necessarily think of, and act as a group to represent Finlandia University in the best way we can.

## Lions Athletics Schedule

### Men's Basketball

12/10, Coll. of St. Scholastica, 5 pm CST  
12/16, Crown Coll., 6:30 pm CST  
12/17, Presentation Coll., 5 pm CST  
12/20, Olivet Coll., 7 pm EST  
12/21, Alma Coll., 7 pm EST  
12/28, Northern Mich. Univ., 7:30 pm EST  
12/30, Milwaukee School of Eng., 8 pm CST  
1/3, Marian Univ., 7 pm CST  
1/4, Lakeland Coll., 7 pm CST  
**1/14, Silver Lake Coll., 3 pm EST**  
1/18, UW-Eau Claire, 7 pm CST  
1/24, Northland Coll. (Wis.), 7:30 pm CST

### Men's Hockey

12/9, UW-Superior, 7:05 pm CST  
12/10, UW-Superior, 5 pm CST  
1/13, Concordia Univ., 7:30 pm CST  
1/14, Concordia Univ., 2 pm CST  
**1/20, Lake Forest Coll., 7:15 pm EST**  
**1/21, Lake Forest Coll., 4 pm EST**  
1/27, Marian Univ., 8 pm CST  
1/28, Marian Univ., 4 pm CST

### Women's Basketball

12/10, Coll. of St. Scholastica, 3 pm CST  
Post Exam Jam Tournament

12/16, Hope Coll., 8 pm EST  
12/17, Ithaca or Robert Morris Coll., 1 or 3 pm CST  
12/28, Northern Mich. Univ., 5:30 pm EST  
12/30, Milwaukee School of Eng., 6 pm CST  
1/3, Marian Univ., 5 pm CST  
1/4, Lakeland Coll., 5 pm CST  
1/9, Judson Univ., 6 pm CST  
**1/14, Silver Lake Coll., 1 pm EST**  
1/20, Mount Mary Coll., 7 pm CST  
1/21, Cardinal Stritch Univ., 1 pm CST  
1/24, Northland Coll., 5:30 pm CST  
**1/28, Mount Mary Coll., 1 pm EST**

### Women's Hockey

**12/9, UW-Superior, 5 pm EST**  
**12/10, UW-Superior, 12 pm EST**  
**1/13, UW-Stevens Point, 7 pm EST**  
**1/14, UW-Stevens Point, 2 pm EST**  
1/20, Marian Univ., 7 pm CST  
1/21, Marian Univ., 2 pm CST  
**1/27, Adrian Coll., 7 pm EST**  
**1/28, Adrian Coll., 2 pm EST**

**Home games in bold**

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## “Through the Pane”

Finlandia University student-artists will present a temporary “pop-up” art gallery at the Keweenaw Community Foundation, Hancock, during the month of December 2011.

The exhibit, titled “Through the Pane,” is a collection of personal photos mounted on old paint-chipped frame windows, all of them created by International School of Art & Design students.

“The exhibit is designed to evoke feelings of nostalgia and encourage a sense of community,” says exhibition co-coordinator Cait Spera, a junior Art & Design student from Iron Mountain. “We organized this exhibit to encourage the community to visit and shop in downtown Hancock.”

Using a technique involving a matte medium and photocopies, the artworks were created by transferring photos onto panes of glass. Photos subjects include first haircuts, swing sets, weddings, Christmas in the 1960s (complete with silver trees), and of course the U.P.’s beloved (and dreaded) snow.

The students featured Melanie Houghton (Muskegon), Jessica Hurkmans (Kingsford), James Mars (L’Anse), Amanda Mears (Houghton), Mike Simila (Hancock), Cait Spera (Iron Mountain), and Amanda Yoder (Florence, Wis.).

The Keweenaw Community Foundation is at 236 Quincy Street in downtown Hancock.

For information, e-mail Cait Spera, exhibition co-coordinator, at



*Kay Seppala (far left) leads a kantele ensemble at the Finnish Independence Day celebration December 1 at the Finnish American Heritage Center*

## Spring Enrichment Classes Begin January 9

The Finlandia University Finnish American Heritage Center has announced its spring 2012 community enrichment classes. The following ten-week community enrichment classes begin the week of January 9, 2012. All classes meet at the Finnish American Heritage Center, 435 Quincy Street, Hancock.

**Beginning Finnish:** Mondays beginning January 9, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. The class is instructed by Liisa Manninen; the cost is: \$50 per person.

**Intermediate Finnish:** Tuesdays beginning January 10, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The class is instructed by Anna Leppänen; the cost is: \$50 per person.

**Advanced Finnish:** Tuesdays beginning January 10, 6:30 to 7:30

p.m. the class is instructed by Hannu Leppänen; the cost is \$50 per person.

To register for classes or for more information, contact Hilary Virtanen, FAHC programming coordinator, at 906-487-7505.



*René Johnson with the “world’s greatest bowler,” Mika Koivuniemi, December 2. René represented Finlandia at a reception for the Finnish bowler at the Rock House, Houghton. René is wearing her father’s old bowling shirt, which Koivuniemi signed for her.*



See more  
Finlandia photos at  
[finlandia.edu/photo-galleries](http://finlandia.edu/photo-galleries)

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## Video8 Playback or Recorder Needed

The Finnish American Heritage Center Archive recently received several videocassettes in the Video8 format (small cassettes that resemble tiny VHS tapes), which need to be digitized quite soon.

As we don't have a Video8 playback machine or a Video8 camcorder, we're hoping that someone in the Finlandia community has one in their attic or closet that we may borrow for a week or two. We'd like to transfer some rare footage of the well-known Finnish American musician, Sylvester Ahola.

If anyone has one they can lend, please contact Hilary Virtanen at the FAHC ([hilary.virtanen@finlandia.edu](mailto:hilary.virtanen@finlandia.edu), 906-487-7505).



*In honor of Finnish Independence Day, a Finnish flag is raised outside the Finnish American Heritage Center on December 1. The new flagpole and flag were donated to by the Finlandia University International Alumni Board.*



*The Contemporary Finnish American Artist Series 20th Year Retrospective exhibit catalog (cover pictured above) can be purchased through the office of the International School of Art & Design (Lisa Broemer, 906-487-7225) and at Finlandia's North Wind Books. The 48-page soft cover book includes 19 full-color reproductions of the artwork featured in the exhibit, as well as*

## Current Staff and Faculty Job Openings

*Please note: More details and the complete job descriptions for these current job openings can be found at [www.finlandia.edu/human-resources](http://www.finlandia.edu/human-resources).*

### **Adjunct Instructor, Medical Assistant**

**Position Summary:** The Adjunct Instructor in the Medical Assistant program is primarily responsible for the teaching and supervision of sophomore-level Medical Assistant students in classroom and laboratory settings.

### **Manager, Admissions**

**Position Summary:** The Manager of Admissions is responsible for the overall supervision and coordination of all Admissions Department functions.

### **Archivist, Finnish American Heritage Center & Historical Archive**

**Position Summary:** The Archivist is primarily responsible for the archive's collections including, but not limited to, receiving, accessing, and preserving archival material, artifacts, art, and other materials related to the history and culture of North American Finns.

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1st Place-Greg Green, "Martyrdom of St. Equine," mixed media



3rd Place-Dave Sarazin, "Sphere," repurposed hex nuts



Faculty member Greg Green, student Audrey Small, and staff member Dave Sarazin came out on top at the Reflection Gallery's juried Art with Repurpose exhibition. Student Reflection Gallery director Cait Spera is on the far right.



## Verizon Discount for Finlandia Employees

Finlandia employees who currently have lines of service with Verizon Wireless are eligible to receive up to 19% off of their monthly access fee, up to 19% off data pricing, and 25% off accessory purchases.



Tim Jaska

Finlandia employees not currently Verizon Wireless customers are eligible for the same discounts by starting service with Verizon Wireless. In most cases, new Verizon customers can use their current cell phone number.

It's simple to claim these discounts. You'll need to present a current Finlandia pay stub and a

legal photo ID. The Finlandia employee must be the primary name on the Verizon Wireless account, must be using Verizon Wireless devices, and must have a Verizon rate plan.

Alltel plans can be update to Verizon plans to take advantage of the discount.

If you have questions or want to take advantage of the Finlandia employee discount, contact Tim Jaska, Verizon Wireless representative, at 906-231-9394, or visit the Verizon store behind Applebee's in Houghton.

Tim Jaska is a Finlandia alumnus with a B.B.A. in marketing and communications. He played Lions



2nd Place-Audrey Small, "May 1960," leaves, birch bark, canvas, frame, photo

hockey in 2005-06. Jaska is the current vice president of the Finlandia Blue Line Club.

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## ATM Survey

Below is a link to a short survey to gauge interest in the installation of a Superior National Bank ATM outside the cafeteria in Finlandia Hall. Kindly take a minute or two to complete the survey before December 15.

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22DZ58NMW6S>

## Business Cards and Name Tags Orders Due by January 5

Publications is pulling together a business card and name tag order. To place an order, fill out the departmental requisition(s) and a business card and/or name tag order form. Please send the completed forms to Brad Beaudette before January 5.

If you're ordering both business cards and name tags, two separate departmental requisitions are needed.

—Brad Beaudette  
brad.beaudette@finlandia.edu  
Phone: 906-487-7289



*The Finlandia University Singers and the Finlandia Pride Pep Band presented a concert December 8 at the Chapel of St. Matthew*



*Campus Ministry collected donations for the Salvation Army December 3 at Goodwill, Houghton*

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## Year End Reminders from HR

As we approach the end of 2011, there are few items employees are asked to review.

**Income Tax Withholding.** Please review your federal or state income tax status, including changes to marital status and number of allowances/dependents. If you need to make changes to your tax withholding for 2012, please contact the Payroll or HR office to obtain Form W-4. If you have declared "exempt" from withholding, you will be notified separately to recertify your status by completing a new W-4 prior to February 2012 per state and federal requirements.

**Mailing Address.** Please review your address as printed on your check stub. If your address is incorrect, please complete and return the attached address change form. Return address change forms by December 16th, 2011 to ensure that the address printed on your 2011 W-2 is accurate. The address printed on your paycheck/stub is the last reported address HR has on file.

Retirement Plan . If you would like to start contributing or change

contribution amounts to the retirement plan, please contact HR. Please be advised that all employees may elect to participate in the salary deferral retirement plan. Employees have universal availability to participate in this benefit, regardless of full or part-time employment status. If you participate in the salary deferral to the Finlandia 403(b) plan and you also contribute to another employer's 401(k)/403(b) plan, please also be advised that that annual limits on deferrals apply and you should contact HR to discuss coordination of your elective deferrals to stay within the annual limits.

**Beneficiary Designations.** It is a good practice to periodically evaluate your beneficiary designations for life insurance and retirement plans (if eligible and/or participating). If you have had a change to your life situation this year and you would like to make changes to your beneficiaries, contact HR.

**Health/Dental/Vision Insurance** (full-time employees only). If you are participating in University health/dental/vision plans, you must notify HR within 30 days if any covered dependent ceases to be eligible or to add a dependent/spouse due to a qualified event. As a reminder, the health plan allows children to remain on the plan through the end of the calendar year the child turns 26 years old, regardless of student status. The dental plan permits a child to remain on the plan with the payment of a family continuation premium from age 19 through the end of the calendar year of age 25 if the child is a full-time student. The vision plan allows children to stay on the plan through age 25 regardless of student status. The insurance company and/or the University reserve the right to require verification of eligibility for spouse and dependent coverage.

If you have any questions on any



Artist Kathleen Oettinger speaks about her art December 1 at the Finnish Independence Day celebration

## 2011 Walking Challenge Recap

The Finlandia Health and Wellness Committee has announced that mathematics professor Sherry Blust won the 2011 Walking Challenge for most minutes walked. History professor Dan Maki was this year's most consistent walker.



History professor Dan Maki



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## 2nd Sunday: Finnish Music, Dance, Food

The December 11 Second Sunday Folk Dance, at Fortune Lake Camp in Crystal Falls, will feature a concert and dance with special guest bands "Kaivama" and "White Water."

Finnish-American musicians Sara Pajunen and Jonathan Rundman form the folk duo "Kaivama." The duo has tapped into an unforeseen demand for fresh, energetic music rooted in the Finnish-American experience.

Pajunen and Rundman grew up in the Northwoods. The landscapes of their childhoods—long winters, lakeside saunas, rugged terrain, and solitude—echo in the music of their



Brian Foreman at the December 1 opening reception for "Art with Repurpose" at the Reflection Gallery



The Finlandia student PTA Club conducted a pop can drive October 29, raising about \$300 to donate to charitable organizations. Pictured above are (left to right) Gina Kilpela, Jenny Johnson, Michelle Juopperi, Emmett Heine, Darren Lasanen, Andy Roell, Caitlin Schroeder, Hannah Zowada, Nikki Trevarthen, and Carlye Buchcuski. Not pictured, but involved in the pop drive, are Jason Gray and Stacy Gray.

new self-titled debut album.

As Pajunen and Rundman explore the music of their ancestors, both ancient and modern Finnish influences are revealed: danceable rhythms, joyous melodies, icy whispers, sleek construction, primal drones, and poppy hooks.

Sara Pajunen's skills as a violinist have earned her degrees from the University of Minnesota and the Helsinki Conservatory in Finland.

Multi-instrumentalist Jonathan Rundman has toured the U.S. and Europe as a troubadour songwriter, collecting raves from publications such as *Paste*, *Billboard*, and *The New York Times*.

The White Water band will be made up of Dean and Bette Premo, with Emma, Carrie, and Susan Dlutkowski. Violinists Emma and Carrie are long-time members of the U.P. classical music scene and for the last four years they have been frequent performers with White Water along with their mother, Susan, on piano.

The White Water ensemble will play the music of Konsta Jylhä (1910-1984), a folk-virtuoso who made

traditional pelimanni-style folk music a Finnish cultural phenomenon.

The contemporary Kaustinen, Finland, violinist, Mauno Järvelä, has made it his life's work to document and make available to fiddlers worldwide the music of Jylhä. Järvelä provided the music to White Water.

The event takes place at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp, between Iron River and Crystal Falls, on US-2.

The Second Sunday Folk Dance series is the largest, longest running event of its kind. Activities begin at 4:00 p.m. CST with a concert by White Water and Kaivama, followed by dance music for Finnish polkas, waltzes, and schottisches.

Finnish desserts and coffee will be served during the dance. Bring your favorite ethnic treats to share.

The entertainment lasts until 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$7 for those over 15. Children 15 and under are admitted free.

For information, call 906-822-7889 or visit <http://www.white-water-associates.com/second.htm>.

