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1-week	6/17	6/22	5/17	7-13	\$1,345	FI064YU05B
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High School Credit	6/17	7/13	5/17	13-18	\$5,710	FI064CR26B

\*Opting into scholarships greatly reduces the cost of attendance.  
See the "Scholarship Corner" on page 3 or visit [salolampi.org](http://salolampi.org) for more information.



# KIITOKSET

The Salolampi Foundation is sad to say goodbye to two invaluable members of our board of directors.

**Heidi Marttila-Losure** served on our board for over 10 years. Heidi was a villager, summer staff member, and director, and she supported our correspondence with donors. We are grateful for her decades of dedication to Salolampi.

**Mark Kellaher** was also a villager and summer staff member, and has served in a leadership position on the Salolampi Foundation board for the past five (5) years. He has helped us to make sound financial decisions that have strengthened the Foundation and ensured its sustainability for future generations.

We are grateful for the service of our board members, who have helped to make Salolampi a great place to learn and grow. We know that they will continue to make significant contributions to the world. *Monet kiitokset.*

## ADVENTURE DAY CAMP 2024

Consider spending a vacation in the Bemidji, MN area this summer while your child enjoys Salolampi's Adventure Day Camp. Running from 9 am - 5pm, this affordable introduction to Salolampi allows younger villagers to learn Finnish and enjoy activities, sports, and a mid-day meal on-site.

Join the fun and register now at [www.concordialanguagevillages.org](http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org)

June 10-15, 2024

Bemidji, MN Ages 6-11 \$375

## CLUB SALOLAMPI FOR KIDS

Club Salolampi is for youth age 10-18 who want to learn Finnish online from home during the school year. Join the fun at an affordable price! Register at [www.concordialanguagevillages.org](http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org)

March 9-April 20, 2024

Virtual Ages 10-18 \$230

# SALOLAMPI DEAN'S LETTER

by Jennifer Jenna Porter Pulju

Now that we're settling into winter and summer days in the Salolampi sauna seem far removed, the Finnish chatter and talk about Salolampi has started to pick up again in our Colorado home. Our children are thinking about their summer plans (and are very vocal about how they think Salolampi can be even better!), wondering who will be there and what they'll do. You and your children or grandchildren may be wondering the same things, so here is a summer update.

Our summer team is coming together and we are pulling our ideas together for new and engaging activities, games, and projects. Great counselors, credit teachers, and leadership staff who are passionate about teaching Finnish, creating our Finnish atmosphere, and getting to know our youth and adult villagers are making plans for your arrival.

As far as what we'll do this summer, you can count on some Salolampi favorites like swimming and sauna, crafting and baking, sports, and evening programs. We will also be putting on a stage production in 2024 on our tanssilava, so get ready for the spotlight! The production will also include set construction, filming, and costume design, so even if you're not ready to take the stage as an actor, there will be fun ways to be involved. Several of our staff members will be working on this project in the spring, so look for updates on (and staff spotlights!) on our social media pages.

We are also pleased to be bringing back our family week this summer. This is an opportunity for families to come to Salolampi together to enjoy each other and our programming. We will be offering programming for adults and children both separately and for everyone together. The schedule in 2024 will be a mix between the typical Adult Week schedule and our Youth schedules, with daily time to go to the beach and sauna, language classes, activities, cultural presentations, and evening programs. We hope you'll consider coming with your children, grandchildren, parents, and others!

This summer Salolampi will host an Adult Week in May, a Family Week and Adventure Day Camp in June, and Youth Sessions (one-, two-, and four-week sessions, plus the high school credit program) in June and July. Find more information in the Sanomat and on the new Concordia Language Villages website: [www.concordialanguagevillages.org](http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org).

Nähdään kesällä!

**Jenna**





# MEMORIAL & TRIBUTE GIFTS

Your contributions to Salolampi scholarships make it possible for young people to attend our programs. We are grateful to receive **memorial** contributions made "in memory" of individuals at the time of their death. Another option is a **tribute** gift made "in honor" of a living individual, for example, on a significant birthday, anniversary, or other life milestone.

To make a memorial or tribute contribution, visit [www.salolampi.org](http://www.salolampi.org) and click on "Donate", or send a check payable to the Salolampi Foundation at P.O. Box 14480, Minneapolis, MN 55414-0480.

Please indicate the name of the individual or family for whom the memorial or tribute is given and the name and address of the contributor so that we can send you an acknowledgment and receipt.

Memorial and tribute gifts are invested in the Salolampi Endowment fund unless other arrangements are made. All gifts are recognized in the Salolammen Sanomat (see page 7).



## SCHOLARSHIP CORNER

The mission of the Salolampi Foundation is to sustain the Finnish language and culture through scholarships and program support to the Salolampi Finnish Language Village. Many scholarships are available to reduce the cost of attending Salolampi. See below for more information.

Scholarship Organization	Scholarship Type/Amount	Information
Salolampi Foundation	Opt-in scholarships for youth villagers, 25% of tuition for all residential programs (up to \$50,000 available for all villagers, first come, first serve.)	Apply by filling out the CLV Passport Fund form when you register for a session and OPT-IN. More information at <a href="http://www.salolampi.org/scholarships/automatic">www.salolampi.org/scholarships/automatic</a>
FACA Twin Cities (Finnish American Cultural Activities, Inc.)	Children or relatives of FACA members	Please contact FACA directly for more information. <a href="http://www.finnfaca.org">www.finnfaca.org</a>
Finlandia Foundation National	First-come, first-served scholarships for youth villagers, \$300 Travel Grants	Apply by filling out the form and returning it to FFN by email <a href="mailto:finlandiafoundation.org/programs/salolampi-finnish-language-village/">finlandiafoundation.org/programs/salolampi-finnish-language-village/</a>
Finlandia Foundation local chapters	Check with individual chapters	Please contact individual chapters for more information.
Concordia Language Villages Passport Fund	Needs-based scholarships for residential youth villagers	Apply by filling out the form when you register for a session <a href="http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/scholarships-faq">www.concordialanguagevillages.org/scholarships-faq</a>
MN Office of Higher Education Enrichment Stipend	Opt-in scholarships for youth villagers, 25% of tuition for all residential programs	<a href="http://www.concordialanguagevillages.org/youth-dates-and-rates/costs-and-scholarships/mn-department-of-higher-education-scholarships">www.concordialanguagevillages.org/youth-dates-and-rates/costs-and-scholarships/mn-department-of-higher-education-scholarships</a>
Ken Daniels Memorial Scholarship Fund	Varies	In memory of Board member, Ken <i>Erkki</i> Daniels. Please email the Daniels family at <a href="mailto:danielsperhe@g.com">danielsperhe@g.com</a> for info on how to apply.



# FALL WORK WEEKEND

*by Paavo Taipale*

During the weekend of September 15-17, 2023, the Salolampi Foundation organized our twice annual Salolampi Work Weekend. Over 30 volunteers participated, and provided and estimated 225 hours of service. Many tasks were completed throughout the weekend. Volunteers included current and former board members, summer staff, villagers, parents and family of villagers, and friends of Salolampi.

**Special thanks to John Laitinen** who led work weekend, CLV for assisting with logistics, dining, and hospitality, and to our volunteers, including: **Jeff and Laura Bernard Moon, the Brauer Family, Amber Lea Briggs, Richard Castro, Linda and Stanley Davis, Carol Devries, Grant and Wayne Ebeling, Sheena Gibbons, Patricia Grimes, Susan Harstad, Helena Hathaway, Roger Howley, Katie-Rose Imbriano, Lyndon Johnson, Marc Johnson, Brian Kays, Annaliisa Kovanen, John Laitinen, Pirjo Leva, Kristi Loeck, Kyle Mäkelä, Andrea Murrill and family, Sue Romano, Eli Lahti-Schlotec, and Paavo Taipale.**

Visitors to Salolampi this year will notice that the log cabin *Lappi* has a brand new porch, courtesy of Mike Brauer and Brian Kays (see photo at bottom right).

Other tasks completed during work weekend include:

- cut, split, and stacked firewood by sauna
  - re-painted railings and trim around pankki/kiosk
  - tuned kanteles and remade song boards
  - weeded rock gardens, brick path, and nuotio area
  - pruned gardens including behind yellow building and around main building
  - raked/cleaned up around cabins
  - cleaned up and organized library
  - cleaned up and organized craft room
  - warped looms for adult week
  - organized storage area above yellow building
  - cleaned up lumber pile behind yellow building
- ...and so much more!

Start making plans now to attend our **Spring Work Weekend May 17-19, 2024**. Anyone over 18 is welcome anyone and there is no cost to participate. RSVP at [www.salolampi.org](http://www.salolampi.org).







## 4 Ways to Donate to Our Scholarship Fund Today

The Foundation accepts donations to the scholarship fund year round. Learn more below.

### Online (preferred)

The easiest way to donate to Salolampi is online at [www.salolampi.org](http://www.salolampi.org).

### Venmo

Another easy way to donate is on your cellphone using the Venmo app. Just scan the code below to donate or find us on the Venmo app @SalolampiFoundation.



### Retirement Account

In the future, please consider Salolampi in your financial planning of IRA disbursements, wills, trusts, etc. Please remember the far-reaching impact of Salolampi in the lives of our villagers and their families.

### Check

Finally, you can still mail us a check at:

Salolampi Foundation

P.O. Box 14480

Minneapolis, MN 55414-0480

Email [info@salolampi.org](mailto:info@salolampi.org) to learn more about giving opportunities.

## PHONE-A-THON THANK YOU

by Linda Warpula Davis

It is with mixed feelings that I bid farewell to the operations and management of the Phone-a-thon for the past 40 years. It has been a privilege and joy talking to our Finnish folks. Many of our callers sharpened their Finnish speaking skill as they raised the much-needed scholarship dollars. They have called their family, friends and interested Finns and non-Finns asking for support.

The money raised allowed youth to enjoy the Salolampi experience of Finnish food, crafts, games, language, sauna, swimming to the raft, and the total Finnish immersion experience. Most importantly, friendships and close relationships at Salolampi have been built that have led to trips to Finland, a Finn-to-Finn marriage, schooling and living in Finland, locating Finnish ancestry and on and on.

I am filled with immense gratitude and warmth as I reflect on the incredible dedication and devotion of our volunteers. Their unwavering commitment to Salolampi has profoundly impacted the lives of so many villagers and their families. **My deepest appreciation is extended to our scholarship donors. Their support enabled so many villagers the affordability to attend Salolampi.** Kiitos paljon to them. So many villagers have said they wouldn't have been able to attend Salolampi without the financial assistance.

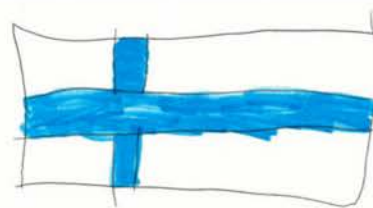
Three former chairpersons should be recognized and congratulated for their wisdom, guidance, and direction in structuring our fundraising efforts over the years. Hats off to **Marlene Banttari, Evelyn Eskeli and Ruthann Swanson.** A thousand Kiitos to them!

### 2023 Phone-a-thon Volunteers

Claudia Adkins	Ashley Lund
Elsie Barnaby	Harri Marttinen
Joanne Bergman	Karen Käkälä Michael
Laura Bernard Moon	Judy Mikkola
Junelle Bernard	Louise Morgan
Edith Boos	Marlene Moreno
Richard Castro	Andrea Murrill
Gwyn & Mark Curran	Ivy & Marvin Nevala
Bonnie & Doug Devorik	Andreas Ostenso
Mary Ann Goms	Urho & Pamela Rahkola
John Hanson III	Dan & Delores Salin
Frank Hanson	Kaisa Taipale
Roger & Marilyn Harma	Bernice Tenquist
Katie-Rose Imbriano	Arlene Putikka Tucker
Curtis & Mary Jo Jackson	Izabella Usitalo
John & Kathryn Jorgensen	Tiina L. Watts
Jeanette Karjala	Aino Wheler
Gil Kinnunen	Matt Wiitala
Lynn Laakkonen	Julie A. Wood

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Donations September 1 – December 31, 2023



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**Elaine Anuta**  
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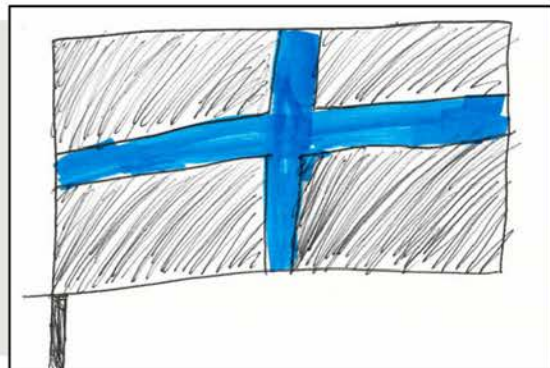
**Ruthann Swanson**  
Carol Jackson



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In the words of villagers...

Dear Salolampi Foundation,  
Thank you for giving me money for my first year of Salolampi! I want to go back every year!



To anyone who has donated to Salolampi,

This was my third time going to Salolampi, and I'm so grateful that we have the resources to continue offering a Finnish camp. Learning Finnish is very important to me. However, there aren't many Finnish communities where I live, so thank you for allowing more people interested in Finnish to come to Salolampi and form a community. That means so much to me. Paljon kiitoksia, **Ainikki**

Thank you so much. I love camp. **Sanna**

Dear Salolampi Foundation,

Thank you for providing an opportunity for American Finnish youth to learn about the Finnish language and culture scholarships that you gave me. I am so grateful for all that I've learned and it will help me so much when travelling to Finland and talking to my grandma. Sincerely, **Eeva**

Thank you very much for helping pay for Salolampi camp this year. I had so much fun at Salolampi. The food is great and the games are super fun. My favorite activity was butter knife making... You guys are so helpful. Thank you! Thank you so much. **Toivo**

Dear Salolampi Foundation,

Thank you for the scholarships you graciously donated to this beautiful camp and the many opportunities we've received. I can't wait to come back next year and learn more about Finnish culture and the Finnish language. Thanks once again for the scholarship to aid my language learning journey. **Aku**

Thank you so much for letting us learn and grow at this camp. Thank you for the scholarships - that is what lets me come here every year and have the best time. Thank you. **Sonja**



# SANAHAKU - PAIKAT SALOLAMMELLA

Test your knowledge of Finnish by finding the names of places at Salolampi in the *sanahaku* or word search below. Words can be found in any direction, Including diagonals, and can overlap each other.

Z P A N K K I J R G I E X G J  
R A N T A L I P P U T A N K O  
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S U K S E K S Y E V R E T H J  
F H S W J X N U O T I O H W Y  
G S E P X K I R J A S T O H L  
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M Z W V A N U A S K I O S K I  
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## Word Bank

- |           |                   |                |                    |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 1. nuotio | 2. ruokasali      | 3. tanssilava  | 4. kioski          |
| 5. pankki | 6. sauna          | 7. luontopolku | 8. kirjasto        |
| 9. ranta  | 10. terveyskeskus | 11. lipputanko | 12. askarteluhuone |



CAN YOU FIND THE WORDS *KIOSKI* (LEFT) OR *NUOTIO* (ABOVE)?



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Adult Week	5/11	5/17	4/13	\$1,195	FI052AD06B
Family Week	6/10	6/15	5/15	\$875	FI063FA05B

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