

## February . . . yeah, sure!

I had hoped to get Vol. 2 No. 1 out in February. Increased work activity prevented that so, with apologies, here is the Spring edition of *SANOMA MAUKONEN*. In the last edition, I included the note printed below:

**Send News** - In the next edition (February 1997) of the newsletter, we will have more information from distant points. Please feel free to send news concerning your *Maukonen* household. There's room enough!

It has been good to hear from a number of you! If your correspondence to me contains matters of a personal nature, I will not put that into print so please indicate what you want other *Maukonens* to hear about.

## 1997 Get-together for Canadian Maukonens

This has been scheduled for July 5 in Orillia, Ontario. A map is included for Canadian readers. We would most warmly welcome *Maukonens* from the United States. If you are interested, please call and a map will be sent.

## Word from . . .

Since the last newsletter, I've had some contact with the following by letter, phone, or e-mail:

Ohio  
*Donna Maukonen*  
*Gertrude Maukonen*

Florida  
*Donna Maukonen*

Virginia  
*Diane Wise*

Ontario  
*Linda Baker*  
*Doris Galbraith*  
*Kirk & Linda Maukonen*

see **Information Superhighway**

## With special appreciation for our ladies

Although it is too late for a Mother's Day greeting, we should acknowledge four special ladies from the same generation of *Maukonens*. Fortunately we have a picture of each one. Have I missed identifying any?

From left to right: *Gertrude Maukonen* (wife of Waino; Conneaut, Ohio)  
*Doris Galbraith* (daughter of Kalle & Emma; Ottawa, Ontario)  
*Olga* (wife of Henry Ilmari; London, Ontario)  
*Agnes "Daisy"* (wife of Norman Lauri; Severn Bridge, Ontario)  
[*Daisy & Norman "stood up" for Olga & Henry at their wedding*]

*Waino and Gertrude on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary in 1981.*



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## More from the Information Superhighway

I continue using the Internet to gather more information posted on the world wide web about *Maukonens*. I wrote to get the address of the person maintaining *Maukonen* records at the Finnish Geneological Society but have not yet had a response.

In the last edition, I indicated having had an e-mail response from a *Maukonen* in Finland. Here is the message:

Subject: Re: possible family connection  
Date: Monday, 21 October 1996 14:36:36 +0300 (EET DST)  
From: Sami Juhani Maukonen <smaukone@cc.hut.fi>  
To: Bret Maukonen <hb.maukonen@sympatico.ca>

Dear Bret

I don't know if we are relations or not but it is nice to hear about you anyway. Do you live in Toronto right now? You wrote your grandpa lived in Mikkeli until 1903. What was his name? My father has a family map (understood?) but I don't know how far it goes. Anyway I can find out what I can about our relationship. What are you doing, how old are you? It would be nice to hear more about you and the other Maukonen's in States and Canada. Here is a little cv about me and my family.

Sami Maukonen, 22 years old, male. I study architecture in Helsinki university. My father is Juhani Maukonen and my mother Leena Maukonen (her old second name was Savolainen). I have one brother, Tomi Maukonen, he is now 18 and is studying in college (I think it is called college). While I'm not studying I usually go outdoors doing things like climbing (rock and ice), hiking, skiing and photographing. I also visit many art exhibitions which we have many in Helsinki. I have travelled quite a lot but never been in States or Canada. I have visited many European countries and been also in Egypt and Israel. Me and few of my friends have planned to go hiking and climbing in Canada but it's more like a dream because of money.

Thanks for your contact and I hope to hear more about you. Sami

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## Take me out to the . . .

. . . *pesäpallo* game. The what? While we may think of skiing as a characteristic Finnish sport, apparently a popular summer activity is a variation of what we North Americans call "baseball."

We have a number of baseball enthusiasts in Canada. Our family, living in the Toronto area, rooted for the Toronto Maple Leafs and Uncle Neil was able to get us tickets through his business contacts. Now, we have a loyalty towards the Blue Jays. The occasion for our meeting with Gertrude in Conneaut was on a trip to watch the Jays play the Cleveland Indians.

How about other *Maukonens*? Are there others who root for major league teams? I'd like to list your fan loyalty in the next edition. When you write or call, please include that information.

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## Calling all teachers . . .

As I have heard about other members of the family and thought about ones closer to home, I am struck by the number that entered the teaching profession. I wonder how many there are?

By the next edition, I should have compiled a list of educators. Please contact me if your name should be included and please indicate the grade or context of your teaching activity.

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### Thelma J. Maukonen 1908 - 1997

With regret we acknowledge the passing of Thelma J. Maukonen in Conneaut, Ohio on April 11. Thelma was the wife of Edwin O. Maukonen (who predeceased her in 1974) Thelma (nee Whitworth) was born September 12, 1908.

### Marriage Congratulations

We celebrate with Senga Maukonen who was married to Glenn Griffin on May 31, 1997. The wedding took place at the Anglican Church of the Redeemer at Severn Bridge. Senga and Glenn will be residing in Windsor, Ontario.

### Thank you

In December, I received a nice letter from Donna Maukonen (Canton, Ohio). She included a gift of money which covers the cost of production of this edition. It's encouraging to have interest shown by different clusters of *Maukonens*. Thank you, Donna.