



Expanding the banner

In early editions of *Sanoma Maukonen*, we had displayed the flags of Finland, Canada and the United States. Then we were able to include Sweden. With this edition, we're pleased to add the flag of Norway -- expanding to a five-nation banner.

Below is page 2 of a 14-page PDF document that can be found at www.maukon.com. Please visit the website and learn more about *Maukonens* who settled in Norway.

Maukonen family comes to Norway

Maukonen is the name of a large family in Finland – which also has a branch in Norway. The Norwegian branch has shortened the name to Maukon. You can find most, if not all, the members on the web address: <http://www.maukon.com>

The purpose of this writings is to give information of the Norwegian branch of the family – which started when Aino Onni Maukonen came to Norway in the beginning of the 1890s.

How it all started

It is of interest to say a few words about how this research started.

From some old papers, we knew that Aino Onnis father was **Johannes Maukonen** (or Juha). He was a school teacher in Loimaa (Loimalla) near Turku (Åbo).

This research started when I then used the Internet and searched for Johannes Maukonen. I was lucky to find his name in some old newspapers from Finland – “*Historiallinen sanomalehtikirjasto 1771-1890*”.

The name Johannes Maukonen appeared in a newspaper from 1889. The newspapers were on microfilm – and after some hunting I was able to find it. To me it looked like an obituary. Of course it was

written in Finnish – but *The Finnish Embassy* in Oslo was kind enough to translate it for me.

Aino Onni Maukonen was born in Liperi, Finland in 1874. He was the first child of Johannes Maukonen and his wife Maria Lovisa Auranen. The family moved to Loimaa near Åbo where Johannes was a school teacher.

Aino Onni attended the school “Finska lyceum in Åbo”. This must have been a school after the elementary school. Aino Onni finished this school in 1889 – approximately 16 years old. In 1892 he became an ordinary seaman and came in those years to Norway where he settled. He took the navigation exam (styrmandseksamen) in Tønsberg in 1896 – and got his sea captain diploma in 1910. He became a Norwegian citizen April 20, 1918. He died in Japan by heart attack, December 1, 1923 (only 49 years old).

Aino Onni married Jenny Mathilde (Hanssen) (1880 – 1912) and they had 4 children. His second wife was Ragna (Borge) and they had one child.

Out of the 5 children to Aino Onni only two of them have children and grandchildren. In conclusion: Aino Onni had 5 children, 6 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren and so far 15 great-great grandchildren.



Aino Onni Maukon(en)
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The author of this story is Thormod Henriksen who married into the *Maukonen* family.

His wife, Målfrid, is a true *Maukonen* – a granddaughter of Aino Onni.

Thank you, Thormod, for creating the family document shown at www.maukon.com and thank you for getting in contact with Finnish and Canadian *Maukonens*!

Support in 2005

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As well, Denny Butts hosts the *Maukonen* Family website at www.maukonen.org.

Thank you for your support.

Step aside Socrates, Plato by Tiffany Beck

Professor Ann Maukonen brushes her pink-and-blue bangs out of her eyes as she lectures her Humanistic Tradition class on Plato and Socrates.

"Ladies and gentlemen, the unexamined life is not worth living," she says. She tells her class that at age 13 she read those words, and they stuck with her. "I threw it out to the universe, and two years later it came to me one day." She said the answer for her life was to "learn all I can and help people."

In this dramatic fashion, Maukonen will incorporate many an anecdote of her personal life in her classroom material.

Talk with her for any length of time, and you will notice her quirky sense of humor, her love for her students and that what she teaches is not just part of a curriculum, it's her way of life.

After completing her master's in liberal studies at Rollins College, Maukonen was encouraged by UCF Professor Kristin Congdon to try for a teaching position. Maukonen has now been teaching humanities at UCF since 2001 as an adjunct professor. She searches through music files, creates her own class Web page and makes elaborate slideshows with pictures, maps and diagrams. "She goes way above and beyond the call of duty," said Nancy A. Stanlick, assistant professor of philosophy.

Maukonen said, "I love to teach and to learn. The best way to learn is to teach." She knew since high school that she wanted to be a liberal arts professor. "It's the whole *enchilada*," she said smiling. "I knew I loved art and everything else."

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Recognizing the "Maukonen" name

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Let's start somewhere near the beginning . . .

I was on the bridge of the passenger ship "Canadian Empress" waiting to depart Montreal on our upbound trip to Kingston, Ontario. The head office of St. Lawrence Cruise Lines had been good about sending maritime journals and newsletters for the attention of officers.

I was reading one called the *Great Lakes Log* and on the back page saw "*Maukonen*" in the obituary section. It literally took my breath away. We're such a small family and I did not expect to see our family name in an American publication. But there it was . . . Waino *Maukonen* of Conneaut, Ohio had passed away. I shared the information with my immediate family and planned some day to contact the *Maukonens* in Conneaut.

This summer, I had another strange experience concerning a ship, the "*Maukonen*" name and getting in contact with people. A writer and a photographer from the *Toronto Star* came onboard the "Chi Cheemaun" where I am working as First Mate. In the newspaper story about the ship, my name (Bret *Maukonen*) appeared with a quote. Weeks later, an envelope came to the ship addressed to me. Inside was a copy of a photograph of my 1959 birthday party! There was a note from Wilf, one of the boys in the picture. After 46 years, he still had the birthday picture and recognized the name "*Maukonen*."



Ted & Bret on board the M/S Chi Cheemaun, a passenger ferry operating to Manitoulin Island (the largest fresh water island in the world).

Brothers, Ted and Bret, were able to spend time together during the crossing that the car ferry "Chi Cheemaun" makes on the waters of Georgian Bay. Ted was on a golfing trip that circled Lake Huron up through the province of Ontario and south through Michigan.