



## Finnish American Folk Festival

Naselle School, 793 State Route 4, Naselle, Wash.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

[www.nasellefinnfest.com](http://www.nasellefinnfest.com)

# 40 YEARS, 20 FESTIVALS

## Finnish American Folk Festival returns to reunite

BY M.J. CODY

It seems unlikely that researching the use of simple words and phrases like “log truck,” “coffee” and “baking” would evolve into a multi-day

festival, but that’s what happened in Naselle, Washington.

The Finnish American Folk Festival celebrates its 40th year and 20th festival this July, having been held every other year since 1982 –

and it’s all thanks to Finnish linguist Pertti Virtaranta and graduate student Hanelle Johnson Korhola.

Curious about common word

Natalie St. John

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