

INVITATION TO THE GENERAL MEETING OF ESKIL PIIRA SUKUSEURA RY

Place Kuhmo Arts Center, Koulukatu 1, 88900 KUHMO, Finland
Time Sunday August 7, 2011 at 3.30 pm
Agenda According to the rules

The Board
Pekka Piironen
The President

INVITATION TO THE FAMILY REUNION IN THE KUHMO ARTS CENTER on Sunday August 7, 2011, AND ON A TRIP TO LENTIIRA VILLAGE on Saturday August 6, 2011

Dear Member of the Family Society,

The 15th Family Reunion is close. The general meeting and the family reunion will take place on the 6th and 7th of August 2011 in Kuhmo, in the home district of Eskil Piira. The long waited Family Book will be published during the weekend.

As usual Saturday is the day of excursions which this time head towards the village of Lentiira, a small but lively village near the Russian border about 40 km from the center of Kuhmo. We shall visit the local church, learn about the history and admire the beautiful scenery. Later in the evening there will be an informal get-together at a local hunting cottage near the center.

On Sunday we shall have the Family Reunion in Kuhmo Arts Center. The theme will be the Piira Family. We shall hear about the Family Book, its contents and making of it. Representatives of different family branches will tell about their families.

Because of transportation and catering we ask for you notice in advance if you want to participate the events. Marja-Liisa Lampinen, the secretary of the society, takes notices both by phone (+358 50 5954446) or by e-mail marja-liisa.lampinen(at)metropolia.fi (also in English).

PUBLISHING AND PRESALE OF THE FAMILY BOOK

The Family Book *Eskilin jälkeläisiä Piira – Piirainen – Piironen – Piironen (Descendants of Eskil)* will be published during the Reunion. The book tells about the history of the family society and genealogical research, it includes personal histories of family members and of course there are family tables. The book includes an Index of Persons with about 19000 names, more than 4700 family tables and over 130 pictures. The estimated number of pages is 900, page size is A4 and the book weights about 3.5 kg.

If you order the book from presale, also pay it before the 25th of July. The price is then 70 euros + postage costs. After the 25th of July the price will be 85 euros (+postage costs). Those of our foreign

members who are coming to the family reunion may pay the book in Kuhmo. With others living abroad and want to take advantage of the presale price we arrange the payment separately.

With this letter you receive an order form. You can also order the book on our Internet sites. Preordered books are available during the Family Reunion or they are sent later in August. During the Family Reunion the book is sold for 85 euros/piece.

Welcome to Kuhmo!

Pekka Piironen
President

Jorma Piirainen
Vice President, chairman of the book
publishing committee

PROGRAM 6th and 7th August

Trip to Lentiira Village on Saturday August 6, 2011

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| 9 – 11 | Meeting at Kuhmo Arts Center
Family Books available for paid preorders. Otherwise 85 euros/book. |
| 11.15 | Bus to Lentiira starts. Travelling costs 7 €/person (children half price) will be collected on the bus. Pay cash. |
| 12 | Church of Lentiira |
| 13 | Lunch (paid by the participants themselves) |
| about 14 | Guided tour in Lentiira
On the way back a stop at the Lentuankoski rapids if the weather is favorable |
| about 16 | Back in Kuhmo |

Get-together at Hunting Cottage on Saturday August 6, 2011 from 7 pm

Transportation will be arranged to and from. Price for transport including coffee 10 €/person. Please notice in advance to Marja-Liisa Lampinen. The bus starts at Kuhmo Arts Center at 7.00 pm. Meeting with other family members, snacks and light program. The cottage is about 15 km from the center.

Sunday August 7, 2011 in the morning

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| 9.30 | Flowers at the Solders' Graveyard in Kuhmo |
| 10.00 | Sunday Service at the Kuhmo Church |
| 11.00 | Gathering at Kuhmo Arts Center, coffee |

FAMILY REUNION (speaker Marja-Liisa Lampinen)

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| 12 | Song: Arvon mekin ansaitsemme (community singing) |
| 12.10 | Opening words
Pekka Piironen |
| 12.20 | Main Speech
Jorma Piirainen |

- 12.50 Music
- 13.00 Main Themes in the Family Book
Jorma Piirainen
- 13.30 From Old Man Tuomas (Ukko-Tuomas) Piironen to the Family Tree of Savolainen-Karanko
- Reverend Jorma Karanko and Ambassador Kari Karanko
The Trip of Antti Hermann Piirainen to America and his life there
- Dale Piirainen, interpreted by Marja-Leena Kampman
The Piirainens of Korholanmäki, Sotkamo
- Mrs. Rauha Määttänen
Greetings from the Parliament of Finland and Presentation of the Family
- Raimo Piirainen, Member of the Parliament
- 14.10 Music
- 14.20 Closing words
Jaakko Kampman
- 14.25 Song: Kainuun Marssi (community singing)
- 14.30 Lunch (paid by participants themselves)
- 15.30 General Family Meeting of Eskil Piira Sukuseura ry**
- 15.30 Board Meeting