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Dear Member of the Society,

the first half of the activity period of 2013 -14 can be described very active. The targets of the plan of action have been reached quite well. The tour to the United States in June of this year succeeded beyond all expectations and it has encouraged us to plan new trips later on. We have presented the family society and had exchange of info with other family societies e.g. by participating in the Kainuu in Helsinki fair. Our representatives have taken part in the yearly meetings of the family societies in Kainuu. We have also started a process aiming to change the interpretation of the Finnish tax authorities in the question of taxation of family societies.

You find travelogues and photos of our tour in America on our web sites *eskilpiira.fi*. In addition you can buy a CD with pictures from our trip on the web site in *Kauppa/myytävät tuotteet* (Shop/products). There are more than 500 pictures in the disk and the price is 20 e. Remember that you can buy in *Kauppa* (Shop) even the family book, emblem shield pins and pennants for your flagpole.

Next Family Reunion in Joensuu in 2015

The board has decided that the next family meeting and reunion takes place in the town of Joensuu (in Eastern Finland) on the 11th and 12th of July in 2015. We shall meet in Joensuu Science Park (www.carelian.fi). They provide excellent meeting facilities in the center of Joensuu. The Reunion and the official family meeting are on Sunday June 12th. On the previous day we shall make a trip and get to know the local sights of Northern Karelia. The details of this reunion will be published later on.

Genealogical research will continue and the latest results will be heard at the reunion. Especially the Piira tribe in Northern Savo and Northern Karelia will be closer researched. DNA-testing continues.

Please remember to let us know about changes in your address and other info. Go to our web site *Jäsenasiat* (Membership) or send mail to Mäntytiie 26, 88900 Kuhmo Finland.

We wish your autumn is filled with the rich harvest of this year.

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