

**INVITATION TO THE REGULAR FAMILY MEETING OF ESKIL PIIRA SUKUSEURA RY**

Place	Kuhmo Arts Center, Pajakka-hall Koulukatu 1 88900 Kuhmo, Finland
Date and time	Saturday the 6 <sup>th</sup> of July 2013 at 16.00 hrs
Agenda	1. According to the rules 2 Amendment to the rules of the family society. Amendment to the 3 <sup>rd</sup> article: The family meeting can nominate an honorary chairman and honorary members to the society. 3. Decision to nominate the honorary chairman and honorary members to the society.
	The Board  Pekka Piironen President of the Board

**INVITATION TO THE 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS OF THE ESKIL PIIRA FAMILY SOCIETY**

Dear member of the society,

The Eskil Piira Family Society was founded 30 years ago. We now invite you to participate the celebrations in Kuhmo on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of July.

**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Seminar**

The seminar will be held on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> of July beginning at 10.00 o'clock in the Pajakka-hall at Kuhmo Arts Centre. Several genealogists will tell about the different groups of the Piira-tribe living in various areas in Finland. The results of the Y-DNA –research coordinated by the society will be analyzed. We are looking for answers to following questions: Do the different groups of Piira-tribe have a common ancestor and where do we originally come from. Professor Kalevi Wiik has promised to give his expert opinion in this matter.

**Regular Family Meeting**

The regular family meeting will be held straight after the seminar at 4.00 o'clock pm in the same place. The new board will meet thereafter.

## Evening event

In the evening starting at 7 o'clock we get together at the log cabin of Kuhmon Urheilumetsästäjät (Kuhmo Sport Hunters). There will be coffee, snacks and other entertainment. The cabin is situated about 15 km from the center (at Jämäsjärventie 290). Bus transportation is arranged.

## 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

The celebration takes place on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> of July at 12.00 at Kuhmo Arts Centre. In the morning flowers will be laid on the Memorial of War Heroes at the Old Cemetery before attending to the church service in Kuhmo Church at 10.00 am.

Themes of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary are 30 years of the family society and new trends in genealogy. Honorary chairman and members will be presented and distinguished members are remembered with standards. The new coat of arms will be presented. It presents the life's work of Eskil Piira – acting as a trader of salt and as a dragoon. Eskil Piira was a dragoon in the troops of about 30 men that Count Per Brahe the Younger (Governor General in Finland 1637 – 1640 and 1648 - 1654) had hired in order to protect Kainuu's eastern borders in the 1700<sup>th</sup> century, Kari Piironen, the Tango King of 1988, performs with orchestra.

## Exhibition

The lobby of Kuhmo Arts Centre offers excellent possibility for an exhibition during the anniversary. Now we turn to you for help. If you have any material concerning our family, photos, pictures, maps, genealogical researches, handicraft etc. please contact us (Pekka Piironen or Marja-Liisa Lampinen). The material should be brought to Kuhmo Arts Center on Sunday by 10.30. Please note that we have no insurance for the exhibition.

The Family Book *Eskilin jälkeläisiä*, banners and badges will be sold in the lobby.

For the catering arrangements please notice in advance if you are going to join the seminar, general meeting and/or the anniversary celebration and also let us know if you have suitable material for the exhibition by June 30<sup>th</sup> 2013:

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Welcome! See you in Kuhmo!

Pekka Piironen  
president

Jorma Piirainen  
vice-president

## **PROGRAM 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

### **30th ANNIVERSARY SEMINAR AND FAMILY MEETING**

#### **Saturday July 6<sup>th</sup> in Pajakka-hall at Kuhmo Arts Centre**

- 10.00      Registration and welcoming coffee (offered by the society)
- 10.30      Opening of the seminar  
Pekka Piironen (president), the chairman of the seminar
- Piira-tribe, presentation and realization of then Y-DNA research  
Jorma Piirainen
- Lectures on the subject  
\* from the days of Henrich Piwra of Sastamala until today  
Ilkka Vuorisalo, Genealogists of Vammala area  
\* The Piironens of Heinävesi  
\* The Tirkkonens of Leppävirta-Niinimäki and Kaavi area  
\* The Liikanens and Piiras of Pudasjärvi Jongu area  
Coffee break  
\* The results of the Y-DNA research of Piira-tribe – does a Piira-tribe exist?  
\* Analyzing the research results
- Conversation
- Summery  
Jorma Piirainen
- Lunch (to be paid by participants)
- 16.00      The Official Family Meeting of Eskil Piira Sukuseura ry
- Meeting of the new Board
- 19.00      Informal evening event  
At the log cabin of Kuhmon Urheilumetsästäjät, Jämäsjärventie 290, Kuhmo  
Coffee, snacks, entertainment  
Bus transportation (fee)

## **THE 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF THE FAMILY SOCIETY**

**at Kuhmo Arts Centre on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

- 9.30            Flowers on the Memorial of War Heroes at the Old Cemetery
- 10.00           Service at Kuhmo Church, Riikka Pääkkönen (former Piirainen) preaches
- 11.00           Gathering at Kuhmo Arts Centre
- Greetings
- Coffee (offered by the society)

### **30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

- 12.00           Community singing: Arvon mekin ansaitsemme  
                  Leading singer Kari Piironen, Tango King of 1988
- 12.10           Opening words  
                  Pekka Piironen
- 12.20           Greeting from the town of Kuhmo  
                  Eila Valtanen, the mayor
- 12.30           Music  
                  Kari Piironen and Kopsu-orchestra
- 12.40           30 years of Eskil Piira Sukuseura  
                  Pekka Piironen
- 13.10           Latest news of genealogy in the research of Piira-tribe  
                  Jorma Piirainen
- 13.30           Nominating and presenting the honorary chairman and honorary members of the  
                  family society  
                  Pekka Piironen
- 13.50           Thanking and remembering distinguished members
- 14.10           Music  
                  Kari Piironen and Kopsu-orchestra
- 14.30           Closing words  
                  Marja-Liisa Lampinen
- 14.40           Community singing: Kainuun marssi
- 15.00           Lunch (to be paid by the participants)