

## Invitation to the Klami Family Reunion

Dear members of the Klami family,

The days are becoming longer here in Finland. Soon it will be spring. Many of us already have summer plans, and it is time to inform you about the details of the family reunion weekend. The family reunion, with the official Klami Family Association meeting, will take place on July 21- 22, 2018. As in earlier years, we have traditionally enjoyed a trip to an island on Saturday, and the official family meeting on Sunday.

Voyage to Kuorsalo on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup> :

We will travel by boat to Kuorsalo. The Kuorsalo island was inhabited already in the middle ages, and its people earned their living by fishing, piloting and by other maritime jobs. The most well known tourist attraction on the island is one of the oldest private cemeteries in Finland, which is still in use. The walk from the shore to the cemetery is 300 meters. After the cemetery we will walk 400 meters to the village meeting house. Our guide on the island will be Tuomo Silenti who knows the nature and history of the island.

Boat Details: We will gather at the Klamila Fishing Harbor at 10:30am, and the boat will leave at 11:00am. The shipping company is charging 85 euros per adult, but the Family Association has lowered the price to 75 euros per adult, and 35 euros per child (3-11). Children under 3 years of age are free. The lunch on the boat is included in the price of the trip.

Please send your reservations to Outi Posti ( email [outi.m.posti@gmail.com](mailto:outi.m.posti@gmail.com) or 358-400807778). With reservations you may also tell about your special food allergies and special diets. Please pay an advance payment of 20 euros before April 13th and the final sum before June 15th. The Klami sukuyhdistys account is FI4155232540004416.

If you do not have an access to the Finnish account please contact Pirjo Brooks in the USA at [spiritvoice@hotmail.com](mailto:spiritvoice@hotmail.com) If you need lodging please check Harjun oppimiskeskus in Virolahti where also some other relatives will be staying, or hotels in Hamina.

Saturday evening in the Fishing Harbor:

We will return from the sea at 5pm and then it is time for fun. In the harbor we will enjoy music, fellowship, mingling, and meeting new relatives.

On Sunday

On Sunday you are welcome to the worship service in the Klamila Church. The service begins at 10am, but before that at 9:30am we will honor Uno Klami and the

fallen soldiers with flowers. After the service we will walk to the new Klamila School. The Marttas will serve us a 12 euro lunch beginning at 11:30am. You will need to use cash for paying for this lunch. The Marttas would like to have a lunch count ahead of time so that they know how many lunches to prepare. Please let Outi Posti know if you are having a lunch. Her email is above.

At 1:30pm we will have our official Klami Family Association meeting.

When we had our first official family meeting in 1953, the invitation read: ” You are a child of the same salty shore”, and they hoped to have many members of the family present. Our family association is now 65 years old. Let us continue the work our pioneers started, and let us have a good family reunion again.  
Tervetuloa Klamilaan!

Klami Family Council

Schedule of Events on July 21-22, 2018

Saturday

10:30am gathering at the Kalasatama (Fishing Harbor)

Departure from the Kalasatama

Arrival in Kuorsalo around 12am

Departure in Kuorsalo 3pm

Arrival in Kalasatama 5pm and then to the Satama Baari (Harbor Bar)

Sunday

Honoring Uuno Klami and the fallen soldiers 9:30am

Worship service 10am

Lunch at the Klamila School beginning at 11:30am

Family Association Meeting 1:30pm (activities for children)