

*“60 Years in Canada” - the Pahapill 2011 get-together at Carl’s in Canada - John’s remarks at the Presentations part of the gathering.*

## **GOOD AFTERNOON, DEAR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES!**

**First**, let me add my welcome remarks to those of Carl’s and his family! And, thank you all for so readily responding to the numerous e-mail messages I sent you during the planning stage of this event! It is nice to see so many of you here today, from both Canada and the USA!!!

**Second**, I am delighted to pass on to you the greeting received three days ago from Tallinn, Estonia – from my cousin Jüri Pahapill; here is my free-style translation of his Estonian-language greeting-note:

*“Hello, Ants! (... incidentally, this is one of my many names – Jüri uses that one!)*

*On behalf of my own family and families of my brothers:*

*Wishing you all a fun-filled weekend in the Muskokas! Good health and continued success in your many endeavors! I have met with some of you – in your father’s cottage (where Anne now lives) – this was on Thanksgiving Day in 1979. Mind you, at that time we were 32 years younger!*

*All the best!*

*Jüri” (... by the way, he is the eldest of my cousins in Estonia).*

**Third**, permit me to take a few minutes of your time to cover a bit about a subject that is very dear to me - the **Pahapill Family Tree**, of course! It is that “thing” I have been “working” on (off-and-on) over the past fifteen years! In case you have not yet happened to come across some of the outline-information about the results of that work - done with help and input from many of you, I should humbly add - let me share some of it with you, here and right now:

Presently, the Pahapill Family Tree spans 11 generations, contains 1058 individuals, 337 marriages and 303 different surnames. Eldest member

of the clan – Jaak of Sepa / "Sepa Jaak" – was born around the year 1700. However; the clan's family name is known to reach back to 1645.

The publicly available copy of our family tree – and of our family book, which is constructed on the family tree data base – does deliberately not show certain information on living individuals: some of their personal information is not made public; and, part of their genealogy data is replaced with the word “private”. This includes birth- and marriage dates, educational background, professional/occupational responsibilities, and the like data.

In order to make all the genealogy data and personal information stored in our family tree master-file conveniently available to you, I have prepared a **“to relatives only”** version of the family book, and printed a limited number of paper-copies from it. So, I am pleased to provide here, today, a copy of the printed full-data version family book to each of my siblings: Anne, Fors and Raimund, and Aare’s son Scott; as well, to my sons Eric and Carl. Please come up to the “podium”, and receive your copy of the book!

Before closing, may I direct your attention to some specific features of our family book:

- Due to its size (over 300 pages, in a spiral binding), the book is divided into two halves – labeled Part I and Part II, respectively.
- Part I of the book covers descendants of my great-grandfather “Aadama/Tehna” Laas Pahapill and his wife “Tehna” Reet Trepp. The notations “Aadama / Tehna” in front of his name indicate that he was born at the farm named “Aadama”, and that his maternal home became his wife’s birthplace, the “Tehna” farm. First half of the book contains five chapters: the first two of those cover descendants from the two marriages of Laas’ and Reet’s eldest son, my grandfather “Tehna” Taavi Pahapill. Chapter 3 provides genealogy data on some spousal families directly related to individuals covered by the book’s first two

chapters. Chapters 4 and 5 (*see also Note 1, below!*) cover descendants of Taavi's two younger brothers – Jaan and Toomas, who through marriage became known as “Sillukse” Jaan and “Ilpama” Toomas, respectively.

- Part II of the family book contains its chapter 6, which - in turn - is made up of six sub-chapters that cover known descendants of the six siblings of my great-grandfather's older brother “Aadama” Jüri Pahapill and his second wife Reet Muld; there does not seem to be any second-generation descendants from Jüri's first marriage, that with Reet Tarvis.
- Both parts of the full-version family book also exist in the form of separate PDF files on my computer. If anyone of you here is interested in receiving an electronic copy of one or of both of those files, just let me know, and I will e-mail you a copy. However - and of obvious reasons - I would need to first receive solemn promise that you will not make public any part of the data of personal nature on any living individual listed in the book without the prior approval of the particular individual.

Thank you for your interest and patience! In case anyone has questions about our family tree and / or family book, just fire away, and I shall attempt to answer you here and now, or later during the evening!

The Muskokas, June 25, 2011 (*some spellings corrected on 10-22-2012*)

John (Johannes) Pahapill

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*Note 1 (added October 1, 2014): The Pahapill Family Book chapters III, IV and V were restructured in September, 2014 to reflect updating of those chapters of the book; for details, please refer to the website of [http://pahapill.ca/fambook\\_chaptersummary1.pdf](http://pahapill.ca/fambook_chaptersummary1.pdf) - specifically to Notes 3, 4 and 5.*

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