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Queries from subscribers to *Swedish American Genealogist* will be listed here free of charge on a "space available basis." The Editor reserves the right to edit the question to conform to the general format.

Peterson

My grandfather, Alexander W. Peterson, emigr. to the U.S. from Sweden. We don't know very much about him. In fact he may have taken a different name when he arr. in the U.S. The cemetery stone in Absarakee, MT states that he was b. in Örebro, Sweden Nov. 14, 1845. The newspaper obituary gives the same information. His marriage license, taken out in Chicago, IL, dated Jan. 1885 states that his age was 38 years at that time, which would have meant that he was b. in 1847. Any help or advice or information would be most welcome.

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Ståhlbrand, Stohlbrand

I am involved in research concerning the life and career of Brigadier General Carl Johan Möller Ståhlbrand, who served in the United States Army during the Civil War. He arr. in the U.S. in 1850 together with his brother, Christiern Lambert Möller. The latter returned to Sweden and became the founder of the insurance business in Sweden, forming Svenska Lifförsäkrings Aktiebolaget, of which he was the owner and first president. Christiern Lambert Möller wrote diaries for the years 1842 and 1843, which deal with some of the circumstances which caused the brothers to emigrate to the U.S. I am familiar with Nils William Olsson's *Passenger Arrivals in New York* and the entries for the two brothers there.

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Fredrickson, Fredriksson

I am seeking information concerning my father's family. He was Gustaf Theodore Fredrickson, b. in Jönköping Oct. 8, 1870. He arr. in New York, NY Sept. 25, 1902 aboard the *Columbia*. He was naturalized a U.S. citizen in Minneapolis. I have exhausted all leads through the Mormon Church, the Police lists in Göteborg, the War Archives in Stockholm and the provincial archives in

Vadstena and Göteborg, to no avail. Who can help me?

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Rosengren, Widenborg, Johansson

Three siblings emigr. to the U.S. from Sweden late in the 19th century. Aron F. Rosengren, b. Feb. 18, 1858, emigr. through New York 1879 and d. in St. Paul, MN Nov. 19, 1914; Frank Leonard Widenborg was living in Brooklyn in 1918 and Ida M. Widenborg, b. Dec. 21, 1864, d. in Chicago Feb. 3, 1921. Ida's will, dated 1918, mentions her mother, Johanna Johansson and a brother, Ernst Wilhelm Widenborg, both living in Oskarshamn and a sister, Hilda Johansson, residing in Stockholm. Any information concerning the family would be much appreciated.

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Hoffman

My grandfather, Samuel Hjalmar Hoffman was b. Dec. 12, 1854, unknown where. He was supposed to have been adopted by a judge and his wife, who owned property in Hellvi Parish (Gotl.). Later my grandfather moved to Buttle Parish (Gotl.) with his s. Carl Alvin. Samuel Hoffman d. May 29, 1929 and is buried in Sanda Parish (Gotl.). Can anyone help me find out the names of Samuel Hjalmar Hoffman's real parents?

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Andersson

I would like to contact descendants of my Swedish great great grandfather, Svens Anders Andersson, b. in the village of Helgbo in Ål Parish (Kopp.) Aug. 4, 1799. He m. Karin Ersdotter July 4, 1823. They had the following children — Anders, b. Dec. 12, 1823, Olof, b. April 10, 1832, Brita, b. Jan. 23, 1835, Per, b. March 14, 1837, Johan, b. Dec. 14, 1839, Daniel (my great grandfather, who emigr. to the U.S. 1880) b. Jan. 8, 1842, Elof, b. Sept. 17, 1844, Erik, b. Dec. 19, 1846 and Carl, b. April 10, 1849. I can provide marriage dates for these persons as well as the names of their children.

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Larson, Larsson

I have worked on my family tree for a long time and have reached a dead end. My grandfather, Sven Larsson, arr. in the U.S. via the port of New York in June 1868. He was b. Feb. 15 or 19 in 1832 or 1833, but I have no idea where he came from in Sweden. Where can I get some help?

Ella Streedemann,

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Glencoe, MN 55336

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Persdotter, Mattson, Olsdotter

I am interested in locating descendants of my grandmother's sister, Bengta Persdotter, b. in Kullen (parishes of Väsby, Höganäs, Viken and Farhult) (Malm.) April 23, 1850, dau. Per Månsson and Maria Olsdotter. She came to America in 1855 with her parents and settled in Illinois, probably in Knoxville. From there she went to Paxton and in 1867 to Chicago. She m. a man by the name of Mattson. Who can help?

Mrs. Mina A. Caffey

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Johanson, Adolphson, Jorgenson

I am seeking information concerning my great grandparents, Adolph Fredrik Johansson, b. in Rumsquilla Parish (Kalm.) Dec. 22, 1838, who arr. in America 1913 and d. in Firth, ID in March 1933. His wife, name unknown, was b. in Kråkshult Parish (Jön.) Oct. 26, 1839 and d. in Rumsquilla Jan. 31, 1913. Their dau., my grandmother, Cecilia Charlotta Augusta Adolphsson was b. in Rumsquilla Nov. 27, 1874 and came to America 1888 and m. in Denver, CO 1897 or 1898 Stein Jorgenson (possibly also known as Gunsteinson) and d. in Thief River Falls, MN July 30, 1936.

Marguerite Thomas

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Andersson

I am seeking information concerning the birth place and date as well as parents of Per Andersson, b. in 1796, who lived for a while in the village of Borråkra in Degeberga Parish (Krist.). He was m. before 1826 to Ingar Olsdotter, b. in Borråkra April 20, 1798, dau. Ola Olsson and Bengta Åkesdotter.

Margaret Olson

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Hjort

Looking for the birth place and parents of Christian Andersson Hjort, b. ca. 1750 and d. in the village of Lillehem, Maglehem Parish (Krist.) Aug. 23, 1802. He was m. to Elsa Walkendorff.

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Möller

I am on the lookout for information concerning Elisabeth (Lisa) Catharina Möller, the wife of Gustaf Adolf Walkendorff. She was m. in Södra Mellby Parish (Krist.) Jan. 14, 1744 and resided in the parishes of Maglehem and Ravlunda (Krist.).

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Person

I am looking for information concerning Johan Petter Person, b. in Hycklinge Parish (Ög.) July 29, 1814 and his wife, Greta Johansdotter, b. in Horn Parish (Ög.) Sept. 22, 1814.

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Hultberg, Hultburg

I need information about the ancestors of my maternal grandfather, Lars August Hultberg (Hultburg), b. in Vimmerby (Kalm.) Feb. 24, 1850. He m. Emma Christina Pettersson in Oct. 1872 and lived among other places in Oskarshamn. They had five children — Sigrid Josephine, b. in Oskarshamn April 13, 1874, Edwin August T., b. Stockholm Dec. 9, 1875, Hildur Marie, b. Stockholm Oct. 21, 1877, Axel Harry, b. Oskarshamn Feb. 23, 1880 and Regina Sophia, b. Warren, PA April 19, 1888. The family emigr. to the U.S. ca. 1880–1881 and settled in Warren, PA, where Hultberg worked as an iron founder. He d. in Warren May 24, 1911. He may have had brothers and sisters who emigr. about the same time and who probably lived in Western Pennsylvania or New York.

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Sjöberg

Seeking information on ancestry and descendants of Mathias Ottosson von Wrangel Sjöberg (1624–1693) and his wife, ——— Margraff, who d. 1685.

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von Toll

Seeking information concerning the von Toll family which lived near Magra Stommen, Magra Parish (Älvs.). The family is supposed to have its roots in Holland.

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Edberg, Bielkholm, Lustig, Udd, Åkerman

Seeking information concerning the families of Edberg, Bielkholm, Lustig, Udd and Åkerman, who lived near Mellby and Magra Parishes in Älvsborg län.

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Olsson

Seeking any information concerning the ancestry and birth place of Olof Olsson, b. ca. 1800 in Karlstad and his wife, Stina Andersdotter. Olof lived in Ågård and Prästgården, both located in Väse Parish (Värm.). Olof's wife Stina was b. ca. 1801 near Bjurtjärn Parish (Värm.). Later on Olof lived in Håkanbol, Nysund Parish (Värm.).

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