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Genealogical 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 these queries to conform to a general format. The inquirer is responsible for the contents of the query.

We would like to hear about your success if you receive useful information as a result of placing a query in this publication. Please send us your feedback, and we will endeavor to report your new discoveries in this section of the journal.

Chicago Höganäs Society

Many Swedes from the town of Höganäs in Skåne immigrated for years to Worcester, MA, and a special Höganäs Society was formed. This society is well-known and well-documented. But it was called the Höganäs Society #2, which indicates that there was another Höganäs Society somewhere. It was presumably based in Chicago, as Höganäs Society #1 (Hoganas Society), but there is no documentation or knowledge of this society.

Any and all information most welcome!

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Towels

I am a Swedish weaver and I have for years wondered about the towels that the Swedish immigrants brought with them to America. Maybe there are old, darned towels from the Old Country still in existence in someone's attic?

I would so much like to weave new ones similar to the old ones. It would be so marvelous to be able, in 2014, to honor all the women who under difficult circumstances crossed the sea, by making new textiles like the ones they took with them. Textiles that maybe were memories from their mothers, smells that reminded them of their home in Sweden, etc.

I weave in flax and cotton, just as they did at the time of the immigration.

I look forward to hearing from many of you!

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Viveca's blog can be found at <<http://www.varpochsolv.blogspot.se/>>

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DEAR ANCESTOR

Your tombstone stands among the rest;
Neglected and alone.

The name and date are chiseled out
On polished, marbled stone.

It reaches out to all who care

It is too late to mourn.

You did not know that I exist

You died and I was born.

Yet each of us are cells of you

In flesh, in blood, in bone.

Our blood contracts and beats a pulse
Entirely not our own.

Dear Ancestor, the place you filled
One hundred years ago

Spreads out among the ones you left

Who would have loved you so.

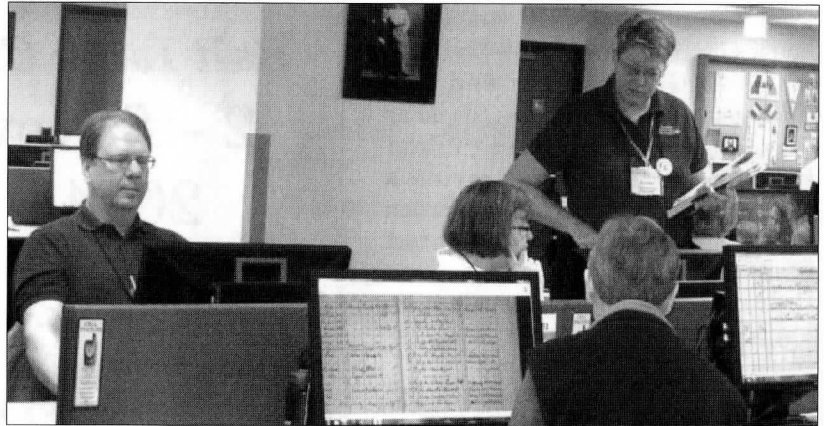
I wonder if you lived and loved,

I wonder if you knew

That someday I would find this spot,

And come to visit you.

(By Walter Butler Palmer 1906 (On Facebook 30 Jan. 2014 by Wini Caudell).



SAG staff in the Family History Library: Mike Swanson and Jill Seaholm, Nov. 2013. (Photo: E. Thorsell).

Corrections:

In SAG 2013/3 p. 16, first paragraph, it should be changed to "The family lived at Kalvträsk," not Villvattnet, according to the author, Anton Rosendahl. My mistake, Anton!

The person who sent in the Handwriting example #36 in SAG 2013/3 is named Mats Lundell, not Lundel. Sorry for that, Mats!

Signed the sad SAG editor!