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**Dear friends,**

Time passes quickly, and already we look forward to the New Year, and that it will bring mostly good things.

Weatherwise here in Sweden it has been different from last year, when we had snow from the middle of December until the middle of March, so it has not been the case yet. We have heard and read about the very cold and snowy weather in the Midwest and New England, and hope it will soon become and stay more moderate.

Work has been going on as usual, with SAG and other things. I recently heard from an old client, who had not been in touch since the 1980s, which was rather fun, and he gave me a new problem to untangle.

Sometimes I am also contacted by

lawyers or genealogists to find living relatives to somebody of Swedish origins who has died in the U.S. and had no relatives there. They need help to find the heirs in Sweden.

My latest case was about a woman, who immigrated in 1923, and soon stopped writing home. Maybe she did not want to tell her family that she had had a daughter out of wedlock. Anyway, now the daughter has died, and it was necessary to locate the relatives in Sweden. They were all in Halland and were numerous.

All of them have been found, with the help of the Population CDs, the *Landsarkiven*, who sent me copies of probates, and even our Tax Authorities (*Skatteverket*), that gave me recent information.

Please, read my plea for help with book reviews on p. 29. You know much more about books of interest to other SAG readers than what I can find in Sweden!

During the fall we will see a new series of Swedish *Who Do You Think You are?* The participants have not yet been disclosed, but we hope they will have interesting stories to tell. Personally I usually prefer the British series, which we have bought on DVDs. The backgrounds of the people are more diverse, India, Jamaica, Ireland, etc., and more interesting.

In a couple of months we will have the longer days, flowers, and green, green grass, things we are all looking forward to.

*Till next time!*

*Elisabeth Thorsell*

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