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### Dear friends,

Summer is here! Which feels good, even though this issue is called the March issue, and is late. I do try to catch up with the backlog, but things keep happening so I can not make it (yet). Still there is not much in a journal of this type that gets old, as most of the contents are old anyway.

This issue is the first of volume 30, and this jubilee will be celebrated in each issue of this year by "recycling" some past, but still good, articles, published in the early years of SAG.

If you are looking for a certain old article, but do not remember when it was printed, there is a good Index on the Swenson Center web site, and a link is found on the Link page.

SAG is not a journal with lots of articles about Royalty, but the wed-

ding of the Crown Princess and her fiancé Daniel Westlund is THE big event here this summer. The thing I am mostly interested in is to visit *Storkyrkan* (Stockholm Cathedral) and see what it looks like when it has been cleaned for a cost of about 13 million SEK. I hope I see a difference.

The bad and sad thing now for all genealogists is the probable demise of the *Swedish Emigrant Institute* (*SEI*) in Växjö, as explained in an article on page 5 by Professor Ulf Beijbom, the longtime director of the SEI. The SEI has not received the funding that an institution of this kind needs, and has not been very much appreciated by the local politicians. It is hoped that the SEI will be able to sell their building, and then move with

the intact collections to a friendlier place.

Several persons have told me that they plan to go to the *Dalsland Conference 13-15 August*. It is good to see that the idea of an Emigration conference has become so popular and has a growing attendance. Dalsland is a beautiful place in the summer, as is all of Sweden.

This is also the time of the year that many descendants of the immigrants come to Sweden. Hopefully most are well prepared, and know what they are looking for, otherwise it can be hard to find "grandmother Anna from Småland."

Till next time!

Elisabeth Thorsell



### The Genealogy Days in Örebro

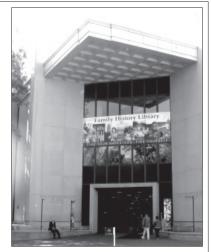
The annual Swedish Genealogy Days will take place on **27–29 August** in Örebro.

Örebro is celebrating the 200th anniversary of the meeting of the Swedish parliament in 1810 that elected Fieldmarshal Jean Baptiste Bernadotte to become the Swedish Crown Prince Karl Johan.

There will be festivities all year round, and the Genealogy Days are filled with lectures, exhibitions, and demonstrations by archives, online companies, societies, booksellers, and much more. It is *the* meeting place for all genealogists, and you are also most welcome!

http://www.sfd2010.se/

## SAG Workshop Salt Lake City 24–31 Oct. 2010



Welcome to join our happy group of researchers at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City!

The SAG Workshop is the highlight of the year – a fun learning experience and a chance to do your Swedish genealogy with hands-on help from experienced Swedish and American genealogists.

The social side includes both welcome and farewell receptions, a buffet dinner & entertainment.

Contact *Jill Seaholm* at 309-794-7204, or e-mail: <sag@augustana.edu> (This year's Workshop is full, but ask to be put on the mailing list for next year.)