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Dear friends,

We have had an unusual fall here, it has been above zero degrees centigrades for months, and so is still the case. But snow makes the days lighter, so just a little would be fine, as it is very dark in the afternoon now.

Since last time I have visited the U.S. in September, a little earlier than usual, but it was fine weather all the time, I don't remember more than just one or two rainy days. I travelled in the company of Ingrid Nilsson from Skåne, who is now a new staff member of the SAG Workshop. We started out in Springfield, IL, where we went to the annual Conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, and maybe learnt a thing or two. Next we were

invited to spend a couple of days in Chicago, and probably learnt more, which might be useful for some articles in coming SAGs.

And then there was the annual SAG Workshop in Salt Lake City, which was just as much fun as we expected. This was the 18th time there for Jill Seaholm and me, so we are starting to feel quite at home in the library and in the city. Next year the new downtown shopping mall, *City Creek Center*, will be open when we come, so that will be something new to explore.

Since I came back I have mostly been working on proofreading and checking the information in the new *Svenska Släktkalendern 2012* (Swedish Family Register), which has been

published more or less regularly since 1912, and has now presented some 2700 different, more or less prominent Swedish families. It has now gone to the printers. While working on this I had good help of the digitized newspaper clippings that the *Swedish Genealogical Society* (Genealogiska Föreningen) has now put on the web for the members to use. It covers the period of 1935 to 1990.

Next week I am invited to speak at the Historical Museum in downtown Stockholm. My subject will be the Big Immigration and how to maybe find the relatives in the U.S. I hope it goes well!

Till next time!
Elisabeth Thorsell

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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>. You can now ask to be put on the mailing list for next year.