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Dear friends,



SAG has now entered the high-tech stage with the above sign. If you have one of those new smart phones, I think you can just show the phone this sign, and you will be connected to Swenson Center's SAG page. I do not have such a phone, but one of my technical sons says that it works.

Summer is here finally, but so far it has been a rather wet one. Every

other day brings us more rain, and then the next day is sunny, and then rain again. But this helps the blueberries and chanterelle mushrooms to grow, which is very nice.

This is also the season for our American friends to come to Sweden and look for the ancestors, or at least the places where they lived, and the churches where they sat every Sunday, maybe more looking forward to chats with friends outside the church than long and boring sermons.

One American friend, at age 83, was a bit teary-eyed when he finally saw the baptismal font where his father had been baptized in 1872 – a great experience for him.

The annual Genealogy Days are not far off in time, this time in Gävle. And this time we will have company

from Lindsborg, KS; Worcester, MA; Brooklyn Park, MN; and Salt Lake City, UT. This will be another good memory to think about in the dark days in December. But before then comes the SAG Workshop in late September, and a visit to the Twin Cities to see the new version of the American Swedish Institute.

We, my friend Ingrid and I, will also take part in the Swedish conference (see p. 11) in Sturbridge, MA. Being in the area it is also necessary to visit Old Sturbridge, and make comparisons between this outdoor museum and our Skansen (Stockholm) and Kulturen (Lund), and see that life was much the same whether you lived in Sweden or in the U.S.

Till next time!
Elisabeth Thorsell

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**We look forward to seeing old and new friends in our
happy group of researchers !**

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.

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