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Ulf Beijbom gets an award



Professor *Ulf Beijbom*, former director of the Swedish Emigrant Institute, has been awarded the Olov Isaksson Prize for 2013 by the Swedish Bishop Hill Society.

(The head to the left is author Vilhelm Moberg.)



Web site: www.375th.org

SwedGen Tour 2013

The group of travelling Swedish genealogists will be back in the U.S. in the fall. The group consists of *Ann*eli Andersson, Charlotte Börjesson, Olof Cronberg, and Anna-Lena Hultman.

There will be a seminar at the Old Mill Museum in *Lindsborg, KS*, on Saturday 28^{th} of September.

Other seminars will be given Saturday Oct. 12th in *Oakland, CA*, Tuesday, Oct. 15th in *Kingsburg, CA*, Saturday, Oct. 19th in *San Diego, CA*.

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Emigrants from Föglö, Åland Islands, Finland

Researcher *Ingemar Ekman*, with his roots in Föglö, Åland Islands, has excerpted marriages in the Finnish Seamen's Church of New York for the period of 1887 to 1930, where one of the couple, or maybe both, was born in Sweden. He has also been working on tracing the inhabitants of Mariehamn when the city was founded in 1861.

Ingemar has also built a database with people from Föglö, and would like to hear from people with Föglö roots.

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The first Lennart Setterdahl scholar has been chosen

The awardee is young historian Anton Johansson from Långås, Halland, now a student of history at Växjö University. He has written an essay on how the causes of the "Big emigration" are represented in the schoolbooks for grade school students and high school students, as compared with the exhibitions at the House of Emigrants. His conclusion is that the exhibitions give the deepest information and understanding of the emigration period. (*Emigranten 2013-1*)

History Center in Eksjö

On June 17th the *Historiskt Center at Eksjö Museum* opened to the public. The Center has research computers with subscriptions to church record providers, Ancestry.com, Emiweb, and much more.

You can contact them by e-mail: <hce1@eksjo.com> or look them up on Facebook.



(Photo by Ewa-Marie Rundqvist). H.R.H Princess Madeleine of Sweden married Mr. Christopher O'Neill of New York, U.S.A. on Saturday 2013 June 8 in the palace church of Stockholm. The newlyweds will settle in New York for the time being.

Swedes in Canada

The long-awaited book project is now in its final stages, and it will be published during 2014.

Author and project leader *Elinor Berglund Barr* will be the featured speaker at Swedish Council of America 2013 Autumn Meeting in Winnipeg on October 11. Manitoba is lovely that time of year and makes a great fall weekend destination. (SCA eUPDATE 2013 July.)

Genealogy Open House in Chicago

On Saturday Nov. 16 there will be a Genealogy Open House at the Swedish American Museum, 5211 N. Clark St., Chicago. The event starts at 11 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m.

It is being sponsored by both the Museum and SWEA. There will be tables for both genealogy assistance and translations. Several persons from SWEA help out on translating documents such as old letters. Swedish genealogists Elisabeth Thorsell and Ingrid Nilsson also plan to take part.