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New Season for American and Australian Versions of *Who Do You Think You Are?*

The American version of Who Do You Think You Are? will debut its second season on 21 January 2011. It will air on Fridays at 8:00 p.m. (7 p.m. Central Time). The people featured during this season will be Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw, Lionel Ritchie, Rosie O'Donnell, Ashley Judd, Steve Buscemi, Vanessa Williams, and Kim Cattrall.

The third season of the Australian version of the show started airing 28 Nov. 2010, at 7:30 p.m.

(Genealogy Insider Blog Dec. 15, 2010.) And the Swedish version, 3rd season, has been shown during the fall of 2010. It featured singers Christer Sjögren and Lotta Engberg, cook Tina Nordström, author Liza Marklund, and painter Ernst Billgren.

News from SVAR !

Now in 2011 SVAR has released the extracts of Births, Marriages, and Deaths for 1940 online. They are indexed on the $l\ddot{a}n$ and *socken* level.

The main boon for the genealogist will be the new CD with the *Swedish Population in 1990*, which makes research for living relatives much easier. The CD is presented on page 24.

The production of the *Swedish population in 1910* to be available online has progressed as the first parishes for C, Z, and AC *län* have been added to the database. Already online are many parishes for the *län* of B, D, N, and T.

Semlor on 8 March!

First Tuesday of Lent.





Oldest Woman in Sweden Dies

On the 10th of January 2011 Mrs. *Maria Eriksson* of Grillby, Enköping, died at the ripe old age of 110 years. She was born 28 March 1900 in Simtuna partish in Uppsala *län*. She was a farmer's widow and lived at an old peoples' home in Grillby.

Who is now the oldest person in Sweden is not yet known.

(Swedish Wikipedia 11 Jan. 2010)

Swedish Newspaper Clippings Online

The Genealogiska Föreningen (Swedish Genealogical Society), which started in 1933, has been clipping births, marriages, and death notices ever since 1936 from Svenska Dagbladet. Up to 1966 those numbered some 66,000 clippings, all pasted on huge sheets of paper in alphabethical order. These clippings have now been digitally photographed and indexed by family names, even Anderssons and Johanssons, and are available for the members on the society's website.

In 1966 the society started clipping also from *Dagens Nyheter*, as well as from *Svenska Dagbladet*, and this new series, that goes up to 1990, is now being photographed and might be available on the web site at the end of summer 2011.

Membership costs 250 SEK/year, which includes 4 issues of the journal *Släkt och Hävd* (in Swedish).



The birth announcement of the SAG editor.

The website of the *Genealogiska Föreningen* is found on p. 38.

Well-known Genealogist is Honored

At the closing of the yearly Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy in January it was announced that *Paula Stuart-Warren* of Eden Prairie, MN, was made a Fellow of the Utah Genealogical Association. Paula has Swedish ancestors on her maternal greatgrandmother's side. She was Bengta Persdotter, born 1859 Deb. 26 in Östraby, (Malm.). SAG joins the other congratulators!

(Facebook 2011 Jan.15)

Knitting in Philadelphia

The American Swedish Historical Museum in Philadelphia will open an exhibition called Knitting Along the Viking Trail on 20 March. (ASHM Newsletter 13 Jan. 2011)

Minnesota Historical Society (MHS) on Facebook.

The Minnesota Historical Society now has its own Facebook page, and today they have 346 friends or followers (SAG has 215). On their page they announce upcoming events and much more.



The American Swedish Institute

The ASI in Minneapolis will open an exhibition on 18 February, called *Victor Borge: Life and Laughs of a Scandinavian Humorist*. This significant exhibition explores Borge's life and achievements through a collection of film clips, recordings, photographs, and memorabilia from Borge's personal archives.

The exhibition closes on 1 May 2011.