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## Additions to the Swenson Center Library

By SUSANNE TITUS, *Library and Genealogical Services Associate*

***A Nation of Women*** by Gunlög Fur.

This book describes the history of gender and the role it played in the Delaware Indians interactions with Europeans and accounts of women between these contacts.

***Essays on Scandinavian History*** by H. Arnold Barton.

This book looks at significant historical events that took place in Sweden and the Nordic countries during the end of the eighteenth and

the start of the twenty-first centuries. The book consists of thirteen articles written by H. Arnold Barton on Scandinavian history.

***Zorn in America*** by William and Willow Hagans.

The book is about the Swedish artist Anders Zorn and his travels to the United States 1893-1911. During his trips he painted portraits of famous people such as Grover Cleveland, William Taft, Theodore Roosevelt, and Andrew Carnegie.

***Swedish Seattle*** by Paul Norlen.

The story is about Swedish immigrants in Seattle. It describes the burgeoning communities the Swedes established after they arrived in the 1880s. The book also includes personal stories of the Swedes' transition as they started their new life in the United States.

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## The Dagmar and Nils William Olsson Research Fellowship

This annual fellowship is designed to help defray costs for one person doing research for an extended period of time at the Center and was established by Nils William Olsson, a leading authority in the field of Swedish-American studies, and his wife Dagmar.

The fellowship, which is in the amount of \$2,500 (taxable income), is open to anyone doing academic research on any aspect of Swedish-American history. It is not intended to be used for research on a person's individual family history.

We particularly encourage graduate students and younger scholars to apply. The minimum stay required at the Swenson Center is three weeks, and the fellowship must be used within one year of notification.

Anyone interested in the fellowship should submit a two- to three-page proposal to the Swenson Center outlining the proposed research topic. The proposal should also include a current curriculum vitae, as well as a statement showing how the resources of the Swenson Center are appropriate for the particular project.

**The deadline for applications is May 1, 2010.**

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### Past Recipients

**2009** Ms. Erika Jackson-Eckerly, Michigan State University.  
*"Scandinavian preferred": Nordic ethnic identity, gender and work within Chicago, 1879-1933.*

**2008** Ms. Rachel Gianni Abbott, University of Alaska Fairbanks.  
*Folklore and material culture among Swedish immigrants in late 19th century Utah.*

**2007** Dr. Elizabeth Baigent, Oxford University, U.K.  
*Swedish immigrants in McKeesport, Pennsylvania.*  
Mr. Christopher Cantwell, Cornell University.  
*Swedish immigrants in Chicago and their relationship to D.L. Moody.*

**2006** Mr. Christopher Jaffe, Northern Illinois University.  
*Swedes and other ethnic groups in Rockford, Illinois.*

**2005** Ms. Agnieszka Stasiewicz, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland.  
*Swedish immigrant children and books published for them by the Augustana Book Concern.*

**2004** Ms. Joanna Daxell, Université de Sherbrooke, Canada.  
*Swedish literature in North America.*

**2003** Mr. Paul Lubotina, St. Louis University.  
*Swedes and other ethnic groups on Minnesota's Mesabi Iron Range.*

**2002** Dr. Lars Nordström, Beaver-creek, Oregon.  
*The life and work of Samuel Magnus Hill, a pioneer educator and minister in Nebraska.*  
Ms. Malin Glimäng, University of Hawaii.  
*The history of Swedish female immigration.*