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British Passenger Lists
Findmypast.com has completed its project to scan and index the complete set of outbound passenger lists for long-distance voyages from all British ports between 1890 and 1960. Working in association with the National Archives of the United Kingdom, the project took more than a year to scan. In total, 24 million passengers are recorded. All seven decades of passenger lists are free to search at findmypast.com.

The images and transcripts can be viewed with either a 12-month or 1-month subscription or alternatively with pay-per-view units or vouchers. Findmypast.com is located, logically, at http://www.findmypast.com. (Nu! What’s new #9, April 2008)

Andrew Peterson – the Real Karl Oskar – in a Musical Show
The successful musical “Andrew Peterson, the Genuine Pioneer Story” will be performed in English for the first time on the 4 July 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

This will happen in Andrew Peterson’s place of origin, in Ydre, Östergötland, in Rydsnäs town. If you are in Sweden at this time you are very welcome.

More information at http://www.andrewpeterson.se/index_eng.htm

Swedish Historical Maps
The Swedish historical maps from the Lantmäteriverket (General Surveyor’s Office) have been kept in their archive in Gävle, but will be moved during 2008 to the Arninge branch of the Swedish National Archives (Riksarkivet). They are moving most maps and other documents made before 1996 to Arninge.

Questions about this can be sent to kundcenter@lm.se

More information about old maps can also be found at the web site: http://www.lantmateriet.se/epidefault.aspx?id=55&lang=EN

Arkiv Digital Adds Another County (Län)
The Swedish company Arkiv Digital of Falkenberg recently completed the color digitizing of records from Ska-raborg län. They already are finished with Göteborgs och Bohus län, Jönköpings län, Kalmar län, Kronobergs län, Värmlands län, and Alvsborgs län.

In addition to the church records you may also find probates, probate indexes, and military records. The records are for sale on a CD or online for a subscription fee.

Unfortunately they have not yet launched their English web site, but the Swedish site is found at www.arkivdigital.se

Visby Archives Are Moving
The Regional Archives (Landsarkivet) of Visby on the island of Gotland, is in the process of moving to new premises. They are now housed temporarily at Broväg 27, S-621 41 VISBY, and from 8 September 2008 they will be found at the same address, but in their ordinary facilities. Their email remains: landsarkivet@landsarkivet-visby.ra.se

A New European Site
In a joint effort the member countries of the European Union are launching a new web site, fully operational in November 2008, called The Europeana site. It is possible to visit the site now to get a glimpse of what they will offer later. According to the information on the page they will show digitized books, films, paintings, newspapers, sounds, and archives from Europe’s greatest collections. Interesting!

http://www.europeana.eu/

Minnesota Day in Växjö
The annual Minnesota Day in Växjö will be celebrated in the park outside the House of Emigrants in Växjö on 10 August 2008 at 2 p.m.

Everyone is welcome and the entrance is free.

The Malmö Genealogy Days
During 30-31st August Genealogy Days will be held at Europaporten in Malmö in southernmost Sweden. This is the annual meetingplace for Swedish genealogists with lectures, usually about 100 exhibitors (societies, computer programs, and booksellers, and much more), and also the AGM of the Federation of Swedish Genealogical Societies. Entrance fee will be 40 SEK/day.

http://www.malmo2008.se/