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Dear Friends,

Summer is here, at last! Everything is green and nice, except that it has been too dry the last few weeks, but rain is coming, and the weather goes back to normal, with a mixture of rain and sun.

Family history researchers use vacation time and go to the archives, but also take the opportunity to visit the ancestral parishes, perhaps finally finding that the little *stuga*, where great-grandfather was born is still there. I know a number of the SAG readers have visited Sweden this summer, and maybe they have stories to tell? Send them to me!

This brings my thoughts to another matter. One of the advantages of being a subscriber to SAG is that

you can send in queries to the *Genealogical Queries* section and now also the *Question Chest*. This is a possibility that more people could use. Send us queries and questions, and you can also send a picture of the persons you are looking for, (scanned in 300 dpi).

We are always happy to receive stories that tell how you solved this or that problem, but stories about brick walls are also of interest. Maybe another SAG reader has the solution to your problem.

As you might have noticed we try to tell you about new books with a Swedish or Swedish-American connection, but if you know of a book like that, let us know.

After summer comes the fall, and

with the fall comes the SAG Workshop, and we are planning various things for the week of Sept. 25 to Oct. 2, when we will meet again. For my own part I also hope to meet with my oldest son, on his first visit to the U.S., in Minneapolis. Together we hope to visit one of the more distant Swedish areas – the mining districts of Upper Michigan, where we have relatives. In the late 1800s many mine workers left the iron ore districts in Middle Sweden and found new jobs in hopefully better conditions in the U.P. So up there are many descendants of *värmlänningar*; *västmanlänningar*; *närkingar* and *dalfolk*, and I hope to bring some of their tales to you in a future article.

Till next time!

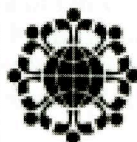
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