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New Policies for Genealogical Research at the Swenson Center

Beginning in January 2000, the Swenson Center will implement new policies for visitors doing genealogical research on the premises. Following the practices of other privately funded archives in both the U.S. and Sweden, there will be a daily, non-member admission fee of $10 for the use of the Center’s facilities for genealogy. There will be no fee for Swenson Center members or for Augustana College students (or their parents), faculty, staff and alumni. People who are currently only SAG subscribers can add an Associate membership for $15 more. If you know someone who is interested in supporting the Swenson Center or subscribing to SAG, please show them the membership form below.

The hours for genealogical research will be 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday. Hours will continue to be by appointment. To schedule your visit, please call 309-794-7204 or e-mail <sag@augustana.edu>. This is especially important if you are an out-of-town visitor.

We make these changes in policy because the number of researchers and research requests has doubled over the past few years, even as we have significantly expanded our source materials. The new policies will allow Swenson Center staff members to focus more efficiently on both genealogical and archival work and will provide needed funds for the work. Genealogy is important to us. We welcome all those who wish to use our resources for Swedish-American genealogical research, and we remain committed to providing these resources to you.

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