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Genealogical Queries

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Nilsson, Petersson, Nilsson, Ekstrand

I need information on Peter Nilsson and his wife Christine Petersson, who arr. in Illinois sometime during the time frame of 1840-1860. They had a dau. Christina Catharina Nilsson (1845-1932), who m. Elias Andersson Ekstrand. The Ekstrand surname was taken upon arrival in the U.S. 1859.

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Johannesdotter

I am trying to locate possible descendants of Vilhelmina Johannesdotter, b. in Svanskog Parish (Värm.) 14 May 1867. She emigr. from Ingridur in Bro Parish (Värm.) 24 July 1893, departing from Göteborg aboard the *Romeo*, bound for Hull and then on to the U.S. Her contract number was 57599. The only sign of life after her arrival in America was an undated photograph taken by a photographer named C. F. Ostberg at 44 Lewis Street, Bridgeport, CT. Possibly her sister, Christina Ulrika Johannesdotter, b. in Svanskog 24 March 1862, may also have come to America after leaving Gillberga Parish (Värm.) 20 Oct. 1892 for Norway.

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Forsman, Plantare

Looking for information on Jonas Wilhelm Forsman or Plantare, b. in Umeå, Sweden 8 Feb. 1848, who departed from Sweden in July 1869 as a sailor in

the merchant marine. He d. in Philadelphia 6 July 1880. Did he have a family?

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Olsson

I am seeking information on my great grandparents: William Lahl and Luella Young(er) (Reinhardt) Olsson, who emigr. to Buffalo, TX in the early 1870s from Stockholm, Sweden. They had three children - Mary, b. 1874; George Alva, b. 1877 and Willie Young(er) b. 1880. We have always been told that my great grandfather William owned a flour mill or sawmill in Stockholm.

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Larsson

I am seeking information on possible descendants of the following:
Andreas Larsson, b. probably in Dalsland 1812; d. 1902. He was m. to Christina Andersdotter, who d. in 1888. Of their seven children, Johannes Larsson, b. 22 Feb. 1861, left for America 1883. He m. Sarah Berg from Norway. He ran a gas station near Seattle, WA and had the following children - Leonard, John, Elmer, Selma, Tekla Van Dyke and Seide.

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Blom, Blum

My paternal grandmother, Hulda Blom, had two brothers who emigr. to America:

1). Johan (John) Leonard Blom, b. in Yllestad Parish (Skar.) 27 April 1865; emigr. to Galveston, TX, where he worked as a stevedore. In 1906 he was m. to Marie, with whom he had three children - John L. Blom, deceased; Ellen Johnson, who lived in San Antonio, TX 1967 and William Charles Blum, deceased, but had a s. William Gammon Blum, who in 1967 was res. in California.

2). Carl (Charles) Blom, b. in Yllestad 6 Feb. 1868; m. to Ida. They had five dau., who after the death of the father in 1906, were taken care of at the Galveston Orphans' Home. Their names were Charlotte, Ellen, Emma, Martha and Rebecca. Whatever happened to these girls? Did they marry and have families? Who can help?

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Jonsson

I am looking for descendants of a relative in the U.S. who left Sweden in 1901. His name was Erik Gustaf Albinus Jonsson, b. 17 Oct. 1883. He emigr. from Katarina Parish in Stockholm, was m. and was alive, at least until 1964.

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Björklund

My paternal aunt, Anna Westdahl, who had emigr. to America 1914 and who later returned to Sweden, spoke of a peculiar coincidence during her sojourn in the New York area. One day she brought a furcoat into a store in New York City for repairs. Deem her surprise when she found that the gentleman in the store was named Sven Björklund and that he was a cousin of Anna Westdahl's mother, my grandmother. Unfortunatley neither my aunt nor I followed up this lead but in an address book which my aunt had possessed I found two addresses for a Sven Björklund - Hunterdon County, Changewater, NJ 07831 and 320 Griggs Avenue, Teaneck, NJ 07666. It seems that Sven Björklund's father must have been Alexander Björklund, a journeyman furrier, who left Kristianstad for Stockholm in 1871, but has not been found in any of the parish records of that city.

I'd be interested in knowing if any SAG reader can help me locate possible descendants of Sven Björklund.

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Johannesson, Lindahl

My grandfather, August Johan Johannesson was b. in Boda, Lammhult Parish (Kron.) 10 Oct. 1852, s. Johannes Andersson and Ulla Johansson. With his wife Emma Marie Andersson, b. 6 Aug. 1857 and dau. Agnes Eugenia Mathilda, b. 21 Jan. 1880, they emigr. to America in 1881. Somewhere along the way they changed their surname to Lindahl, but it is not certain if this was done in Sweden or after arriving in the U.S.

I would like to find their names on a passenger list and establish the exact dates and places of their departure and arrival, name of the ship, the ship's agent, etc. We believe that they were enroute a matter of 17 1/2 days.

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Kindstrand

I am attempting to locate relatives in America. I know that many of my kinfolk on my mother's side of the family left Sweden ca. 1850 from the parishes of Värna and Kisa in Östergötland. The name was Kindstrand. I have quite a bit of material on the family in Sweden but would love to hear from relatives in the U.S.

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Westman

Anna Christina Westman is said to have been b. in Boden, Sweden 4 June 1862. She arr. in the U.S. in 1882 and m. Peter Olson from Bosarp Parish (Malm.) in 1885 in Wahoo, NE, where she spent the remainder of her life. Her marriage certificate lists her parents as Charles J. Westman and Britta Sjölin.

Nothing more is known of her and the parish records of Norrbotten fail to mention her, although there were Westmans who were b. in the area around Boden at that time. Can anyone help me identify my grandmother?

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Nilsson

Carl Emil Frithiof Nilsson was b. in Sweden 27 Feb. 1860 and departed from Göteborg on 3 April 1880 destined for New York. His brother, Gustaf Reinhold Nilsson, b. 6 June 1865, also in Sweden, departed from Göteborg 1 May 1891 destined for Chicago.

The mother of these two brothers was Johanna Nilsdotter, b. in Sweden 20 Sept. 1829, who accompanied her s. Gustaf Reinhold to Chicago in 1891.

I would appreciate any help in tracing these people or leads in locating their whereabouts in the U.S

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Nyman

I have been at a standstill over my second great grandmother, Ella Mariah Nyman, who arr. in America from Sweden in or about 1857. I find her, aged 11, listed with other Nyman families in the 1860 Census of Geneseo, Henry County, IL. However, I have no information on her parents nor place of birth. Any help on Ella or other Nyman families would be most appreciated.

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Nelson

Seeking information on Ambrus Nilsson (Ambrose Nelson), who came to the Baltimore - Annapolis, MD area as an indentured servant, b. ca. 1645-1650. He was naturalized by the Maryland Legislature in 1712 with Peter Overard and Joseph Crisman. He d. in 1728. Will exchange information.

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