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Persson

A brother of my paternal grandfather named Johannes Persson or Pärsson, b. in Myre, Ny Parish (Värm.), in 1846, emigr. to the U.S. 1867, settling in Rhinelander, WI. It would be fun to know if he married and if he had descendants.

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1064

Hedman, Larson

I am searching for information concerning some relatives in the United States.

1. Nils Hedman, b. in Gustav Adolf Parish (Värm.) 6 May 1855, res. in St. Paul, MN, and with his wife Maria had the following children:
 - a. Richard Emanuel, b. 1883.
 - b. Esther Christina, b. 1884.
 - c. Harold Paul, b. 1886.
 - d. Lawrence Mathias, b. 1893.
 - e. Ruth Naemi, b. 1896.
2. Carolina Hedman, b. in Gustav Adolf Parish 16 May 1851, emigr. in May 1885 together with her two dau. - Wilhelmina, b. 26 May 1874 and Emma Axelina, b. 9 Aug. 1879. Their destination was Chicago.
3. Edwin Larson was b. in Gustav Adolf Parish 25 Dec. 1904 and emigr. to Chicago 1927. He was m. to a woman named Olga, with whom he had two children - Birger, b. 1932 and Lorraine, b. 1934.
4. Gustav Larson was b. in Gustav Adolf Parish in 1891 and was a resident of Duluth, MN, in 1962. He was married and had two dau.

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1065

Ohlin, Barnes, Lockhart

I am seeking descendants of my relatives, Gerda Theodolinda Anderson-Ohlin, b. in Värmdö Parish (Stock.) 8 Jan. 1878, and her husband, John Adolf Ohlin, who emigr. to the U.S., settling in Salt Lake City, UT. John Adolf Ohlin d. 25 Dec. 1937 and his widow 2 March 1960, both in Salt Lake City. They had the following children:

1. Anna Eugenia, m. a man named Barnes of Los Angeles, CA.
2. Nils Gustaf, res. in Los Angeles.
3. Olof Carl of Bountiful, UT, d. in Dec. 1987.
4. Karin Gerda, d. in 1921, nine years old.
5. Elsa Ingeborg, m. a man named Lockhart of Salt Lake City.

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1066**Lilja, Lilly**

I am researching the case of my maternal uncle, Edmund Lilja, who may be identical to Edward Lilly, b. on the same date as my uncle, namely 4 March 1901. Lilja may have been transliterated into Lilly. He res. in Pennsylvania when he received his social security number 197-09-4072. He d. in Baltimore, MD, in 1979. I am interested in knowing if he belonged to a church before he died.

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1067**Swanson, Adams, Gragg**

I am looking for information on Mary Louise Swanson, who was b. in Sweden in 1891 and emigr. with her parents, Axel and Anne Björk Swanson, in 1896 and settled in the Chicago area. In 1914 or 1915 Mary m. a John Adams. She then m. a Jesse Gragg 10 May 1918 but was divorced from him in 1920. I have no information on Mary Louise after this date. Can anyone help?

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1068

Forsblade

John (Jan?) Forsblade, my great great grandfather, emigr. from Sweden 1875, first to Florida, then to California together with his dau. Ida Carolina, my great grandmother. I have no birth date for John, but his dau. Ida Carolina, was b. in Stockholm 12 April 1854; m. in Napa, CA 14 Oct. 1875 and d., presumably in California, 1 April 1932. Where can I get more information about my kinfolk?

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1069

Pålsson

I am looking for descendants of John Pålsson and Niclas Pålsson, the latter b. in Drängstorp, Båstad, Sweden 1872, my maternal grandfather. Both of them m. and had families. Niclas m. a woman named Emilia Hansen, with whom he had three children - Ella, my mother; Joseph and Elizabeth.

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1070

Hultgren, Eriksson

Elin Hultgren, b. in Lidingö Parish (Stock.) 15 Oct. 1859, res. in Eks-härad Parish (Värm.) 1862-1873. She became a school teacher in Sweden but in 1892 she left Sweden for the United States, locating in Chicago. Here she m. Conrad Eriksson, who was Swedish, but unknown if he was b. in Sweden or the U.S. My father, Gunnar Hultgren, visited the Conrad Erikssons in Chicago in 1936, at which time they were res. at 3321 Southport Avenue. Another address picked up by my father was 3711 Greenview Avenue, possibly an address belonging to one of Conrad Eriksson's children. I would certainly appreciate any help I could get to know what happened to the Conrad Eriksson family.

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1071

Hawkinson (Håkansson)

I hope to locate descendants of my husband's two great uncles, who emigr. to the United States. They were:

1. Martin Olof Hawkinson (Håkansson), b. in Bräkne-Hoby Parish (Blek.) 2 May 1869, settled in Minneapolis, where he d. 3 April 1959 and was bur. in Lakewood Cemetery. His funeral notice mentions two surviving children - Lucille Hawkinson and Clinton Walman Hawkinson. His wife is not listed since she probably was dead by this time.

2. Oscar W. Hawkinson (Håkansson) was also b. in Bräkne-Hoby 19 June 1887, settled in Minneapolis, where he d. 22 June 1962 and also was bur. in Lakewood Cemetery. His wife's name was Olga Persson, whom he had m. in Sweden. The funeral notice only mentions one dau., Marjorie Mc Grew (Mrs. John W.) and her two dau. - Carol and Jane.

My husband's grandmother, Johanna Mathilda Håkansson Ringstad was their sister, all of them children of Håkan Persson and Elin Pehrsdotter. There were also several siblings who remained in Sweden. We have much information that we would gladly share, including material about a cousin in Sweden, Sven Olof Listrop, who has been doing family research.

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1072

Ekstrom

I am interested in tracing my ancestry in Sweden. I have the following facts about my paternal grandfather:

John Axel Ekstrom was b. in Kalmar (Kalm.) 18 Nov. 1865 and d. in Casselberry, FL, 16 Oct. 1959. He emigr. to the United States in 1892 and m. 16 Nov. that year in Portland, OR, Emma Freeborough of Wellingham, England. The couple had two s. - John Henry Ekstrom, b. 22 Sept. 1893; d. 12 March 1959 and James Freeborough Ekstrom (my father), b. 15 Dec. 1899; d. 20 Sept. 1966. I would be very appreciative if I could learn something about my grandfather's family in Sweden.

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1073

Bergman, Peterson

My deceased husband's mother, Anna Elizabeth Bergman, was b. in Ör Parish (Älvs.) 12 Sept. 1878, the dau. of Sven Bergman and Magdalena Olsdotter. My husband's father, Sven August Peterson, was b. in Grinstad Parish (Älvs.) 1 June 1869, the s. of Peter Andersson and Sophia Svensdotter. I should like to correspond with an English speaking resident of either parish in order to learn more about these emigrants and if they left kinfolk behind as they sailed for America.

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1074

Anderson

We are searching for information concerning O.K. and Anna (?) Anderson, b. in Sweden, who arr. in the United States in 1861, settling first in Kane County, IL, and after two years there moving to Shelby County, IL. Sources claim that Anna died there. The couple had fifteen children, but we have only the names of two of them - Christina, who m. Ben Swanson, and Andrew B., who m. Mary Bachman in Rock Island, IL, in 1877. Andrew B. Anderson's obituary states that he was b. in Stockholm 6 Dec. 1854. The Federal Census for Illinois for 1870 lists O.K. Anderson with second wife, Mary J., 38 years old; Andrew Anderson, age 15; Andrew Johnson, age 14; Anna Johnson, age 12 and Emma Anderson, age 1. This seems to indicate that the second wife had children of her own. All the children, except Emma, were b. in Sweden. In 1873 O.K. Anderson moved to Kansas and d. there 1898. We would like to know more about O.K. Anderson and his wife.

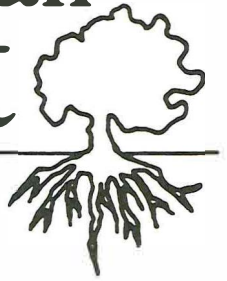
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1075

Skogsberg

I am looking for information on my grandparents' families. Charles (Karl) Magnus Skogsberg was b. in Gunnarskog Parish (Värm.) 22 Oct. 1861, the s. of Johannes Skogsberg and Marta Erikdotter. He arr. in the U.S. around 1886 and applied for U.S. citizenship in Rico, CO, in the 1890s. He was m. in Rico 13 Aug. 1892 to Alida Mathilda Nilsson, who was b. in Grönede, Kisa Parish (Ög.)

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27 May 1861, the dau. of Nils Fredrik Johansson and Catharina Andersdotter. They eventually moved to Nampa, ID, where they spent the rest of their lives.

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1076

Persson, Pearson

I am researching the fates of two relatives of my maternal grandmother who emigr. to the United States:

1. Karolina Persson was b. in Kålaberga, a village in Norra Strö Parish (Krist.) 19 Nov. 1869, the dau. of Per Larsson and his wife Kristina. She left for America 31 Oct. 1890. She m. in the U.S. and had with her husband about ten children. The family lived in Illinois where they owned a large farm.

2. Nils Persson, Karolina's brother, was b. in Kålaberga 30 July 1876 and emigr. to America 20 Oct. 1893. We believe that he also ended up in Illinois. He never m. and visited Sweden once, when he met my maternal grandmother.

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1077

Carlsson, Karlsson, Collender

My paternal grandfather, Axel Carlsson, was b. in Gustafsberg, Himmelsby Östergård, Östra Tollstad Parish (Ög.) 27 Feb. 1857, s. of Carl Gustaf Andersson and Stina Lisa Johansdotter. He emigr. to the United States and settled in Chicago, where he m. Christina Svensdotter, b. in Vättilösa Parish (Skar.) 12 May 1860. He assumed the surname of Collender and became a well-known and respected mason contractor and builder.

One of my grandfather's sisters also came to Chicago and m. a man named Robertson. She d. in childbirth, but the dau. Stella survived. I remember her from my pre-teen and high school years in Chicago. I should like to know more about that side of the Carlsson clan.

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1078

Olofsson, Larsson

My great grandmother's brother, Lars Ferdinand Olofsson, was b. in Garde Parish (Gotl.) 29 Oct. 1855, the s. of Lars Petter Olofsson and Sophia Elisabeth Larsdotter. He departed from Sweden 15 April 1880 for New York and since that time the family has heard nothing from him. He may have taken the patronymic Larsson, since his father's baptismal name was Lars. I would be very pleased to get some news as to what happened to my kinsman.

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1079

Lindquist

My father's name was Ivar Sigfrid Lindquist, b. in Sweden 1883, the s. of Carl Edwin Lindquist, who in turn was b. in Skövde (Älvs.). He d. in 1910. In addition to Ivar Sigfrid, his brother, Edwin, also emigr. My father d. in East Hampton, CT and Edwin d. in St. Paul, MN. I should like to know more about my grandfather in Skövde and his family. Who can help?

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1080

Peterson, Morby, Rydberg

I am searching for information concerning my great great grandparents, Andrew Gustaf Peterson (Morby), b. in Sweden 1855 and his wife, Christina Carolina Rydberg, also b. in Sweden 1859. I know that one of their children, Sadie Marie, was b. in the city of Norrköping 23 July 1881. I am interested in any supplementary information I can get.

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1081

Pettersson, Frisk, Karlsdotter, Appelberg

I am interested to learn what happened to my great grandfather's sister and her family. Here are the facts as I know them:

Anders Wilhelm Pettersson Frisk was b. in Alseda Parish (Jön.) 3 Sept. 1858 and m. in Alseda 30 Dec. 1883 Albertina Lovisa Karlsdotter Appelberg (my great grandmother's sister), b. in Västra Näs, Höreda Parish (Jön.) 30 Aug. 1855. They had the following children, all b. in Alseda:

1. Jenny Elisabeth, b. 12 July 1881
2. Anna Alfrida Linnea, b. 10 Jan. 1885
3. Ruth Elin Maria, b. 7 April 1887
4. Nanny Lovisa, b. 11 Nov. 1889

At this time the family res. at Apelhester Månsgård in Alseda. Anders Wilhelm, the husband, emigr. to America alone 27 March 1889, at which time the wife was pregnant. The wife and the children left for North America 25 Sept. 1890, destined for New York. It is not known where in the U.S. the family settled.

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1082

Karlsdotter, Appelberg

I am looking for information concerning my great grandmother's sister, Hulda Josephina Karlsdotter Appelberg, b. in Västra Näs, Höreda Parish (Jön.) 19 Oct. 1865. She worked for a short while as a maid in Hunseberg, Nässjö Parish (Jön.), but on 17 April 1886 she departed for America, her destination being New York. She is now known as Hulda Appelberg. According to a family legend she is supposed to have m. a farmer, perhaps in Minnesota, and had two dau. - Elsie and Louise. She was a sister of Albertina Appelberg Frisk (see query 1082).

Tore Sandh
(see address above)

1083

Neslund, Näslund

I am tracing my mother's family history. Her grandfather's name was Andrew Neslund (Näslund?), b. in Sweden 1845 and d. in Pierport, MI 1928. He m. Greta Ostlund. Andrew Neslund's father was also named Andrew Neslund, who m. Kajsa Holmquist. I would appreciate any help I might get.

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1084

Nordberg, Björklund

My wife's grandparents came to this country from Sweden at the turn of the century. They res. in Torrington, CT, and from the historical society of that city I learned that they were b. in Sweden - Gustav B. Nordberg, b. in Sordelhammer 2 Nov. 1875 and d. in Torrington, CT, 16 Sept. 1913. He was m. to Ellen Björklund (Björklund), b. in the province of Västergötland 15 Dec. 1879 and d. in Torrington 23 Dec. 1915. Both are bur. in Torrington.

How do I go about finding additional material on the Nordbergs?

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1085

Sahlbom, Peterson

I am seeking information on the Sahlbom family in Sweden. As I understand it from information gleaned from my mother, my great grandfather named A.W. Sahlbom was a member of a prominent lumber family in Sweden who got the family maid into trouble and in disgrace had to leave for America with his wife and possibly a young son. During the ocean voyage or some time afterwards, the wife gave birth to another son, who was named George Alfred. The wife subsequently d. and the ailing son, age 15 months, was adopted by Frank and Christine Peterson of Sioux City, IA, on 5 July 1888 according to adoption papers on deposit at the court house in Sioux City. Nothing has since been recorded on A.W. Sahlbom and the family lost track of George Alfred Peterson around 1917.

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1086

Seberg

I am seeking relatives of Jöns Nilsson Seberg (Sjöberg ?), b. in Sweden 20 July 1829, who emigr. to Faribault County, MN 1891 from Jämshög Parish (Blek.) He was m. to Bengta Eriksdotter, b. in Björkefall, a village in Kyrkhult Parish (Blek.), who d. in Kyrkhult 1888 or 1889.

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1087

Jonasson

The search for complete data for my ancestor, Per Jonasson, b. 1766, has led to a problem of identity. Is he identical to a Petter Jonasson, b. 17 April 1766? Both were b. in Nöbbele Parish (Kron.). Some records, such as entrance and exit lists, in and out of the parish, as well as household examination rolls are lacking for pertinent years. Thus, facts which could provide proof are not available.

1. Per Jonasson (my ancestor)

B. in Nöbbele Parish 1766. Complete birth data is not known. He m. in Sörabý Parish (Kron.) 1795 Kerstin Månsdotter. He d. in Kråknabben, Vederslöv Parish (Kron.) 14 Dec. 1846. Their children were - Måns, Magnus, Per, Anna, Karin and a s., b. dead. The first two were b. in Tolg Parish (Kron.), the others in Tjureda Parish (Kron.). His residence until the 1790s is not known. Who were his parents?

2. Petter Jonasson

His name is always written "Petter." B. in Nöbbele Parish 17 April 1766, the s. of Jonas Jonasson, b. 13 June 1729 (unknown where) and his second wife, Kerstin Andersdotter, b. ca. 1723. This is the only Petter or Per born that year in that parish to a Jonas. His half-siblings by Jonas' first wife were Maja, b. 1752 and Elisabeth (1754-1781) and possibly others. Petter res. in Nöbbele until 1784.

Although some facts fit together, family names and other facts do not seem to mesh. Are these two men identical, or two different men?

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1088

Johnsson

I would like to contact the descendants of A.W. Johnsson, who res. at R.F.D. # 2, Longmont, CO, in 1921. He was b. in Bäcke Parish (Älvs.) in 1843 and his wife, Christina, in Köla Parish (Värm.) 10 Sept. 1844. The wife d. in Longmont in 1911 or 1912. They had the following children -

Carl (Charles) F. Johnsson; Mrs. Dan Howard; Mrs. Albert Lund; Mrs. Scott Hershey; Mrs. Harry Yeager and Hattie Johnsson.

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