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## Dear friends,

Here we are again, and by now the summer is gone. It has been partly very sunny and warm, and partly rather wet – as usual in Sweden.

This issue of SAG is only 28 pages, instead of the customary 32, which is an effort to save on the postage. Next issue, the December one, will be back with 32 pages.

My most memorable moment this summer was the meeting with my 92-year old cousin in Skåne, whom we had not seen since 1980, as we seldom go there. I think she is a 5<sup>th</sup> cousin, as our common ancestor Nils Jönsson was born in 1769. (We do not use “cousins x times removed” in Sweden.) Nils’s daughter Elna, born in 1812, is my cousin’s ancestor. Elna’s younger brother Lars, born 1816, is my ancestor. The photo is of Lars’s wife Kersti Persdotter, born 1821. She and Lars had 12 children.



*Kersti Persdotter (1821–1897.)*

Hopefully very soon we will be able to peruse the scanned Swedish-American newspapers (*in Swedish*) from the website of the Minnesota Historical Society.

The newspapers are supposed to be searchable on all words, including names, and they have news both from Swedish-America and from Sweden. The latter ones are organized by province, and in those days they mentioned culprits and victims by name, so maybe I can find some people who have done things they should not have done.

Next on the horizon is the yearly SAG Workshop in Salt Lake City, where it will be so nice to meet with old and new friends.

This is the 25th Workshop since they were started in 1991 by Nils William Olsson!

*Till next time!  
Elisabeth Thorsell*

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Contact Jill Seaholm at <jillseaholm@augustana.edu>, or 309.794.7204. Thank you!



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*Salt Lake City*

30 October –  
5 November 2016 !



*The early morning line when the FHL opens.*

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