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Genealogical Queries

Genealogical queries from subscribers to *Swedish American Genealogist* will be listed here free of charge on a "space available" basis. The editor reserves the right to edit these queries to conform to a general format. The enquirer is responsible for the contents of the query.

Olsson, Olsdotter, Sundqvist

My father and four of his nine siblings emigr. to the U.S. and I am interested in knowing what happened to them. My father, Magnus Olsson, returned to Sweden in 1908 from Iron Mountain, MI, as did his brother Gustaf Olsson. But what happened to the rest?

Lars Sundqvist, b. 22 Feb. 1842, emigr. 1879 aboard the *Rollo*.
His wife Kajsa, b. 17 Sept. 1837, emigr. 1884 aboard the *Rollo*.
His dau. Inga Maria, b. 25 Jan. 1867, emigr. 1884 aboard the *Rollo*.
His s. Lars Magnus, b. 21 Sept. 1869, emigr. 1884 aboard the *Rollo*.
His dau. Kristina, b. 11 Jan. 1864, emigr. 1882 aboard the *Argo*.
Olof Olsson, b. 10 Dec. 1844, emigr. 1883.
His wife Maria Kajsa Nilsdotter, b. 28 May or June 1847, emigr. 1883.
His dau. Anna Charlotta Olsdotter, b. 10 Oct. 1874, emigr. 1883.
His dau. Hulda Maria Olsdotter, b. 13 Sept. 1878, emigr. 1883.
Karolina Olsdotter, b. 12 Jan. 1850, emigr. 1872.
Gustaf Olsson, b. 27 July 1865, emigr. 1892 aboard the *Orlando*.
Magnus Olsson, b. 16 Feb. 1867, emigr. 1890 aboard the *Angelo*.

The destinations in the U.S. were given as Rush City, MN, Iron Mountain, MI, and Chicago, IL.

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Hansson, Eriksson

On 22 March 1923 my grandfather, Jonas Adolf Hansson, b. in Graninge Parish (Vn.) 11 Feb. 1886, emigr. to Wisconsin, leaving my grandmother, Emma Johanna Eriksson in Sweden, expecting her first child. She was b. in Stigsjö Parish (Vn.) 16 March 1901. Jonas Adolf supposedly had the company of his two

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brothers, Johan Albert Hansson, b. 23 Feb. 1883, and Otto Gabriel Hansson, b. 12 Feb. 1884, both in Granninge. On 21 Feb. 1925 Emma Johanna also emigr. to Wisconsin, where she was m. to Jonas Adolf 29 March 1925. We have very little information concerning their life in America, except that a dau. Minna was b. and d. there. Emma Johanna returned to Sweden 21 Nov. 1928 and Jonas Adolf followed 6 Dec. 1929.

Jonas Adolf's brother, Otto Gabriel, remained in the U.S. and m. a Norwegian woman named Lilja Ingjerd Matheson, b. in Stören, Norway 15 Dec. 1899, with whom he had a dau., Elsa Ingjerd, b. 21 April 1921. I'd like to know what happened to this family.

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Swanson

I am trying to trace some of my relatives, two brothers, Per and John Swanson (Svensson) from Vinslöv Parish (Krist), who emigr. to Kansas in 1867. We know that Per res. in Kansas City, MO, in Aug. 1875, m. to a woman named Anna Söderström, who had res. close to Independence, MO. Per and Anna had two sons, b. 1876 and 1879. Per's brother John was employed on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad and may have m. his sister-in-law, Hanna Söderström. His last known address was Wichita, KS. We have a number of photographs of Per, John and their children, taken by a photographer in Independence.

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Kullman

I am searching for clues as to what happened to a maternal uncle of mine, Karl Walfred Kullman, b. in Källa Parish (Kalm.) 3 March 1890, who departed from Persnäs Parish (Kalm.) for the U.S. 23 Dec. 1910. He may have been in the company of a brother, August Gottfrid Kullman, b. in Källa 26 Jan. 1892.

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Lampa

I am collecting information for a book about the families of Lampa, Gyllenbååt and Lagersvärd. The research covers the time period of 1700-1950. Several families named Lampa emigr. to the U.S. during the 19th century and my problem is to contact their descendants. I pose the following questions:

1. A list of all immigrants named Lampa.
2. Their residence in America.
3. Are there persons living in the U.S. today named Lampa and did the early immigrants retain their surnames?
4. Were there any immigrants named Lampa who returned to Sweden from America?

I would be very pleased if I could get some answers to these questions.

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Editor's note: (1) Charles M. Lampa, glassblower, enlisted in Co. C of the Third U.S. Infantry Regiment in Pittsburgh, PA, 17 March 1851, but deserted 22 July 1852. He returned to Sweden and his s., Seth Christoffer Carlsson Lampa, emigr. to Pittsburgh as a glassblower. (2) L.J.C.Lampa, sailor, b. in Värmland, left Stockholm 10 May 1845 but jumped ship in New York in Aug. 1845. (3) A Swede by the name of Lampa from Värmland arr. in California in 1852 aboard the vessel *Nancy*. He worked in a tavern.

Enberg, Haynes

I am searching for relatives of my grandfather's sister, who emigr. to Seattle, WA, in the 1920s. They are Roy Enberg, b. in 1935 and Lillian Enberg, b. 19 Aug. 1933. Lillian m. a chap named Haynes. Both Lillian and Roy were the children of Gust Enberg and Maria Olausson. The latter d. in May 1945.

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Svensdotter, Wennerberg

I am looking for relatives of my grandfather's sister, Signe Maria Paulina Svensdotter, b. in Kävsjö Parish (Jön.) 30 Jan. 1888, the dau. of Sven Jansson. She emigr. to the U.S. 17 June 1912 and m. a man named Wennerberg. The last letter we had from her was dated 30 July 1921 and had the return address of Box 51, Corn, U.S.A.

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Hahr

I am searching for information on my great-grandfather, Franz J. Hahr, b. in Stockholm in 1825, who emigr. to the U.S. in 1849 and who taught at the Limestone Academy in Gaffney, SC, in the 1850s. During the Civil War he fought with the North Carolina troops, reaching the rank of major. He d. in Greensboro, NC, 22 Dec. 1877 or 1878. He had a sister Hulda, who also taught at the Limestone Academy, and a brother, Fredrik, an artist, who emigr. to Virginia. I do have *Släkten Hahr* by Gösta Hahr and I have seen Dr. Barton's work, *Letters from the Promised Land*. Do readers of this journal know of material, such as diaries, church records, etc. which would add to the study of my ancestor?

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Editor's note: Rosalie Roos in her series of letters to her parents during her travels in America, speaks of her year at Limestone Academy 1852, where she met Franz and Hulda Hahr. These letters first published in Sweden in 1969 were translated by Carl L. Anderson and printed by the Southern Illinois University Press in 1982 with the title *Travels in America 1851-1855*.

Strandberg

I am searching for information concerning Johan Strandberg, b. in Strand, Vika Parish (Kopp.) 20 Oct. 1818, who was m. to Anna Andersdotter, b. in Lerbäcken, Stora Tuna Parish (Kopp.) 28 April 1820. They had three children - Fredrik Adolf, b. 15 July 1857; Herman Theodor, b. 9 Nov. 1859; and Johanna Eri-

ka, b. 23 Nov. 1862. In 1874 the family moved to Ljusne, Söderhamn (Gävl.) and on 16 June 1883 the entire family emigr to North America. I have a picture taken somewhere in North America in 1944 supposedly depicting the children and grandchildren. Any help would be much appreciated.

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Flight Officer Bernard Arthur Jacobson

On 9 April 1944 a USAAF Liberator B24 bomber from the 755th Squadron, 458th Heavy Bomb Group in England was attacked above the western part of the Baltic by six German Messerschmidts and crashed near my home. Four of the crew members were killed, unfortunately, but six of the airmen saved their lives by parachuting. German soldiers in occupied Denmark captured three of them (including Jacobson), who were sent to a prisoner of war camp for the rest of World War II. As a boy, fifteen years old, I helped to find a hiding place for the co-pilot and radio operator and both of these airmen and the pilot were aided by the resistance through Denmark to safety in Sweden.

I have often wondered what happened to this crew who helped end World War II and liberate Denmark from the occupying forces. A little more than a year ago I began a search through various channels to find the airmen in the U.S. By March of this year I had located the pilot, Byron E. Logie, in North Dakota, widows of three of the crew and close relatives of three of the persons killed in the crash. I invited them all to Denmark the week around 5 May 1995, when we celebrated the **Fiftieth Anniversary of the Liberation of Denmark**. Ten guests arrived, representing four of the families. They stayed in private homes and we had some very good days together making friendships for life.

Now I have only to make contact with the remaining three airmen or their relatives and I am asking the readers of this journal to help me find Flight Officer Bernard Arthur Jacobson, whose address in 1944 was 3006 Doris Street, Detroit, MI 48226. His name suggests that he might be of Swedish extraction. I have contacted the Detroit City County Building, Michigan Department of Health and the regional office of the Department of Veteran Affairs. I have made four telephone calls across the U.S. but without result. Who can help?

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