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## Perils and pitfalls

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and her birth date is again given as 31 (*sic*) Feb 1809 in Moje. From the *husförhörslängd* we also learn of a younger brother, Eric born 14 Feb 1812, and that her mother Brita Danielsdotter was married 1 Jan 1820 with stepfather Båsen Per Persson. Now we know the names of both of Brita Ersdotter's parents: Brita Danielsdotter and Eric Ersson. With that information we search for and find her birth recorded on 31 Aug. 1809 in Moje.

Three surviving members of Jans Eric's family immigrated to North America. First was son Jans Jan Ersson who left 30 April 1873. Followed by his mother Brita Ersdotter, whose birth is still written as 1809 31/2, and sister Jans Anna Ersdotter who were noted as leaving the parish on 3 June 1875 without procuring the proper permit. It is clear that the notation appearing in *Hfl* AI:28, pg 58 for Jans Eric Jansson's emigration is in error and was meant for his widowed wife Brita Ersdotter.

Whereas the Swedish *husförhörslängd* is an amazing source of information for data including birth, marriage, death, and emigration it should be considered as a secondary source, not the primary source, and that data should be verified from the birth, marriage, death, and in-out records (if available) which are the primary sources for that information since they were made at the time of the event, whereas that data in *husförhörslängden* are transcribed from previous *husförhörslängder*.

**Editor's note:**

According to *Emihamn* database Brita and Anna had tickets for Willmar (MN?).

As Gagnef is in Dalarna the people there used the special farm names, in this case the farm name was *Jans*.

*There is a link to an online article on these names at p. 26.*

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*Dancers wearing one of the Dalarna folk costumes.*

## Allt för Sverige 2017 – Great Swedish Adventure

### Participants in alphabetical order 2017:

- 1) **Kurt Carlson**, 60, Naples, NY. Glass blower. He wants to come to Sweden to find the stories about his ancestors, and then to be able to share them with his son.
- 2) **Alexander Kronholm (a.k.a. Tej Mohan Singh Khalsa)**, 27, Boston, MA. Yoga instructor.
- 3) **Kristin Lancione**, 32, Los Angeles, CA. She works as a nanny, but also earns extra money by driving for Uber, and has written the script for the TV show "Beverly Hills Nannies."
- 4) **Victoria "Tori" Milar**, 28, Denver, CO. Server at a restaurant. She lived in western Africa for her first nine years as her parents were missionaries. Rock climber.
- 5) **Amanda Orozco**, 29, Portland, OR. student of political science. Mexican father, Swedish mother.
- 6) **Ann Oswald**, 65, Hickory, NC retired, genealogist. She wants to pursue her connection to the hero of famous childrens' song *Mors lilla Olle* (Mother's little Olle).



- 7) **Dylan Ratell**, 26, New York and Michigan. Artist in musicals. At a young age he dreamt of Broadway, and sang in church choirs, singing was his major at university.
- 8) **Cosondra Sjostrom**, 34, LA/Astoria, OR, entrepreneur, poet, and author of nine books called "Creepy romance." She is also a catering agent.

- 9) **Jack Waters**, 34, Salt Lake City, UT. Writer. Ex-Mormon since 2009.
- 10) **Nathan Younggren**, 25, Hallock, MN. Farmer, he also plays in a band and likes fishing.

Source: *Aftonbladet* 30 May 2017.

*The show will air in Sweden on 22 Oct. 2017.*