

SUMMER WORKSHOP

The estate inventory records put flesh on your ancestor's bones!

This class shows how the Swedish estate inventory records (*bouppteckningar*) deepen your knowledge about your Swedish ancestor. The estate inventory records are similar to probate records that include genealogical information about the deceased, listing the heirs and all the assets and debts of the deceased person. The class will demonstrate how to find an estate inventory and understand the contents. We will examine some estate inventories to see how they can deepen the understanding of your Swedish heritage.

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT IN SWEDEN

Did your Swedish ancestor commit a crime? Many Swedish researchers have discovered a note in the church books that an ancestor was imprisoned and desired to know more about the crime. This class begins by discussing the big picture question of the Swedish criminal justice system. The presentation will include a case study along show how one can find prison records in ArkivDigital.

How to Use DNA to Find the Unknown Father in Sweden

Between 1864 and 1917, it's difficult to find an unknown father in Swedish records. Gratefully, this is often within the range to use autosomal DNA data. If it's a paternal line, a Y-DNA test might help solve the problem. Either way, DNA combined with records can help find the unknown father. This presentation is based on the case study of Augusta Elisabeth Lindqvist, who was born out of wedlock in 1884. Discover the amazing tools of DNA to find unknown father's in Sweden!

Migration, Travel papers, and Government Inns in Sweden

There are many reasons why people move from one location to another. Sometimes the move was temporary for work or business purposes. Other times it was a relocation of the primary residence. If a person moved to a place they were "generally known," then the move was easy. Moving to a location where you were "completely unknown" was risky as it always stirred mistrust among the locals. This presentation will focus on the travel papers (*respass*), the government inn (*gästgivarigård*), and migration patterns in the kingdom of Sweden. As other resources are available, parish moving records and certificates are not included in the focus of this presentation.

Kathy Meade Bio

Kathy Meade is the North American representative for ArkivDigital AD AB, a company that offers online access to newly photographed color images of the

Swedish church books and other historical records. She has been working with Swedish genealogy for almost twenty years. Ms. Meade serves on the advisory board for the Swedish American Genealogy Research Center at the Swedish American Museum in Chicago. She volunteers at the Swedish American Museum in Chicago and the Arlington Heights Memorial Library in Arlington, Heights, IL helping patrons with their Swedish genealogical research. In a previous life, she lived and worked in Sweden and Norway for seven years during the 1990s, learning the languages.

Geoffrey Fröberg Morris, AG® Bio

Geoffrey Fröberg Morris AG has been doing Swedish genealogical research for over 35 years. He has been employed for 20 years at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah as a Nordic research specialist. Among his work assignments, Geoff has helped thousands of people search for their Swedish ancestors, engaged in many archival visits in Sweden, authored hundreds of pages into the Family Search Wiki, and routinely presents at conferences. He is the author of the book, *A Practical Guide to Swedish Church Records for Genealogy and Family History*, published in 2020.