

## Dear relative!

Good continuation of the new year 2014, a virtually untouched year ahead of us and I hope it will be a really good year for us all. Not only for us in the family , but also for everyone else in our world who are affected in various trouble spots. A year of peace and reconciliation would be highly desirable, where ethnic or religious affiliation is not used as a reason to maim or kill each other. Together, we could do so much more .

During the past year , I have met several people who asked if they are Långöra relatives , they 've heard in a roundabout way or think they remember that an elderly relative claimed that we are there , etc. It's just as exciting every time to check in our large family records if the individual is listed or not. Thanks to our dedicated genealogists in association registry has now expanded to over 22,700 items. Every time I write or say this, I get a reminder that it is largely thanks to Arne Olsson's dedication so an extra THANK YOU to Arne.

During the summer we had the pleasure of meeting our own U.S. Ambassador Bengt-Åke "Benke" Svensson, who was home on Senoren island to meet with his closest relatives. It was Bertil Petersson, Sture Karlsson and I who tooked a coffee break together at Lena's Café out at Torhamn. We talked strategy to spread awareness of our association in the U.S., where Bengt-Ake had some suggestions which most have now been implemented. We have now introduced an extra tab on the home page that lists the known relatives emigrated during the 1900s whose fate we do not know. We need everyone's help to fill these knowledge gaps for possible trace relatives who we do not know we have.

Memberships in the association is a concern for the future, we will secure opportunities for further research and redo registry into a modern database, but we need to get more members. Those who are doing this work works on a voluntary basis but it brings after all expenses such as licenses to genealogy programs, website management, web hotel fee, library rental, printing of folders, other printing costs, mailing, including postage costs, etc. so we need to be more. With your help in spreading the knowledge of our ancient relatives and our association, we hope to get more members in the new year. Do you have ideas about what we should do in the compound so feel free to contact us. All our contact details are on the website, www.langorslakten.com.

If you know someone who is relative but not a member please give him that membership fee is modest 50: - for individual members and 75: - Family Membership.

Plusgirokonto: 687256-8 waiting for his effort and disclosures him not to forget to enter their contact details on the counterfoil.

Want hereby wish all relatives a Happy New Year!

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