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JEWISH GENEALOGICAL AND ARCHIVAL SOCIETY OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA

3/10/2022

Hi Everyone,
Serafima Velkovich was very happy to speak to us providing tips for using
genealogical sources at Yad Vashem.
The correct email of the Reference Services is ref@yadvashem.org.il

The link to watch the lecture on Zoom is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/rUFFKxI2XLMZK_sy2Hd8maCbjz-D_UXuLG1oY8lym7rD6uuJL547BUbiNdVjTQpw.jh7aJfCpPzEfBiuY Passcode: i!7Lc2r%

If you would like to see the slides they are now on our website.

Beginner's Corner and Research Tips

Look for our **Getting Started with Jewish Genealogy** under the Publications tab on our website for a
comprehensive beginner's guide.

The JewishGen Discussion Group is a lively online forum for JewishGen researchers of all levels, whether
beginners or experts, to share information, receive answers to questions, and participate in the

JewishGen Community. Also, all postings back to 1998 have been archived and are searchable, creating an excellent resource for your research. *If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to join!* **Join the Discussion Group.**

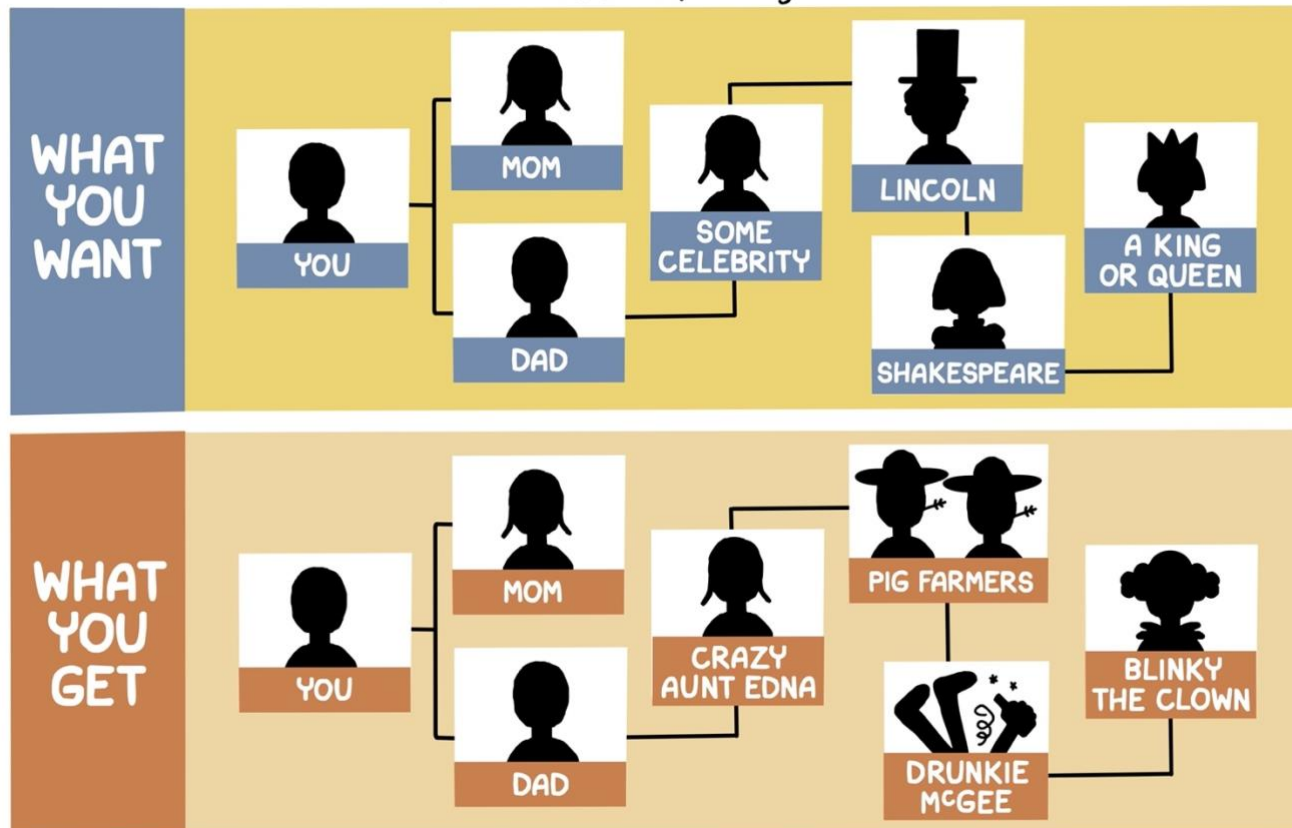
Go to the Discussion Group's Main Page by clicking the CONNECT button on the Homepage of JewishGen's website or via this link: <https://groups.jewishgen.org/g/main>.

Don't forget to search a variety of websites for information. I've found documents on Family Search that were NOT on Ancestry.com. See below **Conferences, Podcasts, Webinars, and Zoom Meetings of Interest** for the information about Todd Knowles and the Jewish Records update lecture about Family Search.

What does your tree look like?

YOUR FAMILY TREE

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Book Club Update

Our 1st book club meeting will be held on March 23rd at 7pm. Contact jgasgp.president@gmail.com If you wish to participate. We are discussing, "We Share the Same Sky" by Rachel Cerrotti.

Chronicles

Please submit articles to editor@jgasgp.org. Let Evan know if you are working on an article.
The next deadline is March 27, 2022.

Do you have successes to share? Any unusual finds you'd like to share? We enjoy hearing from fellow members. Our editors are happy to help you with editing your article. If you're not sure your topic is appropriate, ask Evan. We want to hear from you!

Contact Jim, webmaster@jgasgp.org for any questions about receiving your copy. Jim has posted all issues of Chronicles dating back to 1982 (Vol 1 # 1).

Contributions

We would like to thank all members who have made generous donations to our society.

From the President's Desk

Dear Members of the JGASGP,

Along with many of you, I have ancestral roots in Ukraine and Eastern Europe. My heart is truly broken, and my mind is simply bewildered. I know that we all share a deep concern for the now millions of refugees fleeing the unprovoked invasion of Ukraine. Its impact on the entire region and globally is more than we can possibly fathom.

On Thursday, I viewed a webinar hosted by the "Taube Center for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland Foundation" which is in Warsaw at the "Emanuel Ringelblum Jewish Historical Institute". A distinguished panel of both Jewish and Polish experts discussed the increasingly perilous situation along the Ukrainian border and various types of humanitarian efforts currently underway as well as expectations of what will be needed in the coming weeks and months. I was especially moved by the words of panelist Michael Schudrich, the Chief Rabbi of Poland. He echoed many of my own unspoken thoughts when he openly compared what he has personally witnessed during this crisis to images of deportations and family separations seven decades ago. As a teacher of the Holocaust, I have always taught students the mantra, Never Again, but these words seem hollow without action during this crisis.

The JGASGP Board met on Monday and discussed what we, as a large Jewish Genealogy Society, can do to provide assistance to Ukraine's Jewish refugees. We concluded it is best to make donations as private individuals.

Therefore, the JGASGP Board has chosen to make our personal donations to the JDC (Joint Distribution Committee), an American organization with a century of experience aiding Jewish refugees around the world. I am including, for your reference information about the JDC (extracted from its website) and its response to the Ukrainian refugee crisis. Donations to the JDC can be made via their website: www.jdc.org

Of course, there are many other well vetted aid organizations with boots on the ground in the reception centers along the Ukrainian border and throughout the region. I hope you will also choose to make a donation, whether to the JDC or to an agency of your choice.

The important part is being reminded of Tikkun Olam; our world certainly needs repair right now.

With my heartfelt thanks,

Felicia Mode Alexander

President, JGASGP



JDC is the leading global Jewish humanitarian organization.

What started with a cablegram in 1914 requesting the American Jewish community's support in aiding starving Jews in Ottoman-era Palestine continues to serve as a beacon of hope for Jews and others in 70 countries today. For over a century, we've put Jewish values into action when the world needs it most.

Rebuilding a shattered Europe after the Holocaust. Helping the fledgling State of Israel thrive. Assisting Soviet Jewry. Strengthening Jewish communities from Casablanca to Mumbai and beyond. Responding to natural disasters. We act whenever and wherever we are needed, propelled by our Jewish values and our commitment to mutual responsibility.

UPDATED: March 4, 2022

Ukraine is in crisis.

As conflict erupts across the country, Ukraine's most vulnerable Jews are in distress and JDC has launched an emergency campaign to meet their spiking humanitarian needs.

In more than 1,000 locations across Ukraine, JDC provides a lifeline for an estimated **40,000 Jewish elderly and 2,500 poor Jewish children** and their families through its network of care services, Jewish community programs, and Jewish leaders — and today, they need our help. <https://www.jdc.org/our-story/>

Does the invasion of Ukraine have you wondering about your Jewish roots there? Are you curious how to learn the specifics of your family's Jewish Ukrainian story? Are you looking for a way to contribute to help those on the ground in Ukraine?

Experienced Jewish Genealogists Lara Diamond (of Lara's Jewnealogy), Brooke Schreier Ganz (of Reclaim the Records), Tammy Hepps (of Homestead Hebrews) and Jennifer Mendelsohn (of Resistance Genealogy) have joined together to offer a workshop on Jewish roots in Ukraine. Hosted by the NY Genealogical and Biographical Society.

☆ GENEALOGY WORKSHOP TO BENEFIT UKRAINIANS ☆

Jewish Roots in Ukraine: Context and Connection

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| Your Family's Context: The History & Legacy of Jews in Ukraine | How to Trace Your Family Back to Ukraine |
| How to Access & Use Jewish Ukrainian Records | How to Connect Meaningfully to Your Heritage Today |

SUNDAY APRIL 3, 12:00–4:30 PM EDT
REGISTER ONLINE AT [TINYURL.COM/JRU2022](https://tinyurl.com/JRU2022)

All proceeds will go to Razom for Ukraine & the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. Your registration fee will be tax deductible where allowed by law.

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Date: Sunday 4/3. 12 to 4:30 p.m. ET

This workshop is designed for newer researchers, but there will be content for people with all levels of genealogy experience. We will cover Ukrainian Jewish history, records, and heritage travel.

[ALL proceeds will go to Razom for Ukraine and the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee.](#)
[The session will be recorded and can be viewed later by registered participants.](#)
[Signup and more info below.](#)

Please share with anyone you think might be interested. Thank you!

[CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](https://newyorkfamilyhistory.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/newyorkfamilyhistory/event.jsp?event=1308&fbclid=IwAR0dQ2s9ihIPtZVaT1VVLh7UgtIoVpo2TUzXHE67TuHM9Lah6mpO8J-Sgqw)

<https://newyorkfamilyhistory.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/newyorkfamilyhistory/event.jsp?event=1308&fbclid=IwAR0dQ2s9ihIPtZVaT1VVLh7UgtIoVpo2TUzXHE67TuHM9Lah6mpO8J-Sgqw>

Jennifer Mendelsohn

<https://www.apgen.org/profiles/jennifer-mendelsohn>

Future JGASGP Zoom Meetings

**Virtual meetings continue. We plan to meet live starting in May,
with a virtual presentation as well.**

* Some meeting reminders:

1. Please shut off your video during the lectures. Use "Speaker view" to focus on the lecturer.
2. Sign in 1-1:30 to ask questions, tell us about your finds or brick walls.
3. Please do not share the links. Our meetings are for members only and we appreciate your cooperation.
4. The chat function between members will be turned off during the presentation.
5. Closed Captioning will be turned on during the meeting.
6. Please type your questions into the chat. Please ask questions that are relevant to the presentation.
7. E-mail personal questions to me at membership@jgasgp.org.
8. The meetings will be recorded for members only. The link will be posted in the next JGASGP Newsletter.

Save the dates:

Sunday, March 27, 2022. *RETURN ENGAGEMENT*****

Time: 1:00 PM check in, chat, and schmooze (Optional)

Official program starts promptly at 1:30

Speaker: Gil Bardige, Experienced Genealogist and Speaker

Topic: "Help! Part 2 the Next Steps..." Analyzing your DNA by prioritizing your matches.

Sunday, April 24, 2022

Time: 1:00 PM check in, chat, and schmooze (Optional)

Official program starts promptly at 1:30

Speaker: Steve Morse

Topic: One-Step Web pages: A Potpourri of Genealogical Search Tools

Sunday, May 15, 2022

Time: 1:30 PM check in, chat, and schmooze (Optional)

Official program starts promptly at 2:00 *(NOTE LATER START TIME)

Speaker: Rich Venezia, an expert in the research of 20th-century immigrant ancestors

www.richroots.com

Topic: USCIS Genealogy Program: Certificate Files (C-Files)

Location: Congregation Rodeph Shalom 615 N Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19123

Sunday, June 12, 2022

Time: 3:00 PM check in, chat, and schmooze (Optional)

Official program starts promptly at 3:30 *(NOTE LATER START TIME)

Speaker: Jerry Zaks, Child of Two Survivors

Topic: Recovering the Past: Researching the Fate of One's Family in the Shoah

Location: Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel 8339 Old York Rd, Elkins Park, PA 19027

Sunday, July 10, 2022

Time: 1:00 PM check in, chat, and schmooze (Optional)

Official program starts promptly at 1:30

Speaker: TBA

Topic: TBA

Location: TBA

Help Wanted

Cemetery Data

Resource Guide Assistance Needed

The Greater Philadelphia Jewish Genealogical Resource Guide is well under way and scheduled for completion this spring, 2022, at which time it will be posted on our website in PDF format, with over 100 pages of genealogical information and exclusive access by members. We anticipate print publication of the guide, by the 2022 IAJGS International conference, for our members and conference attendees.

The dedicated group of volunteers working on final editing would like to add a section that previously was not in our 2009 guide: a section featuring plot plans of cemeteries in our area. We have about 15% of the cemetery plot plans but are looking for the remaining ones to add and make this section as complete as possible.

Plot plans can assist those looking for family members, particularly in cemeteries where there may not be on-premises staff when genealogists are making a visit.

We have developed a list of those cemeteries for which we are looking for plot plans and have posted it to our website. Please [click here](#) to access the list.

If you have any of the needed plot plans from cemetery visits or your genealogical research that you can scan or photograph, please send them to the resource guide editors at resourceguide@jgasgp.org.

Thanks to all for your contributions to the guide.

Please go to our website to access the list of the cemeteries with missing plot plans.

In the News

The IAJGS CONFERENCE WILL BE ALL VIRTUAL!
Stay tuned for more information.

Friends of Jewish Cemeteries Update: Dates added for Har Nebo and Har Jehuda



Volunteer Cleanup Day

Register at jewishphilly.org/cemeterycleanup

Sunday, April 3 | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Har Nebo

Sunday, May 1 | 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Har Jehuda

Sunday, June 26 | 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | Har Nebo

Sunday, July 24 | 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Har Jehuda

Stay tuned for more volunteer dates through Fall, 2022.

Additional Information from the Jewish Federation:

We encourage you to bring a water bottle and Kippah (if that is your tradition).

If you have a rake and work gloves, bring them along. We will have a limited supply available for use.

These volunteer opportunities are recommended for age 12 and up.

All volunteers must be fully vaccinated.

We recommend that all volunteers properly wear a mask outdoors when not eating or drinking.

- For the consideration of the health of others, please adhere to the [CDC](#) and [City of Philadelphia](#) safety guidelines. For the Jewish Federation's official statement on in-person gatherings, [please click here](#).

Har Nebo is open for visitors on Sundays 8:30-4:30 (sharp)

After attending a meeting of the **Friends of Jewish Cemeteries** I learned: Descendants are responsible for the headstone maintenance. The cemetery is responsible for the grounds. The perpetual care arrangements families made in the past do not cover the cost of current maintenance today.

MyHeritage announces new features! You should check these out!

- **LiveStory:** At our RootsTech keynote, we announced the release of LiveStory: an incredible new feature that makes your family photos speak and creates amazing video biographies of your ancestors! Click [here](#) to read the blog post announcement, [here](#) to try it out, and [here](#) to see an awesome video about it, which we invite you to share.
- **Blast From My Past podcast:** On March 2, we launched our first-ever podcast, featuring stories of people whose lives were changed by what they discovered through MyHeritage. Click [here](#) to read more about it and [here](#) to follow and listen to the podcast. See more info. under **Podcasts** below.
- **Family Tree Timeline:** Another big feature we launched in time for RootsTech is Family Tree Timeline, a new view of your family tree that allows you to explore how your family history unfolded over time. Click [here](#) to learn more.
- **1950 U.S. Census hub:** On March 3, we launched a brand-new content hub gearing up to the release of the 1950 U.S. Census next month. It's a fantastic resource for educating people on census records and what they can teach you about your family history. We would greatly appreciate it if you could include it in any list of resources you may be compiling! Click [here](#) to check it out.
- **Filae family tree profiles:** At the end of February, we added 269 million family tree profile records from Filae to MyHeritage. You can read more about it [here](#).

Membership Dues and Society News

A big grateful thankyou to everyone who has renewed! We currently have 376 members.

Only paid-up members will have access to our website, JGASGP Newsletters, Chronicles, and meeting notices. Members have access to our members only portal. Tell your friends!

Contact Marilyn (me) (membership@jgasgp.org) if you have any dues related questions.
Contact Jim (webmaster@jgasgp.org) with web access questions or receiving hard copy problems.
Contact Evan (editor@jgasgp.org) with Chronicles article questions.

Our fiscal year runs from January 1st - December 31st, 2022.

Our 2022 membership form is on our website. \$10 extra for printed Chronicles.

Conferences, Podcasts, Webinars, and Zoom Meetings of Interest

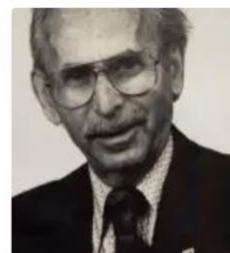
We (JGASGP) collaborate with HAMEC on various projects of shared interest related to the Holocaust. Read about the history of the America's first Holocaust museum!

Join HAMEC on Wednesday, March 30th at 7 p.m. for "Ethical Lessons of the Holocaust: The Philadelphia Connection - Virtual Grand Opening". The event will be held over Zoom and features a curated tour of our newly expanded exhibit. The museum is available to tour virtually at any time and will be available for in-person appointments starting in April.

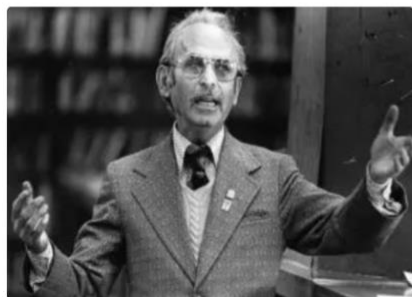
Click the link below to register:

Museum History

The Jewish Identity Center's Holocaust Awareness Museum and Education Center, **America's first Holocaust museum**, is 60 years young. [Yaakov Riz](#), the museum's founder, was a Holocaust survivor who lost 83 members of his family in Adolf Hitler's concentration camps. Riz vowed that if he survived he would dedicate his life to establishing a museum that would memorialize the millions of Jews and Non-Jews who perished at the hands of the Nazis. The museum's genesis, growth and struggle against intolerance are the realization of his dream, courage and commitment. The Museum was initially founded in the basement of Riz's home in Northeast Philadelphia and since then it has wandered around the Delaware Valley. As a matter of fact the Museum has been in Melrose Park, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, KleinLife in Northeast Philadelphia and in August 2020, the Museum found a new and larger home at [Reform Congregation Keneseth Israel](#) in Elkins Park.



Yaakov Riz, Founder



Yaakov Riz, HAMEC Founder

The museum's educational and community outreach is ecumenical and comprises a population that ranges from elementary school to older adults. Many students come from disadvantaged homes and some are from Syria, Sierra Leone, Liberia, and Serbia which are countries in conflict.

During the last 59 years, the Museum has educated hundreds of thousands of students and adults in schools, community groups, and organizations. Additionally we provide teacher training opportunities. Our programs emphasize the message that racial, ethnic, and religious hatred are social poisons that weaken the American democracy.

[Register](#)

WHAT'S NEW AT ANCESTRY®: FEB 2022 | THE BAREFOOT GENEALOGIST | ANCESTRY®

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IT-6h2jQIdE>

[Blogs.ancestry.co](https://blogs.ancestry.co)

Join Crista Cowan for an updated episode of "What's New at Ancestry." She will give a quick review of the virtual genealogy events you can attend in the next few months. You will also get a look at new features and tools now available on Ancestry that will help make your family history research easier and more fun. Finally, Crista will review some of the databases full of new content released recently and explain how they can help you find the stories of your ancestors' lives.

JewishGen.org on Youtube:

*Registration for JewishGen Talks webinars are free, with a suggested donation. Most programs are recorded, and available via the [JewishGen YouTube Channel](#).

YOU CAN'T FIND THE RECORDS – NOW WHAT?

What do you do when the records you need don't exist or can't be found? All too often, disasters (man-made and natural) and the passing of time may destroy the records we need to trace our families - or maybe the records we need never existed or are restricted by privacy laws. We will learn how to explore alternate records to build our family histories in the absence of "traditional" records.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mRPyBJZRkcs&t=831s>

SCJGS Santa Cruz Jewish Genealogical Society

Date: Sunday March 13, 1 pm Pacific Time/ 4 pm Eastern Time

Speaker: Todd Knowles, Deputy Genealogy Director at FamilySearch

Topic: New Jewish Research at FamilySearch

Register: [Here](#)

Zoom link will be sent out the week of the event.

Description: FamilySearch is one of the largest genealogical websites and grows more every day. Learn how to best access the Family History Library catalog Jewish records for a successful search. This presentation will highlight some of the newest features of FamilySearch and how best utilize them to find your Jewish ancestors.

W. Todd Knowles, AG, is a member of the staff at the Family History Library, where he has been for 22 years. He currently serves as deputy chief genealogical officer at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah. After being introduced to family history at the age of 12, he soon discovered his Jewish roots. The journey to find these Polish Jews has led to the creation of the Knowles Collection, six

databases that as of Oct 1, 2020, contained the genealogical records of more than 1.4 million people. Todd has spoken throughout the world and his articles have been widely published.

Beth Lozano Publicity-Santa Cruz, California publicity@scjgs.org

The (US) National Archives is holding a webinar on Monday, March 14 at 1:00 PM EDT (remember Daylight Savings Time begins at 2:00 AM on March 14 in the U.S. for those states which observe daylight savings time). This will be a conversation about the 1950 Census. The webinar is **free**.



The webinar will highlight statistics from the 1950 Census, provide historical context to how the 1950 Census was conducted, and provide information from the National Archives on how to access these records when they become available to the public and what resources are available now. A live Q&A session will follow the webinar.

The webinar will consist of a simultaneous audio conference and online presentation.

Attendees do not need to call in to hear the webinar audio. Accredited media members will be given priority for questions. Please dial in 15-30 minutes early to allow time for registration.

Webex link:

<https://uscensusevents.webex.com/uscensusevents/onstage/g.php?MTID=e53fc9fba1741c8c513b3201cf7640a63>

To read more about the webinar see:

<https://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-releases/2022/1950-census-records-release.html?linkId=100000114007022>



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Join Congregation B'nai Jacob University lectures:

Sunday, March 20, 2022, at 11:00 AM

Speaker: Barbara Cohen, a community leader, and a longtime member of CBJ

Topic: ***A virtual tour of Historic Jewish Philadelphia***



Barbara has been writing and giving tours in Philadelphia since 1976. She has master's degrees in International Relations and Interior Design and a BS in Education. Her passion is making history come alive and relevant. **Register for Zoom Link:** <https://tinyurl.com/HistoricJP> (Cut and paste into your browser)



Bucks County Genealogical Society - 2022 Monthly Program Lineup

Virtual via Zoom - Registration Required - \$5 Members / \$10 Non-Members

For more information, visit <https://www.bucksgen.org/index.php/bcgs-programs>



2/5/2022: "U.S. Census Records - Extractin Everything Possible" by Sydney F. Cruice

Census Records are one of the first record sets used when building a family tree, but many researchers don't know enough about this source to maximize the data contained in these records. Learn strategies to locate the missing, destroyed, misspelled and overlooked in these incredible government documents. Discover their hidden bits of information that can help provide answers, to your family mysteries. Explore the data reported in the U. S. Non-population Census Schedules, and where to find these amazing, but often over looked, documents. Examine the collection details behind Federal Census so you can better interpret, and utilize, all the information contained in these valuable sources. Learn the method to combine the data in the 1790-1840 Federal Censuses to reveal the birth years for the unnamed individuals in these under used census years.



4/2/2022: "Your Guide to the 1950 Census" by Lisa Louise Cooke

The census is the backbone of genealogical research. Here in the United States it gives us a cohesive look at our ancestors every 10 years between 1790 and 1940. And now there is a new census on the horizon! The 1950 Census is an exciting one because it may include your great grandparents, grandparents, parents and perhaps even you! It will provide opportunities to confirm some of what we already know and clues for new research. The 1950 census will be released by the National Archives in April 2022. Now is the perfect time to familiarize ourselves with it and start preparing. Learn interesting and little known stories behind the 1950 Census, what it can reveal about your family, and more!



3/5/2022: "Counting Her Life - Our Female Ancestors in the 20th Century US Census" by Gena Philibert-Ortega

What does the 20th century US Census say about our female ancestors? Much more than you would guess. We can learn everything from how many children she had, her occupation, to whether she lost her US citizenship, or if she was a "housewife" or not (and it has nothing to do with her occupation).

This presentation takes a look at the census using numerator instructions, historical data, and census reports. Think you know everything about the census? You might be surprised.



"Discovering Your Immigrant's Origins" by Rich Venezia

5/7/2022: Part 1 - Exhausting Every Resource

This presentation delves into various and diverse records that are found stateside so as to narrow down that search, as well as ideas for when the paper trail continually runs cold.

6/4/2022: Part 2 - Digging Deeper

Continue the search to find your ancestor's foreign origins in some lesser-known and lesser-used record sets that may help take the research subjects across the pond. Many of these record sets are also rich with genealogical details, and can help contextualize and fill in our ancestors' lives here in the United States.

THE JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF ILLINOIS

OUR MEMBER, DAVID BRILL

"GETTING THE MOST FROM REVISION LISTS" BY DAVID R. BRILL

Date: May 22, 2022

Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (Central time)

A separate, members-only online genealogy discussion will take place at 1 p.m.

Registration/RSVP Details **to be announced soon.**



Revision lists (*revizskie skazki*) are among the most important genealogical

resources from the Russian Empire and are often the only available confirmation that an ancestor actually lived in a particular shtetl. With the growing number of revision list translations on JewishGen and elsewhere, it is easier than ever to expand one's research beyond U.S.-based sources and discover previously unknown genealogical connections.

This talk will help both the novice and the experienced genealogist learn to navigate the world of revision lists. David Brill will cover:

- What are revision lists? When and why were they created?
- What are the differences between censuses and revision lists?
- What can revision lists tell me about my family and about shtetl life in general?
- Where can I find revision lists for my town? Are they online?

The speaker will explore examples of original revision lists in Russian and show how they can be used to trace Jewish families. The prospect of reading 19th-century handwritten records may seem daunting at first. But as more and more images of the original Russian-language documents become available to genealogists on the internet, the value of being able to read those records for oneself is undeniable. David will explain how even with no initial knowledge of Russian one can, with a bit of practice, become a "maven" at recognizing key words, names, and phrases.

Recommended Genealogy Websites with links.

Thanks to the Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston for this list:

[JewishGen](#)

"The first source to go to for Jewish Genealogy." Info files by topic and country. Family Finder, Family Tree of the Jewish People, Yizkor book translations and more. First Timer videos for the beginner.

[Ancestry](#)

Comprehensive source for U.S. and foreign materials. Free at many libraries. Paid subscription needed. for home use after free trial period

[Family History Library Catalog](#)

World's largest collection of genealogical records available on microfilm and online.

[My Heritage](#)

International genealogy research website and social network service. Available by paid subscription.

[Ellis Island](#)

[For immigrant arrival records from 1892-1924. Use the Steve Morse website \(next\) for easier searches.](#)

[Steve Morse](#)

Find your ancestors more effectively in the Ellis Island database and the U.S. and N.Y. census. A wealth of other genealogical material.

[Routes to Roots Foundation](#)

Identifies which Jewish vital records can be found in state archives in Eastern Europe.

[Yad Vashem](#)

World's largest searchable database of Holocaust victims' names and information.

[Center for Jewish History](#)

Located in NYC; a partnership of major institutions: American Jewish Historical Society, American Sephardi Federation, Leo Baeck Institute, Yeshiva University Museum; genealogy research library.

[JRI-Poland](#) (Home of Jewish Records Indexing-Poland)

Database of indices to the 19th century Jewish vital records of Poland.

[Italian Genealogy Group](#)

They have digitized many New York based vital records, especially bride and groom indexes.

[Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston](#)

Monthly educational programs, extensive reference library of worldwide resources, one-on-one assistance. Check out their calendar

[New England Historic Genealogical Society](#) www.americanancestors.org Based in New England but is a nationally known repository.

Podcasts:

Extreme Genes: America's family history radio show.

<https://www.extremegenes.com/blog/episode-388-classic-rewind-cece-moore-reveals-her-family-s-own-dna-surprise-cece-on-jane-and-john-doe-research> (This one is about CeCe Moore)

Family Tree Magazine

<https://www.familytreemagazine.com/podcasts/free-genealogy-resources-money-saving-tips/>

MyHeritage Announcing the launch of our first-ever podcast, *Blast From My Past* — now available wherever you get your podcasts, including [Spotify](#) and [Apple](#).



The *Blast From My Past* podcast will feature the incredible true stories of people whose lives were changed by what they discovered through MyHeritage about their family's pasts — whether it was a close relative they never knew existed, the key to unlocking an old family mystery, or a newfound connection to a long-forgotten legacy.

Our debut episode, "The Secret of Ereikoussa," drops today! It tells the story of Yvette Corporan, a bestselling author, and Emmy Award-winning producer who set out on a quest to confirm the extraordinary story her grandmother told her: that the Greek Island community where she grew up conspired to hide a Jewish family right under the noses of their Nazi occupiers. Listeners will follow along as Yvette digs for clues, and, with the assistance of MyHeritage CEO Gilad Japhet, makes discoveries beyond what she had ever imagined. This episode is just the first in a series of breathtaking and deeply moving stories. We can't wait to share the rest of them with you!

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