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### President's Shpiel by Kim Sheintal

The definition of "genealogy" is the study of family ancestries. It's amazing how the definition can be summed up in four words, but encompasses so much. Genealogy is more than the people. It's the places where your family members lived, worshipped, worked, and played throughout their lifetime. It's the dates of all of their life cycle events and for some the dates of naturalizations and immigration. It's the photographs, videos, documents, stories, traditions, and heirlooms.

Our upcoming *To Life!* series promises to be an exciting Jewish genealogy journey.

Sunday, November 17, 2013

Every Survivor has a Different Story by Beverly Newman Ed.D.

Sunday, December 15, 2013

Finding Vintage Family Photographs by Kim Sheintal

Sunday, January 19, 2014

Jewish Chorale

Sunday, February 16, 2014

Finding Relatives in Surprising Ways by Mike Schwartz

Sunday, March 16, 2014

From Madrid to Marrakesh by Sabrina Silverberg

Sunday, April 20, 2014

Show and Tell

Sunday, May 18, 2014

Come Out, Come Out, Wherever You Are!

Hide and Seek on the Internet by Donna Moughty

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### MEETING

Sunday, November 17, 2013 (1:00 PM)

Kobernick House

1951 N. Honore Ave., Sarasota

**Program: "Every Survivor Has a Different Story"**

For details, Kim Sheintal 941-302-1433, klapshein@aol.com

### Every Survivor Has a Different Story

The opening program for the Jewish Genealogical Society of Southwest Florida at Kobernick House on November 17 at 1:00 is "Every Survivor Has a Different Story" presented by Beverly Newman Ed.D. Members and guests are invited.

Surfing the Internet, you will find many web sites about survivor stories such as:

- <http://www.holocaustsurvivors.org/survivors.php>
- [http://history1900s.about.com/od/holocaustsurvivors/Holocaust\\_Survivors\\_Their\\_Stories.htm](http://history1900s.about.com/od/holocaustsurvivors/Holocaust_Survivors_Their_Stories.htm)
- [http://go.fold3.com/holocaust\\_stories/](http://go.fold3.com/holocaust_stories/)

Read page 3 of this newsletter for information about the Yizkor-Books-in-Print Project and Yizkor Books Project of JewishGen, Inc.

### Remembering Irene Midler by Kim Sheintal

Irene Midler, JGS of SW FL Programming Chair, passed away on July 14. She wanted to discover new cousins especially on the Hungarian side of her father's family. Although not successful, she connected with a young woman in her twenties about five years ago who had the same unusual last name that she was researching. This woman was born in Hungary and had recently moved to the United States. She visited Irene several times, but they never determined if they were related. This was the closest that Irene came to discovering a new cousin. Irene told me the surnames she was tracing. In her memory, I would like to discover new cousins of Irene's. If these people are anything like Irene, I know that I will like them. Please respond to klapshein@aol.com if you are related or know someone tracing the following:

- RIBARSZKY/RIBARSKY from Baranya (Hungary) and Sellye (Hungary) and Kadarkut (Hungary) and Pecs (Hungary); BRAUN from Pecs (Hungary)
- STERZFINGER from Hungary
- NEUFELDER from Hungary
- ZUCKER from Pecs (Hungary)
- SCHNELLER from Hungary
- MIDLER from Russia/Poland
- SAPOSNAKOV/SAPOFF from Russia
- MILLER from Russia

## Local Genealogical Societies

### Jewish Genealogical Society of Southwest Florida

meets the third Sunday of the month at 1:00 PM from November thru May at Kobernick House 1951 N. Honore Ave., Sarasota. President is Kim Sheintal (klapshein@aol.com).  
Web site: <http://www.jgsswf.org>  
Howard Finkel, JGS of SW FL Program Chair, has all programs set thru December 2014.

### Lakewood Ranch Genealogical Society

meets the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM from November thru April at Lakewood Ranch Town Hall. Their leader is professional genealogist Donna Moughty. For inquiries please contact Nancy Johnson (choco8448@gmail.com, 941-752-9819).

### South Bay Genealogical Society

meets the third Tuesday of the month at 10:45 AM at the Royal Palm Room at Little Harbor Resort, 611 Destiny Dr., Ruskin. The Regional Roundtable at 10:45 AM is followed by lunch at noon and a genealogy presentation at 1:00 PM, from September thru May.  
President is Maurice Musholt (southbay@juno.com).  
Web site: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~flsbgs/>

### Jewish Genealogical Society of Tampa Bay

meets the second Sunday of the month at 1:30 PM (social with light refreshments & library access), and 2:00 PM (featured program) from September thru June with some exceptions to accommodate speakers or holiday conflicts at Gulf Coast Jewish Family Services, 14041 Icot Blvd., Clearwater.  
President is Natalie Armitage (nramitage@centurylink.net).  
Web site: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~fljgstb/index.htm>

### Manatee Genealogical Society

meets the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 AM from October thru May at Manatee County Central Library, 1301 Barcarrota Blvd., Bradenton.  
President is Jim Reger (babeandjim@gmail.com).  
Web site: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flmgs>  
Computer SIG: meets about 11:00 AM (after the regular monthly meeting) on the same day and place.  
Roots Magic SIG: meets the second Tuesday of the month at 2:00 PM at the Westminster Courtyard on Main Street (12th Street West), Bradenton.

### Genealogical Society of Sarasota

meets the second Saturday of the month at 10:00 AM (mingling), 10:30 AM (program) from October thru May at Selby Library, 1331 1st St., Sarasota. President is Nancy Johnson (choco8448@gmail.com, 941-752-9819).  
Web site: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flgss>  
Germanic SIG meets the second Tuesday of the month at 9:30 AM from October thru April, but not in December, at the Family History Center on Beneva Road in Sarasota: Karen Dwyer (karensdwyer@yahoo.com).  
United Kingdom SIG meets the fourth Tuesday of the month from January thru April, and on a designated Tuesday in December at the Fruitville Library on Coburn Road in Sarasota:

Jean Wallace (walljb@comcast.net) and Susan Well (swell01060@yahoo.com).

Ireland SIG: volunteer leader needed.

Computer SIG: Joe Graham (Genealogy.Ten@gmail.com).

### Englewood Genealogical Society

meets the fourth Wednesday of the month (September thru May) at 1:30 PM at Elsie Quirk Library, 100 Dearborn W. St., Englewood with three exceptions: December and May meetings will be the third Wednesday at Elsie Quirk Library and January meeting (seminar meeting) will be the third Wednesday at the Suncoast Auditorium in the Englewood Community Hospital, 300 Medical Ave, Englewood.  
Contact: Sue Davis (suedavis101@comcast.net).  
Web site: <http://egsfl.org/>  
SIG Groups: Beginning Genealogy, British Isles/Europe, Eastern Seaboard States, Family Tree Maker Beginning, Family Tree Advanced, Midwest States, MAC/Reunion, and Scandinavian.

## Welcome New JGS of SW FL Members

Douglas Cohen  
Lee & Carol Kichen

## National & Florida Genealogical Societies

### Federation of Genealogical Societies

Representing the members of hundreds of genealogical societies across the United States and other nations, the Federation of Genealogical Societies is here to link the genealogical community and help its members grow.

Web site: <http://www.fgs.org/>

Web site: [http://www.fgs.org/cstm\\_memberLocList.php](http://www.fgs.org/cstm_memberLocList.php)

### Florida State Genealogical Society

**Mission: to inspire and promote awareness and appreciation of genealogy, family history and Florida heritage.**

**Web site: <http://www.flsgs.org/index.php>**

by Pattie Schultz, Society Publicity

The Florida Genealogical Society - Tampa is proud to present its annual Fall Seminar "Putting Method to Your Genealogical Madness" featuring J. Mark Lowe. The seminar will take place at the University of South Florida (Tampa Campus), Marshall Student Center, Room 2708 (Plaza Room) from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm on Saturday October 26. The price for non-members is \$40 and \$35 for members. There will be a boxed lunch available for \$7.50 with your choice of sandwich or lunch can be on your own. And the first 100 cars will receive FREE parking! Please visit our website for more information. For registrations forms, please visit: <http://fgstampa.org>. Email [info@fgstampa.org](mailto:info@fgstampa.org) if you have questions or need more information.

## IAJGS

The International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS) is an independent non-profit 501(c)(3) umbrella organization coordinating the activities and annual conference of more than 70 national and local Jewish genealogical societies around the world.

Web site: <http://www.iajgs.org/index.php>

## The Yizkor-Books-in-Print Project and Yizkor Books Project of JewishGen, Inc.

The Yizkor-Books-in-Print Project and Yizkor Books Project of JewishGen, Inc, are pleased to announce our newest publications, most in our standard hard cover format of approximately 7 x 10 inches.

These Yizkor books, originally written in Yiddish and Hebrew by former residents as a memorial to their beloved towns and the people who once lived there, have been beautifully translated and edited by our volunteers under the superb supervision of Joel Alpert, Coordinator of the Yizkor books in print. We are very grateful to all of them for their dedication. Original photographs and illustrations are reproduced in these editions.

All of the books published to date are available through Amazon and other distributors at a considerable discount. To view all the books included in the project so far and to see their colorful jackets, please go to our web site: <http://www.jewishgen.org/Yizkor/ybip.html>

Our latest available titles:

**YAMPOL, UKRAINE** - The town is also known as: Yampol [Russian], Yampil [Ukrainian], Yampola [Yiddish], Jampol [Polish], Yambol, Yampol (Wolyn), Iampol, Jampil. Yampol, Ukraine, is in the District of Volhyn. 49°58' N 26°15' E, 191 mi West of Kyiv. (Not to be confused with a larger Yampol, in Podolia, at 48°15' 28°17'.)

This book is the translation of the Yizkor (Memorial) Book (in Hebrew: Ayara be-lehavot; Pinkas Yampola, Pelekh Volyn-A City in Flames) of the destroyed Jewish Community of Yampol, Ukraine, written by former residents who survived the Holocaust or emigrated before the war. Includes the history of the community, descriptions of the institutions (synagogues, prayer houses), cultural activities, personalities (Rabbis, leaders, prominent people, characters) and other aspects of the town. It also describes the events of the Shoah in the town and lists the victims. All information is either first-hand accounts or based upon first-hand accounts and therefore serves as a primary resource. The book was originally written in Hebrew and Yiddish in 1963, translated into English by volunteers in the Yizkor Book Project of JewishGen, Inc. and then published by the Yizkor-Books-In-Print Project.

**PODHAJCE, UKRAINE** (Pidhaytsi, Ukraine) - Alternate names: Pidhaytsi [Ukrainian], Podhajce [Polish], Podhaitza [Yiddish], Podgaytsy [Russian], Podhairs, Pidayets, Pidhayets, Pidhajci, Podgaitsy, Podgajcy, Podgaytse, Podhaytse, Pidhajzi. Region of Tarnopol Podhajce is located 28 miles SW of Tarnopil and 30 miles NE of Ivano-Frankivsk (Stanislawów). The book also includes information about these nearby towns: Zlotniki (or Zlotnik), Zloniki, Wioeniowczyk and Zawalow. Originally written in Yiddish, edited by Me'ir Shimon Geshouri and translated into English by Jerrold Landau.

**NOVOGRUDOK, UKRAINE** (Navahrudak, Belarus) - Have you seen the movie "Defiance" about the Bielski brothers and their group of Jewish partisans? Are your ancestors from Novogradok? Don't miss this book. All information is either first-hand accounts or based upon first-hand accounts and therefore serves as a primary resource for either researchers or

to individuals seeking information about the town. It is a must for people searching for the history of their ancestors and for researchers looking for primary source material.

We are especially indebted to Oskar Delatycki z"l who coordinated and translated the book together with Aviva Kamil. Without their dedication, this book would not have seen the light of day.

Alternate Names: Navahrudak [Bel], Novogradok [Rus], Nowogródek [Pol], Navaredok [Yid], Naugardukas [Lith], Novaredok, Novogradok, Novohorodok, Novradok, Nowogradok, Nowogradek, Navharadak, Nawahradak Navahrudak, Belarus, in the Region of Minsk. 53°36' N 25°50' E, 74 mi WSW of Minsk.

**OSTROW MAZOWIECKA:** This book is the translation of the Memorial (Yizkor) Book of the destroyed Jewish Community of Ostrow Mazowiecka, Poland, (in Hebrew: Sefer ha-zikaron le-kehilat Ostrov-Mazovyetsk). It contains the history of the community in addition to descriptions of the institutions (synagogues, prayer houses), cultural activities, personalities (Rabbis, leaders, prominent people, characters) and other aspects of the town. It also describes the events of the Shoah in the town and lists the victims. All information is either first-hand accounts or based upon first-hand accounts and therefore serves as a primary resource for either research or to individuals seeking information about the town. The book was originally written in Hebrew and Yiddish in 1960.

Ostrów Mazowiecka, Poland is also known as: Ostrów Mazowiecka [Polish], Ostrov-Mazovyetsk [Yiddish], Ostrova [Yiddish], Ostrow, Ostrov, Ostrova, Ostrove, Ostrevo, Mazovyetska, Ostrov-Mazovetskiy, Ostrow Mazowiecki

**THE MAPLE TREE BEHIND THE BARBED WIRE:** A Story of Survival from the Czestochowa Ghetto (Czestochowa, Poland) - Jerzy Einhorn, a survivor, wrote this touching memoir originally published in Swedish. The book has also been published in Polish and Russian.

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### 2013 IAJGS Achievement Award Winners

The winners were honored at the banquet held on Thursday evening, Aug. 8, at the 33rd IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy in Boston.

IAJGS Lifetime Achievement Award - Dr. Neville Y. Lamdan

Outstanding Contribution to Jewish Genealogy via the Internet, Print or Electronic Product - JewishGen KehilaLinks

Outstanding Programming or Project that Advances the Objectives of Jewish Genealogy - Gesher Galicia, for its Cadastral Map & Landowner Records Project and the Gesher Galicia Map Room

Outstanding Publication by a Member Organization of IAJGS - Jewish Genealogical Society of Toronto, for its book, Tracing Our Roots, Telling Our Stories

**JGS Show and Tell**  
by Alex Morris



My Dad, Alexander Cecil Morris, was truly an orphan-made-good. Born in 1889 in Manhattan, he and three older siblings were orphaned when their parents died of consumption, tuberculosis, and put in an orphanage to keep them together. St. Vincent’s School for Boys had a band and taught him to play the harmonica, clarinet and violin. The band occasionally accompanied Theodore Roosevelt and marched in his 1905 Presidential Inauguration Parade.

Morris enlisted in the Navy in 1907 to become a musician, became leader of the Brooklyn Naval Shipyard Band, and made his first radio broadcast from the Edison laboratory in 1920. In 1925, he helped form the US Navy Band in Washington and also became bandleader on the Presidential Yacht “MAYFLOWER,” serving Presidents Harding, Coolidge, Hoover, and Roosevelt. Eventually, Morris became leader of the Naval Academy’s Band. Lieutenant Commander Morris retired, greatly honored as an exemplary officer, in 1955 with over 47 years’ service.

The dish shown, along with a demitasse, Morris swiped from the yacht Mayflower after Franklin Roosevelt, whom he admired, used them. Unfortunately, we boys had no grasp of their value to our parents and smashed the demitasse to bits fooling around. We now know better. If only....

**Wonderful World of Websites**

<http://www.bh.org.il/event-item.aspx?113867>

2013 My Family Story –  
Manuel Hirsch Grosskopf International Annual Competition

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nASSn4rDXh4>

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**Jewish Genealogical Society of Southwest Florida**  
**2013 Membership Application**  
**(dues for year ending December 31, 2013)**

2013 Single Membership: \$25/year

2013 Family Membership: \$30/year

Mail Check (payable to JGS of SW FL) with this form to:  
Liz Klaber 4461 Violet Avenue Sarasota, Florida 34233

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