

IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE:

July Meeting

Find Out Information from Naturalization and Passenger Ship Records Joyce Loving, Speaker

> Thursday, July 15 7:30 p.m.

Jablon Youth Lounge United Hebrew Congregation 13788 Conway Road

July Discussion Group Thursday, July 22 1:00 p.m. Special Collections 5th Floor St. Louis Co. Library 1640 Lindbergh Blvd.

July Board Meeting Thursday, July 29 7:00 p.m. United Hebrew, Room 15 All members welcome!

August Meeting

It Takes A Dream--The Story of Hadassah Judy Berkowitz, Speaker

Thursday, August 19 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Held At: Jablon Youth Lounge United Hebrew Congregation 13788 Conway Road

July Meeting

Find Out Information from Naturalization and Passenger Ship Records Guest Speaker: Joyce Loving

Great Jewish genealogical material is as near as Special Collections at St. Louis County Library Headquarters, 1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd. Joyce Loving, Manager of Special Collections, has been working with her staff to develop a strong Jewish Resources section.

Ms. Loving will be the guest speaker at the JGS of St. Louis meeting at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, 15 July 2004, in the Jablon Youth Lounge at United Hebrew Congregation. Joyce will demonstrate how to utilize naturalization and passenger ship records.

Special Collections has indexed the microfilmed St. Louis naturalization records from 1906 through the early 1920's. These naturalization records contain numerous declarations for citizenship by Jewish immigrants. Many of the declarations list name changes as well as other informative material. Special Collections has also acquired some passenger ship records.

This is a "must" meeting for JGS of St. Louis members! It surely will open up new insights into Jewish genealogy research.

Correction

The June article on Charlotte and Sheldon Rudnick stated that Charlotte had written *Scattered Seeds*, the history of her family. However, the book was written by a cousin, George Sandheim. We are sorry for the error.

August Meeting

It Takes A Dream— The Story of Hadassah Guest Speaker: Judy Berkowitz

Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America, was founded in 1912 by Henrietta Szold. Since its inception, Hadassah has remained unwavering in its devotion to Judaism, Zionism, and American ideals. As the largest volunteer organization and the women's organization largest in America, Hadassah is committed to strengthening the unity of the Jewish people. It reaches its goals in the U.S. through Jewish and Zionist education programs, Zionist youth programs, and health awareness programs, and it advocates for issues of importance to women and to the American Jewish community.

Many families can claim multigenerational memberships in Hadassah. Judy Berkowitz, executive director in St. Louis, will discuss the history of Hadassah and how our relatives have supported and contributed to it. We will be informed about how we can access Hadassah's archives to find our ancestors' involvement in Hadassah. As part of her program, Judy will show memorabilia, and she encourages you to bring your own Hadassah memorabilia.

Judy Berkowitz has been the executive director of the St. Louis Hadassah Chapter since February 1999. Master's Degree She has а in counseling. Before working at Hadassah, she worked for twenty years as a clinical social worker, case worker, and clinic coordinator at Jewish Family Services in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Come to the meeting on Thursday, 19 August at 7:30 p.m. and learn more about Hadassah.

Presidents' Message

Changes in Dues

June has been a busy month for JGS of St. Louis. In order to make it a bit easier on the treasurer, the Board decided to collect all members' dues at the same time—July 1. We also needed to raise the dues for the first time since we were founded almost ten years ago. We have received a great response from our members with lots of renewals and information sheets filled out. If you didn't receive your letter, or if you have any questions, please call Peggy Nehmen at 314-727-7612.

June Meeting/Discussion Group

Our meeting in June was a presentation by our new program chair, Joel Shedlofsky, on evaluating Web sites. He walked us through the process without making it too complicated. Our thanks to Joel.

The Discussion Group has been revived. Sylvia Jaffe has volunteered to lead it again and she had fifteen people at the meeting on June 24! She used her search for Art's grandfather as an example to explain genealogical methods and resources. Thank you, Sylvia. We hope those of you who are free in the afternoons will continue to attend the Discussion Group.

And JGS Still Needs . . .

We also learned in June that Gene Schneider, who wears so many hats in JGS that we can't count them, told us that he has to give up some of those responsibilities. So we need YOU to take over. Gene has been our technological consultant and Webmaster, as well as being in charge of the computer aspects of the cemetery, funeral home, marriage, and surnames projects. We don't expect one person to do all of this, so pick out something you can do and volunteer three to four hours a month for these important activities. Call Jerry Goldberg at 314-434-2566.

We are still looking for a treasurer. If you like balancing your checkbook, this is the spot for you. You can do it all on paper or use *Quicken* or *Money* (or any software of your choosing) on the computer. The very hard part of the job has been taken over by Peggy Nehmen, our VP of Membership. Many of us helped Peggy with the dues mailing, but she organized it all.

So along with your own research, please help JGS carry out the activities we sponsor so everyone can find their family stories.

Jerry Goldberg and Ilene Wittels,

JGS of St. Louis Co-Presidents

Discussion Group Field Trip Planned for July

Need help in your family research? Do you want to learn new methods in research using the computer? Do you want to discuss topics of Jewish interest vital to family research? Do you want to participate in local JGS genealogical research trips?

If so, attend the Discussion Group sessions conducted by the society. The Discussion Group meets at 1 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month at United Hebrew Congregation. The July discussion group, however, will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, 22 July 2004, in Special Collections, St. Louis County Library Headquarters, 1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd. This field trip to the library will allow members to research passenger records, naturalizations, and other resources mentioned by Manager Joyce Loving during her talk at the



monthly meeting on 15 July.

For further information contact Discussion Group leader, Sylvia Jaffe at <Letvak@aol.com> or 314-434-8392.

Tribute Cards: Contribute to Someone's Well Being By Sylvia Jaffe

Do you know someone who is ill? Send a get well card immediately! Do you know someone who has lost a beloved relative? Send a sympathy card immediately! Do you know someone who is celebrating a birthday or anniversary, has had a baby or welcomed a grandchild into the family circle? Send a congratulations card immediately!

Sending a card for whatever the reason is a mitzvah, for the get well card is as important as medicine to the ill person. The sympathy card informs the recipient that you understand his/her grief. The congratulations card tells the recipient of your joy for his/her happy event or good fortune.

I know of what I speak/write! The get well cards I received during my recent illness perked up my spirits when I was feeling low.

The JGS of St. Louis tribute card is the perfect card to send, for it warms the heart of the recipient while helping build up the society's genealogical library.

Carolyn Altman is Tribute Chair. Call her today at 314-432-2757 to obtain Tribute Cards or ask her to send a Tribute Card for you.

What's In A Name? **Multiple Meaning Names And Others**

By Chuck Jackson

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Perhaps, by now, you have found naming conventions could, and most likely are, haphazard at best. Then, to make it more challenging for those of us in the United States and other lands to which our ancestors immigrated to escape persecution, they completely changed their last names and, sometimes, their first names. They "Anglicized" them or, if going to Israel, they "Hebrewtized" them. Why? To leave the unspeakable memories behind. The idea some had was to start a new life in the New Land; the old life must be left behind. A name change would definitely be a step in that direction. So, do not rely entirely on the meaning of the surname and, especially, the geographic origin of the surname. This column is meant to be a guide and only that and nothing else. Please keep that in mind.

Some names that appear in this list are names which I believe I missed in previous articles. If the name is a repeat from a previous article, then we may call it a "refresher."

SCHEINBERG	Scheinberg may be the Yiddish name for a town in Western Prussia, Schoenberg. But most people with this family name honored a matriarch by the name of Shayna. Also appears as Schein, Scheinman, Schenman, Schenberg, Schenberger, Scheinberger, Scheinfeld, Schenfeld.
SCHLEIFER	In German, a "knife grinder" or a "diamond polisher." May also mean one who comes from the Silesian town of Schleife.
SCHLOSSMAN	"Shlos," in Yiddish, means "lock" and the name refers to either a locksmith or a dealer in locks or hardware.
SHAFRAN	Shafran, in Russian, means "saffron" and refers to either one who sold this spice or one who had saffron-colored (red) hair.
SHOLK	Russian for "silk." The name was adopted by one who sold the material or it describes a person who wore silk.
SOBOL	A popular name for women in Poland and Russia and signifies homage to a matriarch with that name.
STEINER	The name is often derived from many of the towns found throughout Poland which are called Kamien, which is translated to "stone" or "rock." Sometimes the presence of a large rock formation caused a number of towns and villages in Galicia to be called "shteyn" and the Jewish inhabitants were referred to as Steiner. Another derivation of the name is the occupation of jewelers; they were often called "Steiner," as they dealt in precious stones, called "Edelsteine" in German.
TABACHIN	"Tabach" means "butcher" or "cook" and is derived from the Hebrew word "tabah." Tabachin means "the son of a butcher/cook." Notice the -in suffix which means, in Russian, a descendent of the person.
TARLER	May be a person from Tarlo, a town in the Polish province of Lublin. Or may be from "tarlo," the Polish word for "file" or "grater" and would signify a seller of hardware.
TARSHISH	In the book of Jonah we are told the prophet tried to escape in a ship bound for Tarshish. This association may have caused the name to be selected by a person named Jonah. Another possibility is that Tarshish is a precious stone mentioned in the Bible and may have been selected by a person who was a dealer in gems, or it may have been selected just as the product of someone's imagination.
TAUB	There are two known roots for this name. A house in Frankfurt had the sign of a dove ("Taube" in German) over its door and the name was derived from the sign, as many Frankfurt inhabitants did when surnames became mandatory. Another meaning, which is the one most used, is a descendent of Jonah which, in Hebrew, is "dove."
TEMKIN	From Teman which is the abbreviated form of Tamar or Tamara.
TWERSKY	Menahem Nahum of Chernobyl (died in 1798) was a founder of an important Hasidic dynasty. He took Twersky as his family name because a mystic tradition states the Messiah will make his first appearance in Tiberias, one of the four holy cities in the Middle East. "Twersky" means "one coming from Tveriah." Tveriah is the Hebrew name for Tiberias. Another meaning or source for the surname Twersky is from the Russian town of Tver. It is thought that many who carry the name Twersky came from Tver.
UNNA	From the town of Unna in the duchy of Berg, Germany.
Conorations	Rabbi Kaganoff, Arthur Kurzweil, and Eli N. Evans, many, many thanks.

Meet the Members: Beverly Einstein and Joanne Schuver

By Sylvia Letvak Jaffe

Beverly Einstein and Joanne Schuver met in the spring of 2001. Joanne reveals, "Several of us began playing Mah Jongg on a regular basis. Beverly was looking for a condo at the time and bought one around the corner from me in Briarcliff. We also discovered we both were members of JGS of St. Louis and started going to meetings together." The two friends became active in the society and volunteered to help index the marriage records. They have completed the records at Traditional Congregation. They will now work on the indexing of marriage records at United Hebrew Congregation.

Beverly moved from Los Angeles, California, to St. Louis in 2001 to be near her daughter. She was born in Brooklyn, New York. Her family moved to Birmingham, Alabama, when she was nine years old. Beverly and her first husband, Ralph Elliott Kaplan, were living in a small southern community when he died in 1983. She soon received a job offer in California, and as the children were in college, she decided to take the position. Her second husband, Lloyd Theodore Einstein, passed away in December 2000. Beverly has two children from her first marriage and says that they have lit up her life with four grandchildren.

Joanne is a native St. Louisan. Her husband died in 1984. They had four children. Joanne now does a lot of baby sitting for her nine grandchildren. Joanne's interest in genealogy was aroused in the summer of 1999. She shares, "A cousin asked me where the Jewish 'Wilson' name originated and inquired if I knew the original surname. My mother was a Wilson and had five older brothers. I told her I



would see if I could find any information. I called Sylvia and Art Jaffe because I knew they were involved with the JGS of St. Louis. Sylvia and I talked about JGS and she invited me to enroll in the beginning genealogy course and to become a member. I had learned of the JGS of St. Louis through the *Jewish Light* and read of its many events and meetings in other newspapers."

Joanne Schuver

Beverly says she first became interested in tracing her family when "I was in the hospital

recovering from extensive back surgery and I realized then that my children had never met many of their distant relatives, didn't know who they were, where they came from nor any family history" She joined the JGS in Orange County, California in 1999. The California society was very helpful in getting her started in family research. She learned about JGS of St. Louis shortly after moving to the city. She adds, "I was thrilled to learn that a JGS group existed in St. Louis."

Both Joanne and Beverly feel strongly about being a member of an ethnic society. Beverly points out,

"We have a common history and goals and understanding of the movement and immigration difficulties of our forbears. Members can be very helpful in providing knowledge of new research tools and resources." Joanne adds, "Beverly is right. The members have similar backgrounds in many of the same countries."

Beverly is working on her own family as well as her husbands' families. She is researching the surnames



Beverly Einstein

MANDELBAUM, MILLER, and COPELAN in Divin, (Dywin) Poland; KOWALSKI (SMITH) in Suvalki, Latvia; KAPLAN in Minsk; ZAGLIN (ZAGLINSKY) in Kedainial, Lithuania; and EINSTEIN and FURER in Odessa, Ukraine. Her most exciting discovery, she says, was learning that her second husband was a distant cousin of Albert Einstein.

Joanne states "I have information going back to 1770 on my husband's family. Once a month I meet for lunch with my maternal cousins. We meet at each others' homes and share photos and memories of the family." Joanne is researching the surnames WILSON and ICHKOWSKY in Russia; KALISH, FRANKEL, EASTMAN, and SCHUVER in Poland. Her most exciting discoveries were locating the naturalization documents on her grandfather, William Kalish; receiving a copy of the ship manifest with her husband's mother's name; and reuniting with cousins, some of whom she had not seen in forty years.

Joanne was an executive secretary at Saks Fifth Avenue. She retired after seventeen years in 1996 and took a part-time position as a receptionist for a psychiatrist. Three years later she retired. Beverly, too, was involved in the business world. She was a buyer for a paper company, in both fine paper and industrial paper supplies. She was also an office manager for a garment manufacturer.

Both members emphasize that the beginning genealogy course they took through the society was extremely helpful. They also advise new members to interview older family members immediately.

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Wooden Synagogues of Poland

Moshe Verbin, who left Poland for Israel just prior to WWII, has created meticulous models of the destroyed wooden synagogues of Poland in the 17th and 18th Century. The models themselves are now on a permanent display at "ORT" College in Givat Ram, Jerusalem, Israel. The models and documentation about each synagogue are in two display windows in the main corridor of the college, which is situated on the right side of the entrance to Hebrew University.

The synagogues are of the following towns: Bzhozdovtse, Gombin (Gabin), Grodno, Gwozdziec, Jablonow, Janow Sokolski, Jurborg, Kamionka, Strumilova, Khodorov, Konskie, Kornik, Lutomiersk, Narowla (Narovlya), Nasielsk, Odelsk, Olkeniki, Pechenizhin, Pogrebishche, Przedborz, Shukyany, Sniadowo, Suchowola, Uzlyany, Warka, Wilkowishki, Wolpa, Wysokie Mazowieckie, Wilkowishki, and Zabludow.

You can visit a virtual tour of the exhibition, if traveling to Israel is not in your future. If it is, you may want to put a detour to ORT College on your agenda.

The Web site is **<www.zchor.org/verbin/verbin.htm>**. Be sure to scroll down to read the absorbing information about the wooden synagogues, their construction, and about Moshe Verbin. Then click on each small photo for an enlarged image to see the amazing detail that Mr. Verbin used in his models.

Time of Day Matters in Reading Headstones

From Ancestry Daily News, 9 July 2002

A reader named Trish wrote, "I was astounded to find my husband's great-grandparents' long-lost tombstone in the cemetery where I had long been doing research. The cemetery records had been burned . . . so they weren't available. . . . I figured the great-grandparents died so long ago that their tombstone was lost to the ages.

One day, instead of being at the cemetery at my usual 10 a.m., I was there at 3 p.m. There in the row behind the many family plots, I caught sight of familiar names on a tombstone that was so old it was unreadable in the morning light. I had paid no attention to it before, but this tombstone came to life in the afternoon sun. It was my husband's greatgrandparents, and one of those jaw-dropping moments. I even learned his great-grandmother's maiden name and their dates of birth. A different time of day or time of year might make all the difference in reading a tombstone."

Genealogy Events of Interest: July/August 2004

St. L. Genealogical Society & St. L. County Library Present:

Tuesday, 13 July 20047:00 p.m. at Co. Library Headquarters AuditoriumUsing PERSI in Family History Research

Speaker: Joyce Loving, Manager of Special Collections

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St. L. Genealogical Society & St. L. County Library Present:

Tuesday, 17 August 2004 7:00 p.m. at Co. Library Headquarters Auditorium Using Land Records

Speaker: Ruth Ann (Abels) Hager, CGRS, CGL

For more information on these programs, go to <www.stlgs.org> or call 314-647-8547.

What We Learn from Others: The Sharing of Ideas

By Marilen Pitler

Shem Tov, JGS of Canada (Toronto), September 2003

If your research is taking you into Poland, please read the article, "Best Kept Secrets of Polish Genealogy: Books of Residents and Other Lesser-Known Sources." According to the article, when records from specific towns are missing, additional sources may provide the needed information. The article lists examples of sources and where to find them. This issue of Shem Tov may be found in the JGS library.

Canadian Immigration and U.S. Immigration Via Canada

The following links provide information on manifests, ports, dates, etc.

• The Ships List www.theshipslist.com/Research/canadarecords.htm

• By Way of Canada: U.S. Records of Immigration Across the U.S.-Canadian Border, 1895–1954

(St. Albans Lists)

www.archives.gov/publications/prologue/fall_2000_us _canada_immigration_records_1.html.

• St. Albans Lists FAQ

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~holdenclan /albans.htm

• National Archives Microfilm Publications Relating to Canadian Admissions and Border Crossings: http://archives.gov/publications/prologue/

fall_2000_us_canada_immigration_records_2.html

Kindertransport

• The Kindertransport Association www.kindertransport.org

• Association of Jewish Refugees-Kindertransport www.ajr.org.uk/kindertransport.htm

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Generations, JGS of Michigan, Fall 2003

Dictionary of Surnames

The Slownik Naszwisk (Dictionary of Surnames Currently Used in Poland) is now online. Professor Kazimierz Rymut edited the ten-volume work and, according to the article, it is the "first comprehensive compilation of surnames used by citizens of Poland. It was compiled from a 1990 database maintained by a Polish government agency, with data on about 94% of the population of Poland as of that year. It gave a total of all Poles by each name, along with a breakdown of where they lived by province." The database, written in Polish, can be found at <www.herby.com.pl/herby/indexslo.html>. A description, written by William F. "Fred" Hoffman, on how to use the database can be found at <www.jewishgen.org/jri-pl/slownik.htm>.

Additional SSDI Search Engine

Check out <www.familytreelegends.com/ssdi>. This is another online Social Security Death Index. According to the article, one of the assets of this database is the ability to "automatically generate a letter to the Social Security Administration asking for a copy of the deceased person's Form S-5, an application for a Social Security number."

(Editor's note: The cost for a copy of someone's Social Security application is currently \$27.)

Interesting Web sites

The following sites contain lists of nearly every U.S. port of entry. They also contain links to help with offline research and additional online indexes:

<www.genesearch.com/ports.html>

<http://home.att.net/~weemonster/onlinelists.html>

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Shalshelet, the JGS of Oregon, Fall 2003

Check out the following Web sites; they could provide some very helpful information:

• Obituary Central (the headquarters on the Web for **Researching Obituaries**)

<www.obitcentral.com/>

• Online Searchable Death Indexes for the USA----

a guide for genealogists and other researchers

<http://home.att.net/~wee-

monster/deathrecords.html>

A to Z Marriages—

Marriage Records: Canada, UK, USA <www.atozmarriages.com/>

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Mishpochology, JGS of Southwest Florida, December 2003

This issue of *Mishpochology* is in our Society's library and contains two interesting articles on surnames and how and when they were adopted. Please read "How Jews Got Their Names" and "The Name Adoption Lists." Some of these lists are now recorded on Web sites; check out <www.a-hb.de/AHB/links_e.htm>, a site containing some of the name adoption lists that are available.

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MASS-POCHA, the Journal of the JGS of Greater Boston, November/December 2003

Another index to databases at the Polish State Archives containing Jewish records from 75 Polish towns, can be found at:

<www.archiwa.gov.pl/sezam/index.eng.html>

How One JGS-St. Louis Member Created His Personal Family History Web Site (Conclusion) By Martin Fischer

Martin Fischer is a Chicago journalist who lives in Oak Park, Ill., with his wife and two children. He was born and grew up in St. Louis and is a member of the Jewish Genealogical Society of St. Louis. The Fischer and Levin family history site described here is his first Web site. http://mefischerl.home.comcast.net/

In conclusion, here are a few tips for genealogists who would like to create their own personal family history Web sites:

- Plan ahead. Create lists of content and rough sketches of the design for your site before you start creating the site.
- Take your time. You don't have a deadline, so prepare your site with care and deliberation.
- Don't be intimidated by the technology. Use the "help" functions provided by your software if there is something you want to do but are having trouble accomplishing. If you are using FrontPage and are continuing to have difficulties, then post a query to the user group at <www.microsoft.com/office/community/enus/default.mspx>.
- After adding a substantial element or modification to your site, don't forget to save it. And after you have saved it, upload your site so the changes become effective on the site.
- Periodically back up your work. Copy your complete Web site to a CD to insure against an unforeseen computer problem that could destroy or damage your work.
- You want your site to be seen. Contact relatives and friends and others who may be interested in it and may be able to clarify or correct your information.

Publishing a family history in a book may have the advantages of greater permanence and portability than a Web site, but it can quickly become obsolete as new marriages, births, and deaths take place and as the author makes new genealogical discoveries. A Web site's advantage is its flexibility and expandability. A site can be quickly and easily updated and revised as new family history information becomes available and as more articles are written and more photos taken.

Each family history is different, and each family history Web site is unique. I hope this summary of my experiences in creating the Fischer and Levin family history site may inspire other amateur genealogists to take the steps necessary to create their own sites. Good luck, and enjoy your Web site.

St. Louis Public Library To Celebrate Jewish Author, Isaac Bashevis Singer

This year marks the centennial of the birth of noted Jewish author, Isaac Bashevis Singer. Winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1978, Singer brought to life the stories of the Eastern European shtetls and the people who lived there. The library will host three programs in Singer's honor:

Tuesday, 13 July

7:00 p.m. Singer in Synopsis

Dr. Nancy Berg, professor of Hebrew language and literature at Washington University will present a lecture on Singer's life and works.

Thursday, 15 July 6:00 p.m.

Singer in Cinema

The film, *Enemies: A Love Story*, will be shown, followed by a discussion of Singer's book of the same name.

Saturday, 17 July 2:00 p.m. Singer on Stage

Louise Hung, a graduate student in theatre at St. Louis University, will lead actors in readings of several of Singer's short stories.

All programs will be held at the Schlafly Branch of the St. Louis Public Library. This newest of the city's libraries is located at 225 N. Euclid (corner of Euclid and Lindell in the Central West End). There is ample parking right next door. For more information, call 314-367-4120.

Members' Corner

Our Best Wishes To. . .

Co-secretary, Sheldon Rudnick, and Shirley Finger's husband, Norman, both of whom are recovering from surgery.

Condolences To. . .

Kay Schechter on the loss of her father. Joanne Schuver on the loss of her mother, Edith Kalish.

Welcome to Our New Members!

Rachel and Brent Kornblum Lucy S. Levy Charles Russell Adrienne and Al Sher Sallie and Ram Volotzky Aleene Schneider Zawada

Inquiries

I am a RASHKES (RASKAS) descendent, traced back to Rachel, born 1805, Kovna (Kaunas). In my family there is a memory of a Shabtai Rashkes, who was Rachel's descendent, living in St Louis. I'm looking for his relatives. Anat Rosen

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Am seeking information about my great, great-uncle Leopold SILBERBERG and his family. He was probably born late 1840s-early 1850s. He was in Texas with other brothers but we believe he moved to St. Louis before 1900 and had a family. My father, as a boy in the early 1930s, remembers visiting adult relatives named Daisy, Max, and Aileen. They would have been his father's first cousins. We know Julius was with Radio City Music Hall as Jules SILVER (married to Roxanne) in the 1930s. Thanks so much! Celia Silberberg 4804 Rutherglenn Dr. Austin. TN 78749 csilberberg@secondharvest.org

I am seeking information about Henry WALDSTEIN, who is listed as being buried in United Hebrew Cemetery. Also need information on other Waldsteins. We are trying to verify which are our Jewish ancestors. Marjorie Short 276 Wellman Ave. N. Chelmsford, MA 01863 giltrip202@aol.com

My late father, Israel GROSS, told me that his aunt, Ora Gross, lived in St. Louis, Missouri. She sent him a bar mitzvah present in 1920. But I do not know her married surname. That makes it difficult to search for her or her descendants. Her brother, my paternal grandfather. was Arnold GROSS (1874–1937), from Salantai, Lithuania. He had two sisters, the above named Ora (Sora?) and Mary (Mera). Arnold went to South Africa in 1900, married and had a family. His son was Israel, my father. Mary married Gamsu, went to South Africa and died in 1956. Anything you can uncover will be gratefully received. Errol Gross 23 Larkfield Close; Greenmount

Bury; Lancs. BL8 4QJ England gross@zen.co.uk



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