



Family Gatherings

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Sunday October 24 1PM Alvin Sherman Library of NSU
Publishing Your Family History
Judy and Bruce Borich – Middle River Press

Sunday November 21 1PM Alvin Sherman Library of NSU
Genealogy Workshop
Computer Room at Alvin Sherman Library

President's Message Brenda Feuer

We had a very nice turnout at our September meeting. Bob Koltnow and Joyce Ben-Ezra gave very nice presentations about their trip to the IAJGS Conference in Los Angeles this past summer. The film scheduled was not shown since unfortunately technology stood in our way. But Rhoda Horwitz came to the rescue by taking all those who had not seen our library on a tour. Rhoda also set up a very nice fruit, cake and coffee table.

Our October meeting is at Nova's Alvin Sherman Library on Sunday the 24th. Our speakers will be about publishing your family history. In addition to the speakers Bob Koltnow who has published 3 books already will bring his books and talk about his experience.

The November meeting will be a workshop held in a computer room at Nova's Library on Sunday Nov. 21. Beginners make sure not to miss this meeting. Intermediate and advanced researchers will also benefit.

Why do we have people who are new members or guests introduce themselves and mention the surnames that they are researching? Introducing themselves – Obviously so that we know who is new and what their names are. Listing surnames – that is in case someone in the audience is researching the same name and then they can collaborate.

If you have documents, birth, death, or marriage certificates, census etc. and you have not looked at them in along while, look at them again. You will be surprised at what you did not notice the first time you looked at them. I knew what town I lived in when I was born,

but I did not know the address. There seemed to be no one left that I could ask. While going through my collection of birth certificates, I glanced at my own. There it was in plain sight the address when I was born.



Program Notes

Marty Shames

Ah, technology! Due to a technical glitch, we were unable to show the movie, "Paint What You Remember" at our September meeting. As often happens, that turned out to be a blessing in disguise, as we had one of our best discussions ever. We were also able to give people tours of our library. Hopefully everyone learned a little something that day.

This month, Judy and Bruce Borich of the Middle River Press will give a talk on Writing and Publishing your Family History. Judy and her husband Bruce gave a similar talk several years ago, which was a big success. Bob Koltnow has written several books

about his family, published by the Middle River Press, and he will also be discussing his experience in that endeavor.

In November, we will be having another of our highly popular mini-workshops, and in December, at our Annual Anniversary Luncheon, we will have a presentation by Steve Luxenberg, who is an associate editor at the Washington Post, and gave a very well-received talk at the recent IAJGS meeting.

More details about these meetings will follow in upcoming editions of this newsletter, or you can always check on our website, www.jgsbc.org

Lastly, we are always looking for good speakers and presentations. If you know of anyone who gives a good presentation, perhaps someone you've heard speak before, please let us know. Sometimes our own members give the best talks, so if you have knowledge about some aspect of genealogy that you'd like to share with the group, we would love to hear from you. Or, if you'd just like to help out on the Program committee, let us know that as well. Just email Marty Shames at

program@jgsbc.org

Membership

Ellen Sobo and Nancy Wyman

Greetings from the Membership Committee. We are so pleased to announce that we had a very large turnout for our September meeting at the Soref, and our membership numbers continue to increase.

We had several new people pay and become official members at that meeting. Please make a New Year's resolution to come and learn with us as we pursue our collective interest in genealogy. Along those lines, we would like to mention that we are in need of mentors to assist those who are starting out on their own personal genealogy journey.

It seems that we have more requests for mentors than we have mentors available to help out. If you feel that you would be interested in being a mentor, please let

one of us know at the next meeting.

And now, we would like to make a FRIENDLY REMINDER that dues are due now, and must be paid by December 31, 2010 for the 2011 membership year. Your membership support is very important to your society and its projects and programs. So be a mensch and pay your dues early! We will be happy to take your check at the next meeting or you can mail it to our PO Box. The dues are \$25.00.

Thank you!!!

We look forward to greeting you at our next meeting.

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Library News

Rhoda Horwitz

Here's some good news for our members. Thanks to the generosity of our members who have donated their copies of Avotaynu, we have enough copies to allow our members to check out up to 5 copies on a monthly basis. I will bring the copies that you request to the meetings, where you can sign out for them. Then you can return them to the library or the next meeting. As you know, or may not know, each copy of Avotaynu is filled with interesting and informative stories of personal and investigative nature. Avotaynu has published this monthly magazine since the mid eighties, and a yearly subscription costs \$38. Your organization has all of the issues and most of the issues, which have been donated by generous members. If you wanted a complete set on a CD, it would cost you \$99. This is another advantage of belonging to our genealogical society. It would be too lengthy to try to list the entire list of topics covered in all the issues, so I am going to direct you to the following Avotaynu site where you can click on a particular topic, and it will tell you what the story is about, and what volume it is in. Write the information down and tell me, and I will make sure that you will be able to receive it at our next meeting or at our library. Index to the First Twenty-four Volumes of AVOTAYNUAVOTAYNU maintains an index to selected articles that have appeared in the first eighteen volumes (1985–2008) of the publication. Only shown are major articles and some excerpts from the sections "From Our Contributing Editors" and "From Our Mailbox." Not shown is the "U.S. Update" column, which is a digest of articles that appeared in publications of the Jewish genealogical societies and special interest groups. The articles in Volume III, Number 4 and many in Volumes IV-XXIV, Number 4, were human interest features and, therefore, are not part of the index. Each entry is the title of the article followed by the volume/number/page. Back issues can be purchased for \$10 each (\$12 outside North America) from Avotaynu, Inc., 155 N. Washington Ave, Bergenfield, NJ 07621. Note: Most earlier back issues

are available in photocopy version only. All back issues from 1985–2008 are available on CD-ROM for \$99.95 plus shipping. An annual subscription to Avotaynu is \$38.00. Subscribe now! **Volume/Year:** I/1985, II/1986, III/1987, IV/1988, V/1989, VI/1990, VII/1991, VIII/1992, IX/1993, X/1994, XI/1995, XII/1996, XIII/1997, XIV/1998, XV/1999, XVI/2000, XVII/2001, XVIII/2002, XIX/2003, XX/2004, XXI/2005, XXII/2006, XXIII/2007, XXIV/2008. **Topics:** Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Austro-Hungary, Belarus (also see USSR), Belgium, Burma, Book Reviews, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burma Canada, Canary Islands, Caribbean, China, Computers, Conferences, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic (also see Slovakia), Denmark, DNA East Europe--General, Egypt, England, Estonia (see also USSR), Ethiopia, Europe--General, Finland, France, Galicia, General, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Holland, Holocaust, Hungary, India, Internet, Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Latvia (see also USSR), LDS (Mormon) Family History Library, Libya, Lithuania (see also USSR) Methodology, Moldova, Morocco, The Netherlands (see Holland), New Zealand, North Africa (see also Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia) Poland, Portugal, Rabbinitic, Romania, Russia (also see Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine, USSR) Scotland, Seminars, Sephardic, Serbia, Slovakia (also see Czech Republic), Slovenia, South Africa, South America, Spain, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine (see also USSR) United Kingdom (see England and Scotland), United States, USSR (see also Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine), Venezuela, Zimbabwe Avotaynu.com

I hope that you're pleased with this new improvement.

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Speakers Bureau

Bob Koltnow

There will be many presentations scheduled over the next few months, which should give our JGS Society some additional exposure in the area. If any of our members would like to join the Speaker's Bureau, please feel free to give me a call. Let me know what topic you prefer, and if you would to join me in any of the following presentations.

Monday, Nov. 1, 2010 at 1:30 P.M. National Council of Jewish Women, Wyndmoor, Coconut Creek

Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2010 at 12:00 P.M. Hadassah, Tower Club, Downtown Ft. Lauderdale

Sunday, November 7, 2010 at 2:30 P.M. Men's Club, Temple Kol Ami

Thursday, Nov. 18, 2010 at 1:00 P. M. Plantation Newcomer's Club, Deicke Auditorium, Plantation

Monday, Jan. 10, 2011 at 10:30 A. M. Brandeis, South Miami-Dade

Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. Hadassah, Central Broward

If you know of an organization, temple or school that would like a genealogical presentation, kindly let me know or have them contact me.

Bob Koltnow Tel. 954-581-5252 email: bobkolt@aol.com

Nu? What's New? (excerpted)

The E-zine of Jewish Genealogy From Avotaynu
Gary Mokotoff, Editor

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ITS Distributes Children's Tracing Branch Data

The International Tracing Service (ITS) of Bad Arolsen has forwarded copies from its inventory to five partner organizations in Belgium, Israel, Luxembourg, Poland and the U.S. The data consists of documents from the children's tracing branch—some 2.3 million images—as well as files on Nazi persecution which do not reference specific individual fates. These files include, for example, documents involving concentration camp logistics, medical experiments, the 'Lebensborn' association and trials from the post-war era.

The documents from the children's tracing branch pertain to non-German children who had been reported missing. The files also document the search for the family members of children and adolescents who survived forced labor, abductions or concentration camps who were under the age of 18 when they were found alone at the end of WWII.

The recipients include Yad Vashem in Jerusalem, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, DC, the National Institute for Remembrance in Warsaw, the Centre for Documentation and Research on Resistance in Luxembourg and the Belgian State Archives in Brussels.

To date, about 87 million images have been given to the different institutions, including documents on concentration camps, ghettos and prisons (ca. 18 million images), the ITS Central Name Index (ca. 42 million images), registration cards of displaced persons (ca. 7 million images), documents concerning forced labor (ca. 13 million images), files from DP camps and emigration after World War II (ca. 5 million images), as well as general documents and the inventory from the children's tracing branch (ca. 2 million images to date). ITS's three million correspondence files between survivors or family members and the authorities still need to be transferred, but their digitization will still take some years to complete.

Deathindexes.com

Dick Eastman's [daily e-zine](http://www.deathindexes.com) notes a very useful Internet site that identifies all online death indexes in the U.S. It is located at <http://www.deathindexes.com>. Included are death records, death certificate indexes, death notices and registers, obituaries, probate indexes, and cemetery and burial records.

Does Your Ancestral Town Have a Shtetl/KahaLinks Page?

A valuable resource for Jewish genealogical research are the hundreds of websites on JewishGen devoted to specific ancestral towns. Called ShtetLinks or KahaLinks, they provide valuable information about the Jewish presence in the town and/or links to other sites that have useful information. Martin Davis of London has just added a very attractive one for Kamyansky-Podilsky (Kamenets-Podolsk), a major city in Ukraine.

A complete list of towns, organized by country, can be found at <http://www.shtetlinks.jewishgen.org/>. If your town is not listed, consider developing a site yourself. JewishGen will provide assistance if you can provide the text but do not have the skills to develop a website. For additional help, write the site's coordinator at shtetl-help@jewishgen.org.

News from the SIGs

SIGs are Special Interest Groups primarily focusing on geographic areas of ancestry. You can subscribe to their Discussion Groups at <http://lyris.jewishgen.org/ListManager>. A login is required. You can link to the SIG home pages from <http://www.jewishgen.org/JewishGen/sigs.htm>. There are also more than 80 Jewish Genealogical Societies throughout the world. A list of societies can be found at <http://www.iajgs.org/members/members.html>.

Hungarian SIG. Hungary is reevaluating its privacy/record access laws regarding birth, marriage and death records. The change may require 90 years to pass before the release of records. This law becomes effective January 1, 2011.

FamilySearch.org, the record acquisition arm of the Mormon Church, is no longer delivering images to the Internet from Hungarian archives beyond 1920. The law appears to be vague and subject to interpretation. For example, there is evidence the rule will be more lenient if the purpose of the record acquisition is historical research (is family history research historical research?). On the negative side, if a person dies in 1960 at age 60 and a marginal notation is made to his birth record noting the death, does that mean the birth record is not in the public domain because 90 years has not passed since the entry of the death data on the birth document.

Latvia SIG. An Internet site, <http://www.periodicals.lv>, has digitized and full-word indexed 41 Latvian newspapers for years ranging from 1895–1957. The site displays the actual news article with the search words highlighted.

Ukraine SIG. The Bessarabia Revision List project now includes 9,342 records from 1,229 families. Records are from Beltsy, Romanovka (Bendery district), Kishinev, Akkerman, and the agricultural colony of Alexandreny (Yassy, Beltsy district). It is estimated that all revision lists contain about 120,000 entries. Volunteers are needed who can read Russian and use Excel. The database can be found at <http://www.jewishgen.org/databases/Romania/BessarabiaRevisionLists.htm>.

Ancestry Acquires Parent Company of Footnote.com

The big fish is starting to swallow the minnows. Ancestry.com is in the process of acquiring archives, the parent company of Footnote.com. Footnote.com focuses on providing original documents pertaining to American history. Its primary source is the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

Plans call for the Footnote operation to continue to act independent of Ancestry. It will still be necessary to have separate subscriptions to the two fee-for-service sites. One possible benefit to family historians may be that Footnote will now have the financial backing to accelerate their record acquisition program.

Museum of the Riga Ghetto Opens

A Riga Ghetto Museum opened on September 21 in the city of Riga, Latvia. The site <http://shamir.lv> states that during the Holocaust more than 70,000 Latvian Jews and about 20,000 Jews deported to Riga were murdered. The museum has also opened a photo exhibition dedicated to anti-Semitism propaganda, the Holocaust in Latvia, and the Resistance and the Righteous Among the Nations. The Shamir site has much information about Latvian Jewry. There is a database of names of Jewish children who perished in the Holocaust in Latvia at <http://www.rgm.lv/db/>. They publish an annual Jewish calendar dedicated to the history of Jewish development during Latvia's First Republic. Information can be found at http://shamir.lv/en/item/117-jewish_calendar_5771.html. The site can be viewed in English, Hebrew, Latvian or Russian.

Ukraine Archives to Place Looted Property Documents Online

The State Committee on Archives of Ukraine located in Kyiv plans to place online German records of art, archives, books and other cultural valuables stolen in Nazi-occupied countries during the Second World War. These are records of the Einsatzstab Reichsleiter Rosenberg (ERR), one of the main agencies responsible for looting cultural valuables. The records of the ERR were scattered after the war and are now to be found in 29 repositories in nine countries. The collection of ERR records held by Ukraine, seized by Soviet forces at the end of the war, is the largest in the world. During the Soviet era they were classified as secret. Additional information can be found at http://www.kyivpost.com/news/opinion/op_ed/detail/81263/#ixzz10kctV9Cc.

News from Ancestry.com

Family Tree Maker 2011. Ancestry.com has announced the availability of Family Tree Maker 2011. FTM is the #1 selling genealogy software system. With the announcement, the company stated the newest version is bigger, better, prettier, etc. Information about the enhancements can be found at <http://www.familytreemaker.com/Pages/Overview/Overview.aspx>.

England and Wales National Probate Calendar, 1861–1941, reveals the value of more than 6 million estates, including some left by famous people. It is located at <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=1904>.

Avotaynu on Facebook

We caved in. Avotaynu is now on Facebook. Search for the name “Avotaynu,” go to the site and become a Fan. In the photo gallery is a presentation of the front covers of 30 of our books. It makes a pretty display.

You can now follow the
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Facebook

Keep up with our events, post photos and comments, start or join discussions— it's a great way to keep in touch and informed

To find us, just create a Facebook account, then look for the Jewish Genealogical Society of Broward County, Inc.

Tidbytes Bernie Kouchel

KHAZAR MYTH DEBUNKED

Author Arthur Koestler, in *The Thirteenth Tribe* (1976), advanced the controversial theory that modern day "Jews" are not in fact physically descended from Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, but are instead descended from the KHAZARS, supposedly a Turkish, non-Semitic race. Koestler argued that by proving Ashkenazi Jews to have no connection with biblical Jews, European anti-Semitism would have no cause.

The book and its theory was well received by The Christian Identity movement and British Israelism, who taught that Western Europeans, especially the British, were the spiritual and literal descendants of the ten lost tribes of Israel – they, not the Jews, were God's true chosen people. White supremacists and Neo Nazis also hold this view. This claim is typically offered as a reason why Jews currently inhabiting the state of Israel have no legitimate ancestral claim to the land. Read more: Debunking the 'Khazarian Jew' Myth.

<http://www.abovetopsecret.com/forum/thread423972/pg1>

New For Mac Users: 'Family TreeMaker for Mac' – Pre-Sale. 20% off.

Genealogy's Often-Misspelled Words;
 ***Genealogy**, not geneology;
 *Cemetery (all e's), not cematerly;
 *Ancestor, not ancester;
 *Descendant, not decendent;
 *Interment (burial), not internment;

[Source: Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter]

New York City Building Photos: Between 1939 and 1941, and again in the mid-1980s, the city photographed every house and building in the five boroughs. Photographic prints of these unique images are available for purchase. Read more: <http://home2.nyc.gov/html/records/html/taxphotos/home.shtml>

If you have a Florida connection, preserve your family data with the easy online entry form found at the "Jewish Museum of Florida Database Entry – Florida Jewish Family". Visitors to the Museum will then have the ability to search for your input.

http://www.jewishmuseum.com/new_search.htm

Tracing Your Jewish Ancestors: Finding Records. The steps and tools you need are detailed inside this FamilySearch 30 page guide. Download at <http://tinyurl.com/2vghfe> Family Tree of the Jewish People (FTJP): JewishGen's FTJP is a project to centralize the collection of Jewish family trees, to preserve records, to provide a powerful resource to connect individuals researching the same Jewish family branches, and to re-connect their families. Those interested in donating their family records can submit their GEDCOM file. To search or submit data see: <http://www.jewishgen.org/gedcom/>

Excerpts from IAJGS Digest

The following question was asked at the "Meet the Archivist" meeting during the National Genealogical Society conference last May. "Despite the fact that the last World War I veteran died several years ago, the entire class of service and pension records from that conflict still requires paperwork and signatures of spouses or children before they can be accessed. Why is this and what can you do to change it?"

Please see the following responses below:

Susan Nash, Archives Specialist with the Archival Programs Division at the National Personnel Records Center (Military Personnel Records), stated: "Any military personnel service record that is 62 years old or older since the veteran was discharged, died in service or retired is an archival public record and does not require any kind of authorization from the next of kin nor proof of death." The following has permission to be posted by the National Archives (in fact they suggest this should be posted to a website or blog for edification of the genealogical community).

Please Note: records have been available for several years and have been added to, but due to a freeze on website updates at the St. Louis National Personnel Records Center they have not been able to provide the information on availability to the public.

Maureen McDonald the Archivist of the United States: World War I official military personnel files (OMPFs) were opened in November 2007. Researchers can receive a complete copy of the file for a fee.

Records opened include:

- U.S. Navy Enlisted OMPFs with discharge dates beginning in 1885 through 1947;
 - U.S. Navy Officer OMPFs with discharge dates beginning in 1902 through 1947;
 - U.S. Marine Corps Enlisted OMPFs with discharge dates beginning in 1906 through 1947;
 - U.S. Marine Corps Officer OMPFs with discharge dates beginning in 1905 through 1947;
 - U.S. Army OMPFs with discharge dates beginning in 1912 through 1947; and U.S. Coast Guard OMPFs with discharge dates beginning in 1898 through 1947;
- Additional military personnel records will be made available to the public each year, for individuals who served in the U.S. Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard who have been discharged, deceased, or re-

tired for at least 62 years. For example, records for veterans who were discharged, deceased, or retired in 1948 will be opened 62 years to the day in 2010.

Researchers can access these records by:
1. Visiting the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC), Archival Research Center, in St. Louis, MO
2. Requesting copies of the records (for a copy fee) via mail, fax, or online. NPRC encourages interested individuals to submit requests via www.vetrecs.archives.gov or on a Standard Form 180, available at www.archives.gov/research/order/standard-form-180.pdf.

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The (US) Library of Congress has posted on Flickr a number of incredible photographs http://www.flickr.com/photos/library_of_congress/ If you type in the search box Jewish Photographs they have 989 under Yiddish Photographs ; 4,800+ photographs of Jewish People and History-ancient and modern
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The National Archives and Records Administration (USA) has posted a notice about relocating the Alien files [case files on alien residents of the UN born 1909 and prior] to the Kansas City regional National Archives. The files were previously kept by the US Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) the successor agency to the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS). A-Files are eligible for transfer to the National Archives when 100 years have passed since the birth date of the subject of a file. To read more on the files go to: <http://www.archives.gov/press/press-releases/2010/nr10-137b.html>



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- Interesting and informative monthly meetings
- Monthly newsletter with informative articles and news of Jewish genealogical events
- Access to JGSBC's extensive collection of research books & materials
- Opportunity to network with others interested in Jewish genealogy
- Guidance from local experts to help you with your research
- Information exchange with others who are researching families from the same towns as your ancestors.

And this is just the beginning. There are many more. To join JGSBC, use the form at the back of this newsletter, or visit our website at www.jgsbc.org and click on Membership in the navigation bar.

**If you'd like to come to our meetings, but are unable to because of
TRANSPORTATION ISSUES, please let us know, because there are
RIDES AVAILABLE!**

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JGSBC Program Calendar

www.jgsbc.org/helios/events

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Publishing Your Family History
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 (see attached flyer)

Sunday November 21 1PM Alvin Sherman Library of NSU
Genealogy Workshop

Sunday, December 12, 12 noon, The Club at Emerald Hills, Hollywood
Annual Anniversary Luncheon with special guest speaker, Steve Luxenberg
 (see attached flyer)

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Broward County usually meets on either the last Sunday or Wednesday of the month. Please check the **JGSBC Program Calendar** above or our **Community Events Calendar** located at www.jgsbc.org/helios/events for the exact times and locations.

The first 20-30 minutes of our meetings are devoted to **Brick Walls and Breakthroughs**, where members share their successes or ask for help with their difficult genealogical problems. Anyone interested in genealogy is welcome to participate in our programs.



The JGS of Broward County is an integral part of a global network of 75+ societies, all members of IAJGS, with 10,000+ individual members who are actively researching their Jewish roots.

Do you have a brick wall you've finally succeeded in breaking down? We'd love to hear about it.

Contact the Family Gatherings editor at newsletter@jgsbc.org. We look forward to reading your story in a future newsletter.

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No books? Make a donation to the JGSBC Library Fund. Contact Rhoda Horwitz at library@jgsbc.org.

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Presents

"How to Write Your Family History"

Guest Speakers: Judy & Bruce Borich, Founders, Middle River Press



Judy Borich

**Sunday, October 24, 2010, 1:00 p.m.
Alvin Sherman Library of NSU
3100 Ray Ferrero, Jr. Boulevard, Davie, Florida**

Judy Borich graduated from the University of North Florida, with a major in art and a minor in photography. When an internship at the Jacksonville Times Union became available, she jumped at the chance, got her first picture published and worked as a staff photographer at the Bradenton Herald, The Orlando Sentinel, and the Ft Lauderdale Sun Sentinel. In 2003, she resigned from the Tribune Company after a 20-year career to re-connect with her first love: telling stories and taking pictures. Having lived in Florida all of her professional career, she now combines her love for family history, stories, photographs and Florida, and her passion for books, as a publisher for Middle River Press, a company which she founded with her husband Bruce Borich.

Bruce Borich has been involved in publishing his entire adult life. Starting as a photojournalist, he worked for several Florida newspapers, then returned to his first love, graphic design, as Art Director for Orlando Magazine. Expanding his publishing to book production, he has worked for several book and magazine publishers as Production Manager and Design Director. Now he is combining his love of storytelling and book publishing by starting Middle River Press, to help people tell their stories in high-quality books.

Bob Koltnow, JGSBC member, will discuss his collaboration with Middle River Press to publish two family history books, one incorporating his father's early life in Russia and the U.S. and a biography of his brother's life, who was a member of "the greatest generation." Bob is currently working on a full family history covering 200 years.

***Admission is free for all wishing to attend.
Seating is limited, so please register in advance at:
<http://sherman.library.nova.edu/helios/events/>.***

Directions: From University Drive north or south, travel east on SW 30th Street. Turn right at Ray Ferrero Jr. Boulevard. Turn right into the Parking Garage. Cost for parking is \$1 per hour.

For more information: info@jgsbc.org website: www.jgsbc.org Phone: 954-243-6063



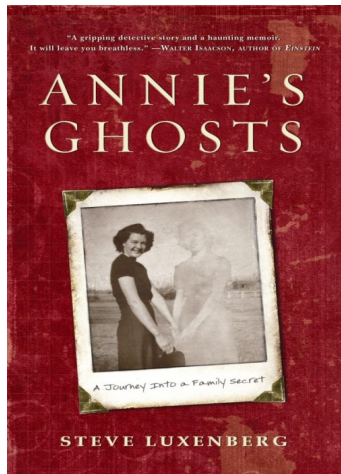
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Cordially Invites You to Our

Annual Anniversary Luncheon

Sunday, December 12, 2010, 12 noon

The Club at Emerald Hills, 4100 North Hills Drive, Hollywood



(photo courtesy of the Washington Post)

With our special guest speaker, **Steve Luxenberg**, a Washington Post Editor. Steve's award-winning nonfiction book, *Annie's Ghosts: A Journey Into a Family Secret*—part detective story, part social history, part memoir—revolves around his mother's decision to hide the existence of a sister, Annie, who was institutionalized for 31 years in a Michigan asylum.

The meal will be a buffet, with a variety of salads, breads, spreads, cold cuts, an omelet station, a carving station, and desserts. We will be in a private room for this event.

COST: \$25 PER PERSON

For further information, visit our website, www.jgsbc.org or email: info@jgsbc.org

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Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$_____ for _____ reservations



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Membership Category (please check one)	Dues	Notes
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$ 25	To help save postage, we
<input type="checkbox"/> Each additional member (same address)	\$ 5	distribute our newsletter via
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<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	\$ 100	it mailed, please check here. <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Student (full-time, under age 25)	\$ 15	
<input type="checkbox"/> Life (individual)	\$ 250	Foreign addresses, please add \$5
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I am also enclosing an additional contribution of \$ _____ to help further the development of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Broward County, Inc.

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How would you rate your genealogy skills? None Beginner Intermediate Advanced Professional

I am interested in the following activities:		
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Do you read any foreign languages? Yes _____ No