



# GENERATIONS

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## IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE:

### June Event

*"Challenging  
Genealogical Myths"*  
All-Day Seminar

**Sunday, June 8**  
**8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**Event Held At:**  
United Hebrew  
Congregation  
13788 Conway Road

### June Discussion Group

Questions/Answers  
Bring problems;  
Discuss possible solutions.

**Thursday, June 26**

**Meeting Held At:**  
Room 15, United Hebrew  
1:30 p.m.

### July Meeting

*"History of Jewish Hospital"*  
Burton Boxerman, Speaker

**Thursday, July 17**  
**7:30 p.m.**

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

### July Discussion Group

Questions, Answers, Etc.  
**Thursday, July 24**

**Meeting Held At:**  
Room 15, United Hebrew  
1:30 p.m.

## Remember the Special June Event!

"Challenging  
Genealogical Myths"  
An All-Day Seminar

**Sunday, 8 June 2003**

Featuring  
Warren Blatt

Additional Lectures by  
Ann Carter Fleming  
Ed and Ilene Murray

Alan Rogg  
Ted Steele  
Sally Tofle

**Kosher Lunch Included**  
**(for pre-registered attendees)!**  
**Vendors! Handouts!**  
**Networking Opportunities!**  
**We hope to see you there!**

## And Looking Forward to August...

**Thurs., Aug. 21**

Guest Speaker:  
Patricia Walls Stamm

**"What the Census Can Tell  
You About Your Family!"**

When we begin to research our family, one of the first records we use is the federal census. We look at it once and then move on. This session will teach us the value of looking at censuses from different angles, time and time again.

Patricia Walls Stamm, CGRS, is a researcher, lecturer, and instructor teaching at St. Louis Community College. She is a current board member

## July Meeting

Guest Speaker:  
Burton Boxerman

**"History of Jewish Hospital"**

One of the most popular speakers for the Jewish Genealogical Society has been our own Burton Boxerman. And he is returning to speak on another topic: the Origins of Jewish Hospital. The talk will take the hospital from its early roots (c. 1902) up to approximately 1930. Burton will discuss the early advocates of a Jewish hospital, the problems associated with such a hospital, and the decision to move to Kingshighway from the original Delmar location.

Burton is a retired high school history teacher who has written and spoken extensively on local Jewish history. He now does freelance writing and research. This fall a book he and his wife wrote about baseball will be published. Bring family and friends and be prepared for an absorbing evening.

**Sorry...**

**No Generations in July!**  
**Please note that this is a  
combined June/July  
issue. Look for your  
next *Generations* during  
the first week of August.**  
**Enjoy your summer!**

of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG), has served as APG advertising manager, vice-president of St. Louis Genealogical Society, and 1999 Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) Program Co-chair.

# President's Message

## May Meeting

We extend our appreciation to Cynthia Millar, genealogy librarian at the St. Louis Public Library, and to Dennis Northcott, archivist at the Missouri Historical Society Library, who participated in our recent program, "Ask the Panel." Cynthia and Dennis were well prepared to help the audience with genealogical questions. Each of their libraries has a unique collection, and we hope JGS members will visit both while conducting research.

## This Old House

Recently I had the opportunity to revisit the house I lived in until I was eleven years old. What an experience! The woman who now owns and lives in that house was kind enough to invite me in. She took me from room to room and explained what renovations she had made, and in turn I explained how I remembered the various areas. I can't begin to describe the emotions I felt as I relived some of the memories of my early years. It may be true that "You can't go home again," but if you ever have the opportunity to make a visit to a place you loved, do so.

## May Discussion Group

This month our Discussion Group was led on a guided tour of St. Louis City Hall. We sincerely thank Marie, genealogist and assistant to Sharon Carpenter in the Recorder of Deeds office, who was our very knowledgeable guide. She showed us the vital records areas where we were able to conduct some research. Our discussion group has seen a significant growth in attendance as we learn how to deal with problems, questions, and brick walls. With guidance from mentors, we are discovering new possibilities and solutions. Please join us, if you can!

## Special Projects

Our special projects continue to progress. Cemetery indexing has concentrated on the United Hebrew, Chesed Shel Emeth (Olive & Hanley), Beth Hamedrosh Hagodol, New Mt. Sinai, and the old and new B'Nai Amoona cemeteries. We now have an index containing over 22,000 names available for searching on our web site. The funeral home index contains over 9,000 names. Our work at Rindskopf-Roth is complete, and volunteers are now working on the records of Berger Memorial. The surname project can be accessed on our web site, and the marriage indexers are also gathering information. A request form is provided through our web site for those individuals seeking genealogical research assistance in the St. Louis area.

## St. Louis County Library

JGS of St. Louis continues to support and contribute to the St. Louis County Library's Special Collections department. Under the direction of Joyce Loving, the department has improved its collection and understanding of Jewish genealogical resources. We thank Joyce and her staff for their assistance and cooperation and look forward to our continued collaboration.

## Upcoming Conferences

Sylvia and Art Jaffe have agreed to represent JGS of St. Louis as delegates to the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies Conference to be held this summer in Washington, D.C. We thank them and look forward to their report. Anyone interested in attending the conference may contact me for further information.

The Federation of Genealogical Societies, of which JGS is a member, is holding its annual convention in Orlando, Florida, in early September. Ed and Ilene Murray will be attending as delegates representing JGS of St. Louis. Anyone else interested in attending may contact me for further information.

I hope to see many of you at the June 8th Seminar and at the July and August meetings.

*Cassie Weinberg Buerki*

President, JGS of St. Louis

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## Genealogy Events of Interest: June/July 2003

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

Tuesday, 10 June 2003

7:00 p.m. at Co. Library Headquarters Auditorium

"New Dimensions of Research: Preservation and Access Initiatives of the Missouri State Archives"

Speaker: Mike Everman, CA, Project Archivist,

St. Louis Circuit Court Historical Records Project

Learn about new and long-hidden old sources, such as circuit court case files, record books, naturalization books and indexes, coming to light through the projects of the Mo. State Archives.

Tuesday, 8 July 2003

7:00 p.m. at Co. Library Headquarters Auditorium

"Southern Claims Commission 101: A Basic Introduction"

Speaker: Ruth Ann Abels Hager, CGRS, CGL

In the early 1870s, Southerners filed over 22,000 claims for losses suffered during the Civil War. Was your ancestor a claimant, or one of the more than 220,000

witnesses who provided testimony for or against a claim?

If you have Civil War era Southern ancestors, you will want to know how to use these potentially valuable records.

For more information on either program, go to <[www.stlgs.org](http://www.stlgs.org)> or call 314-647-8547.

# What's In A Name?

## Names With Multiple Meanings and Others

By Chuck Jackson

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Some names may have multiple meanings. Which meaning applies to the surname you are tracing is probably an unknown. Perhaps, while digging deep in the dusty files you may find the real meaning of the surname. Again, a reminder: search via the sound of the name, not the spelling. Also, keep in mind the various nationalities which have had an effect on the name. A famous one is the city in Lithuania - Vilna. "Vilna" is the Yiddish name for the city. "Vilnius" is the Lithuanian name for the city. "Wilno" is the Polish name for the city. Another example which recently was found on an Internet chat site was a query as to the name "Tewja." It was explained that a "w" is pronounced as a "v" and a "j" is pronounced as a "y." Now we have "Tevya," a name made famous by the character in *Fiddler on the Roof*.

Some other 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."

- BETTSACK** May be a garbled version of Pesach. May also be the acronym for "ben t̄ehorim z̄era k̄edoshin" (a son of pure lineage, a descendent of martyrs). And, finally, it may represent the German word for mattress indicating a dealer in or maker of mattresses.
- BLEICH** Bleich means "pale" in German which indicates a person with a pale complexion. May also refer to a person who is a bleacher of textiles.
- BLEIWEISS** Means "white lead" in German, an ingredient used in paint and plaster, and refers to a seller of these items. May also refer to a person with a very white complexion.
- BLUM** Although some Blums come from the Frankfurt house sign depicting a flower (Blume), most Blums derived their name from the feminine name of Bluma. Another source is a garbled version of the Spanish "Paloma" (dove). Incidentally, there is no documentation of any kind attributing the name to the many German communities known as Blumberg. It was fashionable to extend names (make them longer) when last names became mandatory. Hence, the variations which include, but are not limited to, Blumenberg, Blumenfeld, Blumengarten, Blumenheim, Blumenkrantz, Blumenkrohn, Blumenreich, Blumenstein, Blumentstock, Blumenthal, Blumkin, Blumfeld, Bloomfield, etc. Also appears as Bloom.
- BOGATCH** From the Polish word for "rich."
- BOGATI** From the Russian word for "rich."
- BORODATY** From the Russian word for "bearded" and was conferred by officials on many Jews since all eastern European Jews wore beards. The name was widespread because of this.
- BREINDEL** From a family matriarch named Breine or Breindel. Also appears as Braunfeld, Braunschuld, Braunspan, Braunstein, Braunthal, Brandelstein, Bronstein.
- BUKSZPAN** From the Polish word for "box tree." Boxwood is an excellent wood for carving and woodworking and a worker with boxwood assumed this name. Also see Buxbaum.
- BUXBAUM** German Jews selected this name either from the No. 169 house sign in Frankfurt or from the fact that box trees grew in the vicinity. Galician Jews who worked with boxwood selected this name. Also appears as Buchsbaum. See Bukszpan.
- CALISCH** From Kalisz, a town in Poland, or from "kalich" which is Yiddish for lime; a dealer in lime. Also appears as Kalisch.
- CASUTO** From the Italian word for family, "casato." A very distinguished Italian family adopted this name. Also appears as Casato.
- CHANKIN** From the matriarchal name Chana (Hana) with the Russian suffix of -kin (indicating descent) appended. Also appears as Chanen, Chanin, Hankin, Henkin.

To be continued. Rabbi Kaganoff, Arthur Kurzweil, and Eli N. Evans, many, many thanks.

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### From the Editor's Desk. . .

Vacation time is almost here for many of us. These warm months beckon us to learn something new, read some good books, travel to interesting locations, or just kick back and relax. Wherever you go, whatever you do, enjoy your summer. See you in August!

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## Research Hints: St. Louis Jewish Cemeteries Chesed Shel Emeth, White Road By C. Edwin Murray

This is the fifth of a series of articles on Jewish cemeteries in the St. Louis area.

Name: Chesed Shel Emeth  
(Act of Loving Kindness)  
Address: 650 White Road  
Chesterfield, Missouri 63017  
Office Address: Same location  
Phone: 314-469-1891  
Contact Person: Mr. Stanley Citerman,  
Director of Chesed Shel Emeth  
Society  
Office hours: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sun.–Fri.

Records and copy of map are at the office. Office is closed on Saturdays and Jewish holidays.

Size of cemetery: 30 acres

Opened: 1972

First Burial: 1972

Congregations that use the cemetery:

This is an Orthodox cemetery, open to all members of the Jewish faith.

No. of people buried as of April 2003: “Several thousand”

Number of possible graves in cemetery: Gravesites available for 150 years, according to actuarial tables

To Find a Grave: Call the office to obtain the section, row and grave number of the person you are seeking. Use the map to go to that location.

### Some Famous People Buried There

Harold **ARBEITMAN**, owned chain of Wendy's restaurants in Illinois

Joseph **POSTER**, owned 20 Smilin' Joe's stores in Illinois

Maurice **SCHECTER**, lawyer, Missouri State House Representative, 1935–1940, Missouri State Senate, 1961–1976

Dr. Richard **GRODSKY**, assistant dean and registrar in the School of Engineering & Applied Science at Washington University

Leslie **EBERHARD**, television theatrical writer, producer, and director on the NBC hit series, *Frasier*

Dr. Sanford **POSTAR**, podiatric surgeon, past president of Missouri Podiatric Association

## More on City Directories: Jewish Fraternal and Benevolent Societies (Part 6) By Joel Shedlofsky

(Please see *Generations*, January 2003 for a more complete explanation of these listings. Again, note the spelling of the societies and streets came from the various city directories.)

### Fraternal and Benevolent Societies

Ladies Hebrew Relief Society

1891–1901 214 N. 21st

Society of Mercy and Truth

1874–1879 U.H. Congregation, 6th st

1880–1882 Harmonie Hall

1883–1886 Wenzel's Hall

Tpheris Israel Society

1909 931 N. 9th

United Hebrew Relief Assoc

1876–1877 318 Market

1878–1879 310 Locust

1880–1882 414 Market

1883 410 1/2 Market

1884 310 Locust

1885 509 Olive

1886–1889 310 Locust

1890–1891 411 N 3rd

1892–1895 409 N 3rd

1896–1897 603 N 3rd

U.H. Ladies' Aid Society

(a.k.a. U.H.C. Ladies' Aid Society)

1908–1912 King's Highway boul.

Nw. cor Morgan

1913–1916 King's Highway boul,

cor Von Versen av

U.H. Ladies' Relief Society

1902–1903 214 N 21st

1904–1907 814 N King's Highway boul

The United Jewish Charities of St. Louis

(1902–1906 included Ladies' Zion, Ladies' Sewing, Ladies' Widows and Orphans, Sisterhood for Personal Service, and United Hebrew Relief; 1907–1908 included Ladies' Sewing, Ladies' Widows and Orphans; in 1909 included Ladies' Sewing Society, Free Employment Bureau, Relief Dept. Day Nursery, Sick and Needy Section, and Old Clothes Dept.)

1898–1899 603 N 3rd

1900–1907 9th, sw cor Wash

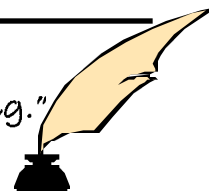
1908–1909 9th nw cor Carr

(To be completed next issue.)

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*“If you would not be forgotten, as soon as you're dead and rotten,  
either write something worth reading, or do things worth the writing.”*

Benjamin Franklin



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## Synopsis Of May Program

By Eunice Solomon

Ask the Panel: Cynthia Millar and Dennis Northcott

Our guest panelists, Cynthia Millar from the St. Louis Public Library and Dennis Northcott from the Missouri Historical Society Library, responded to puzzling genealogical questions presented by our members. Along with their answers, Cynthia and Dennis mentioned some of the holdings in their respective libraries.

The Missouri Historical Society houses city directories from the mid-1800s to about 1980. They have biographical information from veterans of WW I contributed by those veterans. Their Red-Blue books contain locations of businesses and residences by street and

# Mo. State Archives Digitizes St. Louis Probate Court Records

By Ilene Kanfer Murray

At an afternoon reception in the Civil Courts Building on Wednesday, 16 April, Secretary of State Matt Blunt announced the debut of the long-awaited St. Louis Probate Court online index as well as the first of thousands of digitized files of the actual records from 1802 to 1900. These valuable records are now accessible to researchers at the Mo. State Archives website: <[www.sos.state.mo.us/archives](http://www.sos.state.mo.us/archives)>.

According to the state archives, "the St. Louis Probate Court records make up the largest collection of 19th century probate files in Missouri." Since the City of St. Louis did not separate from the county until 1876, these are the probate records from both locations. They represent the very rich and famous, such as fur trader, Manuel Lisa, and bridge builder, James Eads, to the ordinary citizens who make up the majority of our ancestors. The files are rich in family information, including every slip of paper in each packet: receipts, inventories of household items, wills, invoices, etc.

The project began in 1995 when the Missouri State Archives and the St. Louis Probate Court agreed to preserve the probate records through the process of archival microfilming. Members of the St. Louis Genealogical Society worked on the records to prepare them for filming and then in 1996, they were filmed in Jefferson City. In mid-2002, Secretary of State Blunt authorized the next step in the project, and the digitization of the microfilm images began.

Currently, the index to all of the probate records from 1802–1900 is on the website; however, the only document images available are from 1802–1867. Many of the early files are in French and/or Spanish. Because of the poor condition of the original papers, many of which are torn or in fragments, the digitizers worked with the microfilm images, scanning each image manually. They are hoping that before the year is over, the remaining images (1867–1900) will be uploaded to the website.

To work with the index, you type a name and/or year into the search engine. This will yield a list of individuals, each linked to documents. When you find someone who matches your ancestor, just click on the link to view or download the file (in PDF format). Once it is downloaded onto your computer, it can be enlarged and/or printed out.

For more information or for assistance with probate files not yet online, you can contact the Missouri State Archives Reference Room at <[archref@sosmail.state.mo.us](mailto:archref@sosmail.state.mo.us)> or call 573-751-3280 for assistance in accessing the information from microfilm.

numerical address, which can be very helpful in locating a census ED.

The St. Louis Public Library has Voter Registration cards from 1924 to 1938 as well as city directories. There are many specialized maps of Europe, some from the late 1800s to pre-WW I, as well as maps of St. Louis neighborhoods.

Each library is worth visiting. Their holdings are far greater than what is mentioned here.



Welcome to new members,  
Sylvia Glueck  
and Mike  
Hammerman!



# What We Learn from Others: The Sharing of Ideas

By Marilen Pitler

*Illiana JGS*, Flossmoor, IL, Winter 2002-2003

In the article, "Preserving Old Photos," we are again reminded of the important steps to take when preserving the priceless pictures of our past. The article states that there are many reasons photographs deteriorate: changes in temperature, exposure to light, moisture, oil from our fingers, dirt, dust, etc. According to Eric Brand, a photo retoucher from Evanston, IL:

1. Handle photos with cotton gloves.
2. Store negatives in a separate space, away from the photos should the originals be destroyed.
3. Do not write on the backs of photos.
4. Do not use rubber bands or paperclips to hold photos together.
5. Do not display original photos; make copies, keeping the originals in a safe place.
6. When framing, use a mat to keep the glass from touching the photo.
7. Do not put tape on photos; there are some photo-safe glues.
8. Use acid-free archival materials for storage; do not store photos in regular cardboard or plywood boxes.
9. Keep photos away from heat sources.
10. Use PVC-free plastics, like Mylar, polyester, and tyvek.
11. Avoid sticky albums; put photos in sleeves, using albums that have a special place for captions.
12. Best conditions for long-term storage are 50% humidity, with temperatures between 65 to 70 degrees.

*Quest*, Newsletter of the JGS of Connecticut, December 2002

## **Wanted: Former Residents of Krynki, Grodek, Michalowo Poland**

When on a visit to Poland, Mark Halpern from West Conshohocken, Pa., met the editor-in-chief of three local newspapers covering the gminas (counties) of Krynki, Grodek (Grudki), and Michalowo. He showed Halpern articles about the vicinity's pre-war, Jewish culture. Halpern mentioned that the editor is interested in interviewing former residents for future articles. If you are originally from the region or know of someone who is, please contact Halpern at <willie46@aol.com>.

## **Finding an Enumeration District in NY**

The following web site should help locate some NYC wards and enumeration districts, providing additional links to information about various

Brooklyn, Manhattan, Bronx, Queens, and Staten Island wards during different periods of time: <<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~blkyn/Ward/ed.wd.html>>.

## **Funeral Home List, USA**

The following sites contain lists of some of the Jewish funeral homes in the U.S.:

[www.jfda.org/listing\\_state\\_city.html](http://www.jfda.org/listing_state_city.html)

[www.jfda.org/listing\\_name.html](http://www.jfda.org/listing_name.html)

*The Kosher Koala*, Newsletter of the Australian JGS, Inc., December 2002

## **The Library of the Sydney Jewish Museum**

This facility is both a research library and resource center with an emphasis on the Holocaust. It also has a reference section on Australian Jewish history. It is open to all researchers and is free to the public.

According to the article, "...Holocaust resources include most of the published books of lists of deportations, survivors, concentration camps, and labour (lagers) camps. There is a valuable collection of 75 Yizkor books as well as memoirs, testimonies and histories of European communities. Publications, such as the Gedenkbuchs for Germany, Berlin and Hamburg, general and detailed works on Auschwitz, Bergen Belsen, Theresienstadt, etc. can provide specific background information to expand your knowledge of your family history. Periodicals such as the journals of the Australian Jewish Historical Society, the Dunera Association and the Holocaust and Genocide Studies are available and the library has videotapes and newspaper clippings."

If your travel plans include Sydney, Australia, the museum and library would be a good place to visit, or see it at <[www.sydneyjewishmuseum.com.au](http://www.sydneyjewishmuseum.com.au)>.

*Shem Tov*, JGS of Canada (Toronto), December 2002

The **Archives of Ukraine** now have English sections to many portions of their website, including contact information for archives throughout Ukraine and a Question and Answer section. Visit the site at:

[www.scarch.kiev.ua/](http://www.scarch.kiev.ua/)

For links to public record databases in both the U.S. and abroad, check out the **Public Record Locator** at:

[www.searchsystems.net](http://www.searchsystems.net)

If you need to research Canadian family members, check out the **National Archives of Canada 1901 Census** website. Technical improvements have been made and navigation should be easier.

[www.archives.ca/02/020122\\_e.html](http://www.archives.ca/02/020122_e.html)



# Searching the Web

By Joel Shedlofsky

At some point in your genealogical research you will turn to the Internet seeking answers. However, due to the sheer size or number of web sites and documents available, you cannot actually search the entire Internet. The Internet is not indexed in any standard vocabulary, so searching it directly is not possible.

Instead, you will access one or more search tools available. You will use a search tool's database or collection of sites to find your answers. As each search tool contains links to a small subset of the entire Internet, you might need to use more than one search tool. You also have to be aware of new search tools and search tools that are no longer viable, as sites appear and disappear.

Presently there are four categories of search tools: search engines, meta-search engines, subject directories, and the invisible web.

Search engines are databases compiled by "spiders" (computer-robot programs) with minimal human oversight. The database is searched using keywords, trying to match exactly the words in the actual web pages. You cannot browse or search subject categories as they do not exist.

Some of today's search engines include **Google** ([www.google.com](http://www.google.com)), **Altavista** ([www.altavista.com](http://www.altavista.com)), **Alltheweb** ([www.alltheweb.com](http://www.alltheweb.com)), **Wise Nut** ([wisanut.com](http://wisanut.com)), **MSN Search** ([search.msn.com](http://search.msn.com)), **Lycos** ([www.lycos.com](http://www.lycos.com)), **Hotbot** ([www.hotbot.com](http://www.hotbot.com)), **Teoma** ([teoma.com](http://teoma.com)), and **Gigablast** ([gigablast.com](http://gigablast.com)).

A few quick tips for using search engines:

- When using search engines, if the answer isn't in the first ten search results, try another tool.
- Putting text inside quotation marks normally works to retrieve exact phrases.

Meta-search engines quickly and superficially search several individual search engines at one time. Results are returned in a somewhat convenient format. However, they might retrieve the top ten to fifty search results in any of the search engines they visit.

Some meta-search engines that you might wish to try are

**Infospace** ([www.metafind.com](http://www.metafind.com))

**Dogpile** ([www.dogpile.com](http://www.dogpile.com))

**C|net search** ([www.search.com](http://www.search.com))

**Metacrawler** ([www.metacrawler.com](http://www.metacrawler.com)).

Subject directories are human-selected sites picked by editors. They are often evaluated and kept up to date. The sites are usually organized into hierarchical subject categories. You can browse by subject categories or sometimes search using broad, general terms. There is no full text of documents.

There are thousands of subject directory web sites. A few general ones (use "genealogy" as a search term) are **Yahoo** ([www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com)), **Librarians' Index to the Internet** ([www.lii.org](http://www.lii.org)), **Infomine** ([infomine.ucr.edu/main.html](http://infomine.ucr.edu/main.html)), **Academic Info** ([www.academicinfo.net](http://www.academicinfo.net)), **About.com** ([www.about.com](http://www.about.com)), **BUBL link** ([bubl.ac.uk/link/](http://bubl.ac.uk/link/)), and **Suite 101.com** ([www.suite101.com](http://www.suite101.com)).

A subject directory we can use as genealogists is **Cyndi's List** ([www.cyndislist.com](http://www.cyndislist.com)).

The invisible web consists of databases devoted to fields of inquiry. Each searchable database allows access through a search box on a web page. The term you use queries just that specialized database. Results are dynamically generated in another web page. The results are not retained anywhere after your search.

Search engines cannot access such dynamically generated pages because the "spiders" cannot type the searches needed to generate the pages. Some websites require identification of the user and a password. For instance, we can access Heritage Quest's census information from our homes using the links in St. Louis County Library's website. However, prior to accessing the search box, you have to type in your library card number and your last name. If you do not have a valid library card with St. Louis County Library, you are unable to access Heritage Quest.

If you are seeking a database, try using the **Invisible Web** ([www.invisibleweb.com](http://www.invisibleweb.com)), **Internets** ([www.internets.com](http://www.internets.com)), or **Complete Planet** ([www.completeplanet.com](http://www.completeplanet.com)). Try using "genealogy" or "genealogy and Jewish" to find databases.

Other types of databases we use in genealogy include censuses, Social Security Death Index, family trees, vital records, and Jewish Gen's website. Most of our research involves using the invisible web. Visit our website, [www.jewishgen.org/jgs-stlouis](http://www.jewishgen.org/jgs-stlouis) and click on "web links" to find links to some databases.

The Internet also contains a number of virtual reference libraries. These sites provide online dictionaries, handbooks, directories, etc. The Internet Public Library Reference Center ([www.ipl.org/ref/](http://www.ipl.org/ref/)) and iTools ([www.itools.com](http://www.itools.com)) provide links to a number of reference pages including addresses and telephone numbers.

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[www.searchenginesshowdown.com](http://www.searchenginesshowdown.com). Visit these websites for more information and to keep up to date.

# Inquiries

Seeking information on Garith Sephard Congregation at 9th and Washington Streets. My grandparents were married there Jan. 26, 1908. Does the congregation still exist? Does the building exist? I'd be grateful for any information.

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Seeking information on Sam **GOODMAN** who had a business at 1508 Washington Ave. in St. Louis. I do not know anything else about him.

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Seeking information on my great-grandfather, Hyman **CUTNER**. He was buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery now known as United Hebrew Cemetery. I have 2 papers; one states that on July 15, 1891, \$75.00 was paid to the United Hebrew Congregation. It was for cemetery Lot 6, Block 30, 10x20. I would like to know any information that might be on his headstone or any other

information that might be available.  
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Seeking information on David **BRONSEN**, possibly a professor of German at Wash. U. Probably wrote about Joseph Roth in 1974. Born Columbus, Ohio, 1926; died St Louis, 1990. Definitely involved with German literature. Need wife or child's name and his obit. Thank you.

Toby Brief  
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Am trying to track info. on my grandfather, Herman **KOHN**. Believe he is buried in the UH cemetery. Was ex-husband of Mollie B. Kohn. She is buried on Olive Street Road and died in either 1960 or 61. Arrived USA from "Russia" in 1902. Any info appreciated. Thanks in advance.  
Lillian (Kahn) Simons  
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# Chesed Shel Emeth Cemetery Map (White Road Cemetery)

(Copies available at the cemetery office on White Road)



Sections are numbered from right to left; each rectangle contains two numbers.

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## Entrance Gates to Chesed Shel Emeth Cemetery White Road Entrance



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## Chesed Shel Emeth Cemetery, White Road, Looking Southeast



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## Chesed Shel Emeth Cemetery, White Road, Looking Northeast