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IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE:

May Meeting

*The Hidden Children of
Poland During WWII*
Yale Reisner, Speaker

**Wednesday, May 19
10:30 a.m.**

Meeting Held At:
Holocaust Museum &
Learning Center
12 Millstone Campus Dr.
and

*Restoring Memories of
Pre-WWII Poland*

2:00 p.m.

Meeting Held At:
St. Louis Co. Library
1640 S. Lindbergh Blvd.

May Discussion Group
Thursday, May 27
1:30 p.m.
Room 15 at U.H.

June Meeting

Evaluating Web Sites
Joel Shedlofsky, Speaker

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

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

June Discussion Group
Thursday, June 24
1:30 p.m.
Room 15 at U.H.

Special Events Planned for May 19th!

*The Hidden Children of Poland
During WWII and
What is Happening Now
and*

*Restoring Memories of
Pre-WWII Poland*

Yale J. Reisner, Speaker

Due to the efforts of JGS president, Ilene Wittels, and Jan Meisels Allen of JGS Los Angeles, we are honored to be one of five Jewish genealogy societies in the U. S. and Canada to be sponsoring a visit from noted scholar, Yale J. Reisner, who lives and works in Poland. Working with Dan Reich of the Holocaust Museum and Learning Center (HMLC), and Joyce Loving, manager of Special Collections at St. Louis County Library, Ilene has organized an exciting day for those with an interest in Poland.

From 10:30 a.m. until noon, Mr. Reisner will speak at the HMLC at Schuetz and Guelbreth Dr. (12 Millstone Campus Drive). His talk will refer to Jewish children who were sheltered by non-Jews during the Holocaust and how they have lived since the end of the war.

Later in the day, Mr. Reisner will travel to the St. Louis County Library Headquarters, 1640 S. Lindbergh Boulevard, where he will speak at 2:00 p.m. in the auditorium. There, he will discuss the rebuilding of Poland and Jewish society after the Holocaust. After his talk, he will be available to answer questions in the Special Collections Department on the fifth floor.

This will be an outstanding opportunity to learn more about pre and post-war Poland from someone who has lived and worked there. Invite your friends to share the day with you!

June Meeting

Evaluating Web Sites
Joel Shedlofsky, Speaker

One tool we need to use today is the Internet. We find information on many sites, but how many of us actually evaluate the Web sites visited? Come and hear how you can determine the validity and reliability of a Web site. You will learn how to determine who wrote the Web site, how accurate information on the Web site is, if the Web site is objective and current, and last, how much coverage the Web site provides on its subject.

JGS member, Joel Shedlofsky, is a research librarian at Kirkwood Public Library and has spoken before to our group. Don't miss this valuable talk on Thursday, 17 June at 7:30 p.m.



About Yale Reisner

Yale J. Reisner is Director of Research and Archives of the Ronald S. Lauder Foundation, a non-profit Jewish educational foundation active in fifteen Central and East European countries. Since 1994 he has directed the RSLF Genealogy project in Warsaw, assisting people in uncovering their family histories.

Mr. Reisner has worked in libraries and archives in the U. S., Russia, Lithuania, and Poland and helped organize the first European Conference on Judaic Archives in Potsdam, (Berlin) Germany in 1999. He has spoken at the Washington, Toronto, Los Angeles, Boston, and Paris IAIGS Seminars and has published in the U. S., Canada, and Poland.

Presidents' Message

April and June Meetings

We had a wonderful evening on 15 April when our member Marge Bilinsky showed us her videotape on how to start genealogical research. She developed the video with the support of CALOP, our organization, and others. We look forward to receiving the final version, which we will put in our library at UH. We also want to thank Marge for bringing refreshments for the meeting!

Joel Shedlofsky will be our speaker at the 17 June meeting on evaluating Web sites, which should be informative and interesting.

Special Meetings in May

We are eagerly anticipating our sessions with Yale Reisner on 19 May. Try to make both, since they will be different. We thank the Holocaust Museum and Learning Center for hosting the morning meeting and the St. Louis County Library, Special Collections, for having us for the afternoon session. Peggy Nehmen, our vice-president and a professional graphic designer, designed the flyer and mailer which was sent to Holocaust Museum members, our members, and distributed at libraries. Ilene Murray, our newsletter editor and all-around hardworking volunteer, helped us with the mailing list and labels. Leslie Popelka has distributed the flyer to over twenty-five places. Reisner will be staying at the home of Sallie and Ram Volotzky in Creve Coeur. Sallie, an active member of the Holocaust Museum, develops tours to Eastern Europe and has worked with Reisner in Warsaw. We also want to thank Jan Meisels Allen of the Los Angeles Jewish Genealogy Society for suggesting this project and making all the arrangements for Reisner's travel. It takes a lot of work to make events like this happen, and we hope that many of our members will take advantage of the opportunity to hear Mr. Reisner.

Program Chair Still Needed!

Which brings us to an unhappy note. We still have not had anyone volunteer to chair the program committee. Several individual members have come forward with ideas for meetings and are working on making them happen. Like many organizations today, we need members to volunteer their time and efforts. Please call Jerry or Ilene W. and tell us what you'd like to do. Call Ilene W. at 314-692-2444 or Jerry at 314-434-2566.

See you on May 19.

Jerry Goldberg and Ilene Wittels,

JGS of St. Louis Co-Presidents

Avotaynu Extends Offer

Jewish book publisher, Avotaynu, is extending its offer of the *Encyclopedia of Jewish Life Before and During the Holocaust* for only \$99 plus \$16 shipping. The three-volume, 1,824-page work originally sold for \$350. The *Encyclopedia* provides information about approximately 6,500 towns in Central and Eastern Europe where Jews lived before the Holocaust. It won the Association of Jewish Libraries Judaica Reference Award for 2001.

You can order the books online at <www.avotaynu.com/books/encyclopedia.htm>. There is also a list of all the towns described in the work, so you can check to see if the shtetls you are researching are included. Once the supply of books has been exhausted, there will be no reprints. This is an amazing offer for Jewish genealogists. If you are maintaining a reference library, you will surely want to add this set to it.

Passenger Ship Information

Steve Morse now has a complete list of all the ship arrivals into Ellis Island for the years covered by the EIDB (1892 to 1924). This list was just completed a few weeks ago. For each ship there is the microfilm roll and the date of arrival. Furthermore, for many of the arrivals it even gives the starting frame number for the ship. This list can be accessed from this Web page: <<http://stevemorse.org/ellis/boat.html>>

From this location you can quickly get to the manifests for any ship if you know the name of the ship and the approximate date of arrival. Steve has a team of volunteers who are continuing to add frame numbers to the list so that eventually he'll have the frame number for every ship arrival.

Most people are unaware that the St. Louis Public Library at 13th and Olive has microfilm copies of many passenger ship manifests. If you are looking for an index or an actual manifest, here is what is at your disposal downtown in the Microfilm Room:

New York:	Indexes: 1820–1847; 1897–1943 (the years in the middle are NOT indexed, although ancestry.com is working on them.) Manifests: 1820–May 1905
Baltimore:	Indexes: 1820–1897 Manifests: 1820–1891
Philadelphia:	Indexes: 1800–1906 Manifests: 1800–1882
Boston:	Indexes: 1848–1891 Manifests: 1820–1891

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. Again I point to my last name of Jackson which was originally Yaacov. In the 1860 U.S. census, my ancestor’s last name was Jacob. In the 1870 U.S. census, his last name was Jackson. He “Americanized” his last name completely. 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.”

KRETSKES Zemach, in Hebrew, means “branch.” The Sephardic form is Crescas with the feminine form being Cresca. Among the Polish Jews, the name was transformed into Kretske with Kretskes meaning “one who is descended from Kretske.”

LACHMAN Lachman is usually taken from a German translation of Isaac (“he laughed”). But others have derived Lachman from “Lache,” the old German for “boundary mark” and the name would refer to a person living near or on a boundary. Yet another thought is non-Jews in Silesia pronounced Lachman as Nahman. Regardless of the origin, the name appeared as early as the fifteenth century as a first name and later was adopted as a family name.

LAPIDUS One theory is that Lapidus, which is a Biblical name, eventually became a family name. Another theory is that Lapidus is from the Latin “lapides,” which is another word for stones. If the latter is to be believed, then the name would indicate the person's occupation was that of a stone mason or of a gem engraver.

LEHMAN Lehman is a technical term from the Middle Ages which means a vassal of a feudal lord. As a Jewish family name, it is derived from the profession of banking or money lending. “Leihen” means “to lend” in German. “Leihhaus” is a pawnshop and “Leihman” is a pawnbroker. But, there could be another meaning, which is a disguised name for a Levite, where Lehman was understood as Levi-man. Also appears as Lehmann.

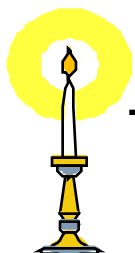
LOWENSTEIN “Lowe” means “lion” in German and may be a translation of the Yiddish “Layb” (“lion”) which is the symbolic name for Judah (Yehudah). Lowe may also be a disguised name for a Levite which means the person was (or dreamed to be) a descendent of a Levite. The “-stein” suffix has no real meaning as it is an embellishment.

MELNICK There are two derivations. The first is the person was from the town of Mielnik, which may be found in Poland or may be found in Lithuania according to which map and the date of the map being used. The second is the name was taken from the Russian “Melnik,” the Russian word for “miller” which also yields the name Melnikoff.

MELTZ From the Polish “mielcarz,” the owner of a malt kiln. The name may also refer to a brewer which yields the name “Meltzer.” But, Rabbi Isser Zalman Meltzer, upon assuming the name, had nothing to do with malt kilns or brewing. The name was based on the Hebrew word “meltzer” which means “steward.”

MERR MEYEROFF Another form of Meir (“light” in Hebrew). May also appear as Meer. “Meyerhoff” is German for “the owner of a dairy farm.” But Jewish names in combination with Meyer are almost always a very elaborate form of Meir (“light” in Hebrew). Also appears as Meyerfeld, Meyerheim, Meyersberg, Meyerstein, Meyerhardt, Meyersicht, Meyers and many other derivations of the name.

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



There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.

Edith Wharton

Meet the Members: Lisa Weinshenker

By Sylvia Letvak Jaffe

Lisa Weinshenker of Detroit, Michigan, has been a member of JGS of St. Louis for eight years. She, however, has never lived in St. Louis. Lisa was born in Chicago, Illinois, and grew up in Louisville, Kentucky. Her husband, Scott WINNICK, was born in Toronto, Canada. Lisa's parents Paula (SUBOW) and Barry WEINSHENKER were born and raised in St. Louis, as were her paternal grandparents, Simon and Sylvia (SINGER) Weinshenker. Her maternal grandparents, Mollye (LETVAK), born in Berezno, Wolyń, Poland, now Ukraine, and Leon Subow (originally ZUBOWIEC) born in Zaslov and emigrated from Warsaw, also settled in St. Louis when they each arrived in the U.S. The Singer family was from England and the Weinshenker family was from Vad Rashkov, Romania (now Moldova).

Lisa learned of the society from me, her great-aunt. She didn't need to join the society. I would have provided her with all the genealogical information she needed. Lisa explains, "Because all of my grandparents and many of my relatives were from St. Louis, I joined the society in order to be kept abreast of what was going on with genealogical issues that were unique to St. Louis. I want to support efforts to make information about the Jewish history and Jewish residents of St. Louis available for those who are doing research. And finally, there was the more unusual extra benefit that my great-aunt Sylvia was president of the JGS and editor of *Generations* at the time I originally joined, which provided an additional opportunity to connect to family by being able to read her commentaries each month."

Lisa wants to be more than a silent member. She recently had me ask the board if there was any kind of volunteer work she could do for the society from her home in Detroit. She had previously done some work for JewishGen from home. Lisa does not have much free time as she is employed as a psychometrist for several psychologists in independent practice in Detroit. JGS of St. Louis has benefited from her thoughtfulness. She donated the book *There Once Was A World: A 900 Year Chronicle of the Shtetl of Eishyshaht*, by Yaffe Eliach to the society library. Lisa has never attended a meeting but her membership is precious to the society, as are all members who cannot attend the monthly meeting or participate in special events.

Recently Lisa was in Toronto for a few days to visit her husband's family. I had mentioned to her that I would have loved to obtain information on



Scott Winnick, Sylvia and Art Jaffe,
and Lisa Weinshenker

my cousin who had played with the Toronto Symphony. She contacted the symphony and obtained the information. However, she went that extra mile and located where my cousin and his wife were buried, and on a snowy, cold day took snapshots and mailed them to me. I was not able to locate the cemetery information when I was in Toronto a couple of years ago, since Toronto has many Jewish cemeteries.

JGS of St. Louis needs more young members in their thirties like Lisa. Why not help build the society by giving a membership gift to a young family member today!

Extant Bremen Records Being Indexed

Many researchers know that few emigration records survive, other than those from Hamburg. Most of the records from the port of Bremen/Bremerhaven were systematically destroyed because of lack of storage space. However, during World War II, lists of passengers who left Bremen, Germany, for Canada, the U. S., and South America between 1920–1939 were stashed away in Russia. These lists have been returned to Germany and are being indexed.

The Bremen, Germany, Chamber of Commerce and a family history research group called Maus has created a bilingual Web site available for searching at <http://db.genealogy.net/maus/gate/shiplists.cgi?lang=en>. The database currently includes a complete index to 1920–1926 and partial indexes to 1927, 1928, and 1930. It's worth a look if you think you had family members traveling from Germany at that time period.

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IAJGS Conference Registration and Program Now Online

The on-line registration for the 24th IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy to take place between the 4th and 9th of July, 2004 in Jerusalem, is now up and ready! You can find it on the conference Web site at <www.jewishgen.org/jerusalem2004>. There you will also find the latest details on research opportunities in Israel; proposed tours before and after the conference; information on hotel accommodations; and more information on the conference program. Registration can be done via the Internet, e-mail or by fax. You can download a PDF or Word file of the registration and accommodation forms and of the conference information, if you prefer the latter option.

Recently added to the conference Web site is the preliminary version of the conference program. You will find it above and beyond your expectations! This looks like it will be an outstanding event. Go to <www.isragen.org.il/ROS/prog2004.pdf> to get a copy of the program. It will download as a .pdf (Adobe Acrobat) file.



Allen Co. Library in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Announces Free E-Newsletter

Our genealogical friends at the Allen County Public Library Historical Genealogy Department in Fort Wayne, Indiana, are pleased to announce their electronic newsletter, "Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library." Each month you can learn about new collections, department special events, source highlights, new acquisitions, Web sites and much more! They will keep you up to date on their outstanding temporary location, where the books are on open stacks, available for your perusal. Information about the construction at the old library site and the plans for moving back in two or three years will also be included.

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Genealogy Events of Interest: May/June 2004

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

Tuesday, 11 May 2004

7:00 p.m. at Co. Library Headquarters Auditorium (**Regular evening schedule resumes.**)

Using Newspapers in Family History Research

Speaker: Ilene Murray



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

Tuesday, 15 June 2004

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

Military Records

(**Note: This is a change from the original published schedule**)

Speaker: Faro Maniaci

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

What We Learn from Others: The Sharing of Ideas

By Marilen Pitler

The Gatherers, JGS of Bergen County, N.J., Summer 2003

Best of the Web

The International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS) lists the Web sites of its members. A few of the international groups are highlighted in this issue of *The Gatherers*. For additional links to member societies, click on the IAJGS site at <www.jewishgen.org/iajgs/>.

Asociacion de Genealogia Judia de Argentina:

<www.agja.org.ar/>

Contains burial information for over 200,000 interments. Over 350,000 people listed in the database from over 100 sources.

Cercle de Genealogie Juive de Belgique:

<www.mjbb-jmb.org/>

Web site of the Jewish Museum of Belgium, containing resources that include databases and address books.

The Genealogical Institute of the Jewish Heritage Centre of Western Canada:

<www.jhwc.org/geninst.htm>

Currently working with students at elementary schools on a surname and family history project.

Jewish Genealogical Society of Canada (Toronto):

<www.jgstoronto.ca/>

Currently creating a computer database of every Jewish burial in Toronto.

Jewish Genealogical Society of Montreal:

<www.gtrdata.com/jgs-montreal/>

Contains a surname list from indices of Jewish vital records of Quebec, 1841 to 1942.

Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain:

<www.jgsgb.org.uk/>

Contains many databases and tips for finding marriage documents for Jewish marriages in England.



Branches, newsletter of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Miami, Inc., September 2003

Check out NaturalizationRecords.com at <<http://naturalizationrecords.com/usa/passports.shtml>>. According to the site, "Learn where to find declarations of intent, first papers, alien registrations, passport applications, petitions of naturalization and certificates of citizenship. Search substitute naturalization records—ships passenger lists, census records, oaths of allegiance, voter registration lists, and more! Find your brick wall ancestor and add another branch to your family tree."

Here's a site for those of you with an interest in the early Jewish presence in Los Angeles: <<http://home.earthlink.net/~nholdeneditor/>>. The site is a project of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Los Angeles and contains stories, family trees, etc. relating to the Jewish history of Los Angeles.



Discovery, San Diego JGS, Summer 2003

If planning a trip to Eastern Europe, please go to our library and check out the Summer 2003 issue of *Discovery*. The article, "Some Observations about Planning for and Traveling in Ukraine," contains a wealth of travel tips. Topics included are picking a guide; setting an itinerary; getting a Ukrainian visa; and dealing with medical issues. You will also get answers to questions, such as, "Are water, milk, and food safe to drink and eat?" "Is it advisable to bring toilet paper and are public restrooms available?" "How much money should we take?" "How good are the telephone system and Internet connections?" "Is it necessary to have a translator?"



Quest, newsletter of the JGS of Connecticut, September 2003

The article, "Google: Finding Background Information on People," points to the many areas in which the Google search engine can be of help with questions relating to genealogy. Go to <www.google.com/options/index.html> for a listing of many of the services and tools Google has to offer.



ZichronNote, the Journal of the San Francisco Bay Area JGS, August 2003

Stephen Morse, a member of the San Francisco Bay Area JGS, received an award for Outstanding Contributions to Jewish Genealogy from the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS) at their international conference in July. He was recognized for his "extraordinary work, programming skills, and perseverance in producing his One-Step Research Tools, through which he has unselfishly provided a genealogist-friendly interface to the Ellis Island Database and the 1930 U.S. Census Database."

All of us who do genealogical research should take our hats off to Steve Morse. Without his work, using the Ellis Island database and the 1930 census would be much more difficult than it is. If you are not familiar with his Web site at <www.stevemorse.org>, be sure to look at it and all that it has to offer.

How One JGS-St. Louis Member Created His Personal Family History Web Site

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://mefischer1.home.comcast.net/>

Personal genealogy Web sites range from simple one-page lists of surnames being researched to elaborate compilations of vast amounts of genealogical data presented in complex series of linked pages. In planning my own family history Web site on the research I have done on my wife's and my genealogy, my goal was to include the expected ancestral family tree charts as well as an easy-to-navigate presentation of interesting anecdotes, letters, historical research and old family photos.

I already had much of the content in the form of the research I had done since the 1970s. I already had dozens of old family photos scanned into my home computer and organized into folders by surname. And I had an Internet service provider, Comcast.net, through which I could "publish" my site.

Since I had no experience in creating a Web site, the first thing I needed to do was select and then learn to use the proper software. I already had some software on my home computer that could be used to create Web pages: Print Shop 15, Microsoft Word 2002, and Family Tree Maker 11. Selecting one of those programs that I already had would have been the economical solution.

But my wife, Judith, a teacher who runs the computer lab in an elementary school, persuaded me to use Microsoft FrontPage 2003, which, unlike the programs we already had, is primarily a Web page design tool. At the time we purchased it in late 2003, using her teacher's discount, we paid just under \$200. But Amazon.com recently listed it at just under \$170.

After installing it on my computer, I gained access to the online FrontPage training courses at <office.microsoft.com>, where I worked through a series of six lessons, each one less than an hour long, to learn how to use FrontPage. I found these classes very helpful, although they are not absolutely necessary for those who are more experienced with using a variety of Windows-based programs. Our twenty-one year-old daughter was able to create an attractive but fairly simple Web site of her own without taking the online course.

The next step for creating my Web site was to sketch out on paper a rough design of its home page, which would contain links to other pages. FrontPage comes with several design templates that can be used for this purpose, but I wanted the flexibility of creating my own.

My design was inspired in a general way by the visual organization of some of the better newspaper Web sites. They usually have a horizontal "banner" at the top of the home page with the name of the newspaper. To the left is often a narrow vertical box with quick links to various online newspaper sections, such as local news, national and foreign news, sports, and business. To the right is often another vertical box containing advertising. In the middle are a photo and the start of a related news article with a link to a page containing the entire article. Below that first article are usually links to other articles, some with photos, but mostly without.

I gradually "roughed out" on paper a series of horizontal and vertical design elements for my home page. They included, among other items, a banner on top using an attractive, very large typeface to spell out the name of my site; a vertical box on the left containing links to family trees; a horizontal package containing a map of Europe locating some of our ancestral home towns accompanied by a link to an article I wrote about which families came from where; a vertical box containing links to other family members' genealogy or business Web sites; and a package of old family photos with a link to a gallery of more early photos.

Each box contained a headline, an introductory paragraph or two and a "More" button linking to a page that repeated the headline and usually included a subhead or different introductory paragraph, and the complete article. For example, one box on the home page was headlined: "An age-old question: When was Ernestine Kober Fischer born?" The introductory paragraph said: "Her tombstone and obituaries say she was 100 when she died in 1924, but earlier documents raise less inflated possibilities." When readers click the "More" button, they open a page containing photos of Ernestine's tombstone and of one of her obituaries and a detailed article explaining the conflicting documents concerning her age.

In the process of creating the site, I found that I could not limit myself to working only in FrontPage. I needed to use other software programs to prepare some of the elements included in the site. (Later, as I become more familiar with FrontPage, I learned that much of this work could have been accomplished within FrontPage.)

(More of Martin's How-To's coming next month!)

Thinking about publishing your family history on the Internet? Martin Fischer's experiences can help you build a top-notch Web site.

Inquiries

Looking for info. on long-lost grandfather, Lester I. HEYMAN. Supposedly family was from Kentucky. He was a lawyer in Chicago in the early 1920's. First marriage to Erna STEINECKER (c. 1919) led to a son, Louis William Heyman (born 2 Jun 1920), and a daughter, Betty Jean Heyman (1924?). They were divorced c. 1925. Lester had a second marriage with possibly a second son. He died around 1937.

Lester got his L. L. B. in 1907, at Washington University, and L. L. M., 1908, Yale University. Also: Western Counsel Friar's Club, Atty. Gen'l. Fur Trade, member Friar's Club (N.Y.C.), Westwood Country Club, Automobile, Bit and Bridle, and Sunset Hills Country and Golf Clubs. Member of Mo. State and American Bar Assns.

In 1917 he worked at 637 Boatmen's Bank Bldg in St. Louis and lived at 4756 Westminster Pl.

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I am seeking information about my grandfather's religious background. His name was Robert Stanley FADEM and he was born in St. Louis. His father was Leonard? (unsure of first name) Fadem. His mother was Belle KURLANDER, also from and possibly born in St. Louis and belonging to a large family. Belle Kurlander was descended from Jeanie FELDMAN (my great-great grandmother) and Sol Kurlander, both immigrants to our knowledge.

Any information or records would be extremely helpful as I am looking into making aliyah. We believe my grandfather came from Jewish origins, but he was extremely secretive about his past and family. We also believe that Jeannie Feldman may have been exhumed and reburied in Israel in 1949.
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