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**In 1922, at East 77 Street in Manhattan, 3-year old Moe Aronson had a most unusual experience that was recorded on film. The photo has been well-preserved. (see pages 6 and 7) Moe is a charter member of the JGSGO.**

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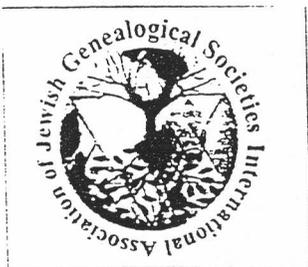
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**CALENDAR:****Future JGSGO Programs + others**

Tuesday, July 9: Regular Meeting, Senior Lounge JCC, 7:00 p.m., Program: "Problem Solving and General Discussion"

Sunday-Friday, August 4-9 The 22nd. International Conference on Jewish Genealogy, Toronto, Canada

Monday, August 5: JGSGO Board of Directors meeting, 7:00 p.m. , Conference Room, JCC

Tuesday, August 13: Regular Meeting, Senior Lounge, JCC, 7:00 p.m. Program: "The 1930 Census and How to Use it" presented by Gregg Gronlund, Head of the Genealogy Department, Orange Co. , Library System, Orlando

Wednesday-Sunday, August 7-10, Federation of Genealogical Societies, Ontario, California

Tuesday, September 10: Regular Meeting, Senior Lounge, JCC 7:00 p.m. Program: To be announced

Monday, November 4: JGSGO Board of Directors meeting, 7:00 p.m., Conference Room, JCC

NOTE: The 2003 annual conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, hosted by the Florida State Genealogical Societies will be held in Orlando, September 3-6, at the Marriott Renaissance (adjacent to Sea World).

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I would like to acknowledge and thank the members who this year have been providing us with services. First, Howard Seligson performed an excellent job as our



Annual Workshop Coordinator. He provided us with an outstanding professional speaker and obtained many genealogical handouts from various vendors. The only problem was that the workshop looked like a Jacksonville program as there were more members from that Florida area than from our own Society.

Jay Schleichkorn as usual has donated much time to Etz Chaim as well as providing us with publicity.

The membership list has been kept up to date by Doris and Don Frank and is now on our website. The record of receipt of dues, as well as watching the disbursement of funds, is the responsibility of Shirley Michael. She is most efficient in the way she operates.

Herb Adler has reorganized the library making it much easier to locate books and the list of holdings is now on the website. In a few months the location of our books will be moved within the Holocaust Center as they are expanding.

Moe Aronson as usual keeps records of the attendance at the meetings and according to his records the attendance is off. It would be helpful if members would let the board know what kind of programs they would like.

Several members asked for an occasional Sunday Meeting. On May 19th Doris and Don Frank provided us with a Sunday meeting with an excellent speaker. None of the members that had asked for daytime or Sunday meetings attended and we lost some of the members that attend our regular monthly Tuesday nights.

I would like to also thank, without giving a long list of names, the members that on a regular basis participate in the discussions and activities at our monthly meetings.

As you can see from the people mentioned above only a small number of our members are participating in the running of our Society. We need help from others to make our programs more interesting and attract new members. At present we need someone to volunteer for hospitality chairperson and program director. It takes a little time but the input from different people makes a vast difference in the final results of an action.

If you have time to help or if you have any suggestions please contact any member of the board.

*Sim Seckbach, President*

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## JGSGO AND THE INTERNET

Jay Schleichkorn

In his "What's Nu" bulletin of May 2002, Sim Seckbach, JGSGO president, wrote, "current membership, 51, of these there are 44 e-mail addresses." That translates to 86% of the members use e-mail and the Internet. E-mails from the IAJGS seem to support the statistics that a majority of members use the Internet for their genealogical research. The number of JGSocieties using electronic mail for notices of meetings and general correspondence, has been growing rapidly. Referring to JGS newsletter, with increasing costs in publishing and postage, the trend now is to make newsletters electronically available.

JGSGO experimented with placing the Etz Chaim on our web site (<http://www.rootsweb.com/~fljgscf/>). It worked well. Using an Adobe Reader, all should be able to retrieve the download. The Board of Directors anticipate the Fall issue will be made available on-line. What do think of the idea and system? Going electronic offers our JGSGO a great opportunity to reduce costs. Publishing and mailing Etz Chaim quarterly runs about \$200. Figuring \$800 a year that is a major factor in our budget! It is obvious that placing Etz Chaim on the Internet is a tremendous savings. The question arises immediately- what about those members who do not have access to a computer. They will receive a hard copy. Various libraries will also get a hard copy. It probably will mean only 25 to 30 hard copies will have to be made instead of 150 to 200.

Times are changing and we in JGSGO must keep up with the latest trends in communication.

JGSGO members are urged to check our website (<http://www.rootsweb.com/~fljgscf/>). Read the Etz Chaim right from your computer and if you want a hard copy, just print it out.

As your Etz Chaim editor, I recently received a bulletin from the Center for the Advancement of Health. The entire issue dealt with Information and the Internet. Here are some interesting facts:

.....The United States is online. As of September 2001, 143 million Americans, about 54% of the population are using the Internet. An additional 2 million log on every month.

.....Although gaps still exist, Internet use in the United States is increasing regardless of income, education, age, race, ethnicity or gender.

.....Despite early differences in Internet use between men and women, gender equity has been a reality in Internet use since August 2000. Rates of use are now almost identical - 53.8 per cent of women and 53.9 percent of men are online. Annual rates of increase in use are also almost the same - 20 percent for women and 19 per cent for men.

*Information reference: US Department of Commerce, Economics and Statistics Administration, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (2002). A nation online: How Americans are expanding their use of the Internet - [www.ntia.doc.gov/ntiahome/dn/anationonline2.pdf](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/ntiahome/dn/anationonline2.pdf).*

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

"Many of us have been contacted, via a posting on JewishGen, via e-mail, and via post mail about the 'International Roots Conference,' hosted by 'My Conference Planners, LLP' and planned for Dearborn, MI this coming July. Some of the contacts stress its value to the Jewish Genealogist.

So that there is no misunderstanding, there is only one conference this Summer sponsored by the organized Jewish genealogical community through the auspices of its elected leadership, the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies. That conference is the '22nd IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy, planned for August 4-9, in Toronto Canada.' The local host for this conference is the JGS of Canada (Toronto), <http://www.jgstoronto.ca>. The web site for the conference is <http://www.jgstoronto2002.ca>.

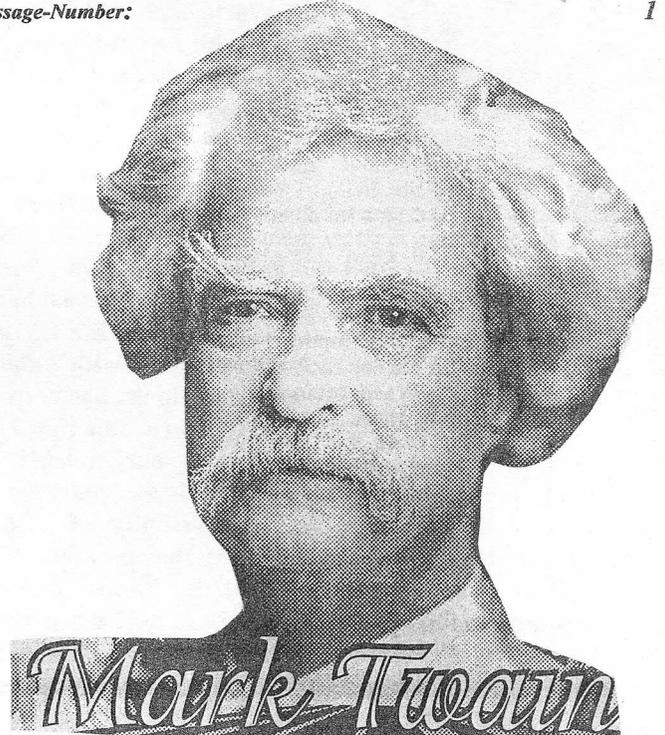
Shortly after the founding of the first modern Jewish Genealogical societies in the late 1970's, it was realized that, while gatherings existed for genealogists in general, there was a need for conferences specifically focused on Jewish Genealogy. Such conferences would provide lectures and access to resources of greatest interest to the genealogist researching their Jewish roots. Programming would focus on Jewish resources, research methodologies, history, migrations, and culture. And, there would be sensitivity to Jewish religion and culture. So, provisions have often been made for kosher food, minions, and associated Jewish cultural film presentations. Today, there are a wide range of conferences that serve the needs of the broader genealogy community, including those put on by NGS, FGS, FEEFHS, and others. The annual IAJGS Conference remains the only one focused specifically on Jewish research.

The JGS of Canada (Toronto) has done a terrific job in planning a world-class conference, including a wide range of topics geared to the genealogist searching their Jewish roots. The program chair, Peter Jassem, has significant contacts in Eastern Europe and is coordinating an outstanding, Jewish-research oriented program. One of the planned presenters is the chief archivist of the Ukraine, a personal favorite of mine, given my roots across the Ukraine. JewishGen has worked closely with the conference and will be a major presence there. A Jewish Genealogical Film Festival is being planned to run during the conference, in theaters directly in the conference hotel. The banquet will be kosher, and daily minyans will be organized for those who wish to participate. Toronto, the host city, has both a strong and vibrant Jewish community and terrific academic resources on Eastern Europe and world geography (another personal favorite). And, given the favorable exchange rate, your money will go further in Canada. Please go to the conference web site for the latest information and registration.

If you are able to participate in only one conference this Summer, I urge you to be at the 22nd IAJGS Inter-

national Conference on Jewish Genealogy, August 4-9, Toronto Canada. It's where your friends will be. Hal Bookbinder, IAJGS president.

Subject: Conference Confusion? From: "Hal Bookbinder" <bookbinder1@earthlink.net> Date: Mon, 22 Apr 2002 21:05:08 -0700, X-Message-Number: 1



**I**f the statistics are right, the Jews constitute but one percent of the human race. It suggests a nebulous, dim puff of star dust lost in the blaze of the Milky Way. Properly the Jew ought hardly to be heard of; but he is heard of, has always been heard of. He is as prominent on the planet as any other people, and his commercial importance is extravagantly out of proportion to the smallness of his bulk. His contributions to the world's list of great names in literature, science, art, music, finance, medicine and abstruse learning are also way out of proportion to the smallness of his numbers. He has made a marvellous fight in this world, in all the ages; and has done it with his hands tied behind him. He could be vain of himself, and be excused for it. The Egyptian, the Babylonian, and the Persian rose, filled the planet with sound and splendor, then faded to dream-stuff and passed away; the Greek and the Roman followed, and made a vast noise, and they are gone; other peoples have sprung up and held their torch high for a time, but it burned out, and they sit in twilight now, or have vanished. The Jew saw them all, beat them all, and is now what he always was, exhibiting no decadence, no infirmities of age, no weakening of his parts, no slowing of his energies, no dulling of his alert and aggressive mind. All things are mortal but the Jew; all other forces pass, but he remains. What is the secret of his immortality?

Mark Twain 1899

## NEWS OF JGSGO MEMBERS

....At the April Annual Meeting of the Central Florida Genealogical Society (in Orlando) two of our members were re-elected as officers for the year 2002-2003. Sim Seckbach will serve as president and Gladys Friedman Paulin as Treasurer.



As this is the second year for Sim and Gladys, it is the last that they can serve. CFGS has a 2 year term limit. Congratulations Gladys and Sim!

.... Gladys, now a Certified Genealogical Records Specialist (CGRS) from the Board for Certification of Genealogist (BCG), has been selected to be a speaker at the August 7-10 National Conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies to be held in Ontario, California.

....On May 7, Edith Schulman was installed for her second term as co-president of the Orlando Chapter of Hadassah. Edith joined the JGSGO in year 2000.

....You may recall reading about Carl Migden (our former librarian) and his wedding to Karyn Angel on December 31, 2001, on the ski slopes of Steamboat Springs, CO. And now for the BIG news....On June 15, Carl wrote, "*On Friday June 14, Karyn and I have become the proud parents (owners) of a 17 pound 3 ounce Golden Retriever, named Zack. Mother (Goldilocks) is doing fine as well as the father, South Dakota Digger.*"

....Howie Gold, a JGSGO member since 1998 has been involved with *Shalom Orlando* for approximately four years and serves as its' co-chair for two years. Moe Aronson (a JGSGO Charter member) has served as the JGSGO representative to *Shalom Orlando* for more than five years.

....Mel Kohn of Errol Estates, Apopka, a member of JGSGO since 1998, was elected 2nd vice president of (CLJ) the Congregation of Liberal Judaism, Orlando. Elections were held May 1.

....Jay Schleichkorn, has been designated a Distinguished Scholar in Residence in the Physical Therapy Program of the Department of Health Professions, College of Health and Public Affairs at the University of Central Florida. Jay formerly was the Chair of the PT program at the State University of New York at Stony Brook from 1971 through 1987. He joined the JGSGO in 1992.



Mel Kohn

....Gene and Elaine Starn are making plans to move to

Delray Beach in November of this year. Twelve years ago, Gene founded the JGSGO. What a loss for our local community. Watch for further news on Gene's move.

## IN APPRECIATION

The JGSGO would like to acknowledge the generosity of friends and relatives of the late Doug First. The obituary notice that appeared in the Orlando Sentinel on April 6, 2002, indicated, "*in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Orlando.*" The JGSGO Board will use the donated funds to purchase additional books for the genealogy library.

It should be noted that Doug and his wife, Sylvia, are charter members of the JGSGO. On the original sign-in attendance sheet distributed at the organizational meeting, September 10, 1990, Doug and Sylvia are listed as number 3 and 4.

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## TORONTO 2002:

A MEETING PLACE

(Lieu de recontre)

22nd IAJGS International Conference

on Jewish Genealogy

August 4-9, 2002

Hosted by the

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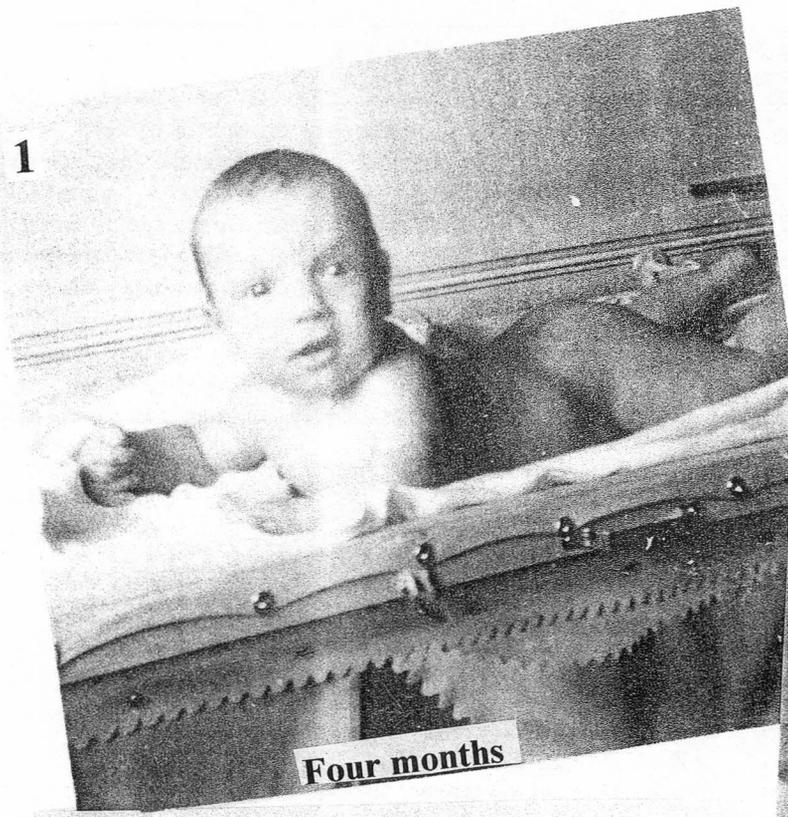
(Toronto)

*With your "genealogical" eye and experience, can you identify and match the JGSGO members?*

Hints:  
Marshall Frenkel, Harold Gold, Mel Kohn, Jack Kornbluh, Carl Migden, Arlene Parnes, Howard Seligson, Jay Schleichkorn.

See how you made out...page 11

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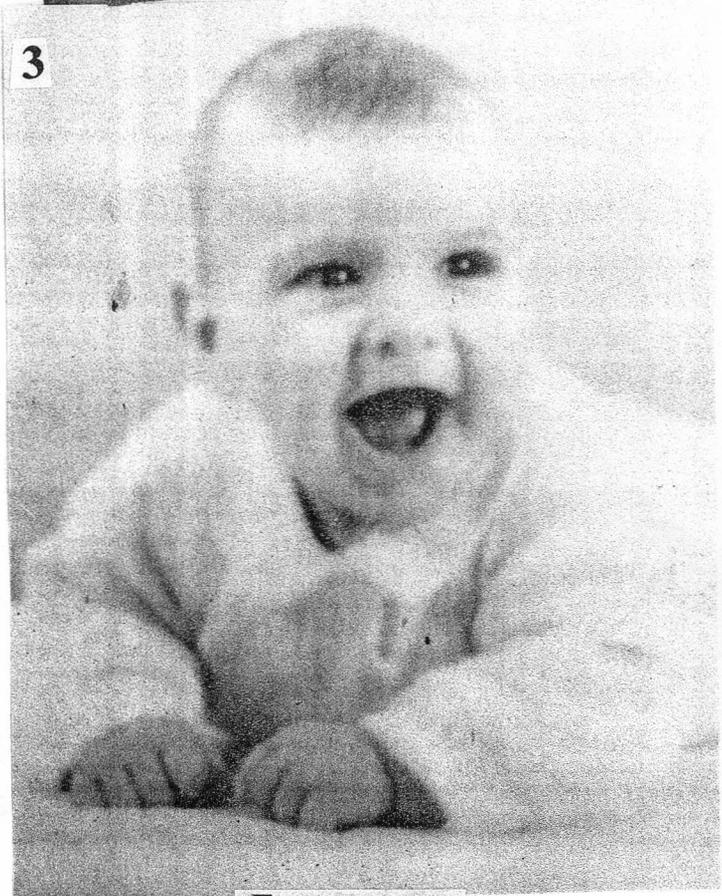
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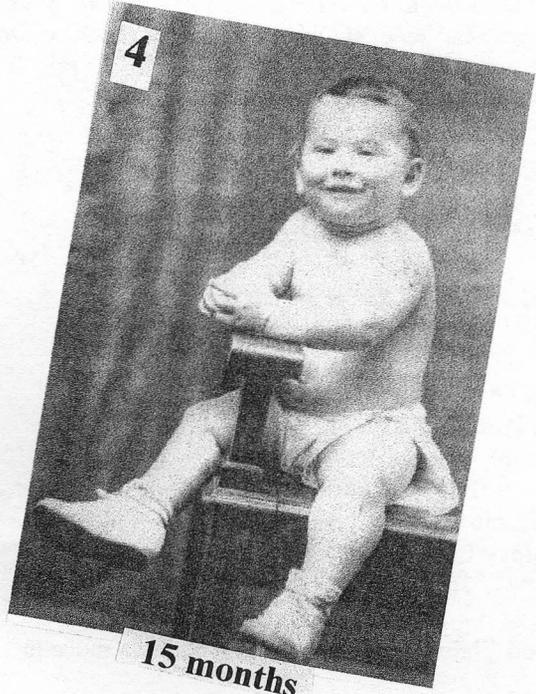
18 months

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Four months

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15 months

*In your genealogical research...  
Are your photos dated? Have you  
identified family members? Do you  
protect old pictures?*

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18 months (1926)



15 months



Five months

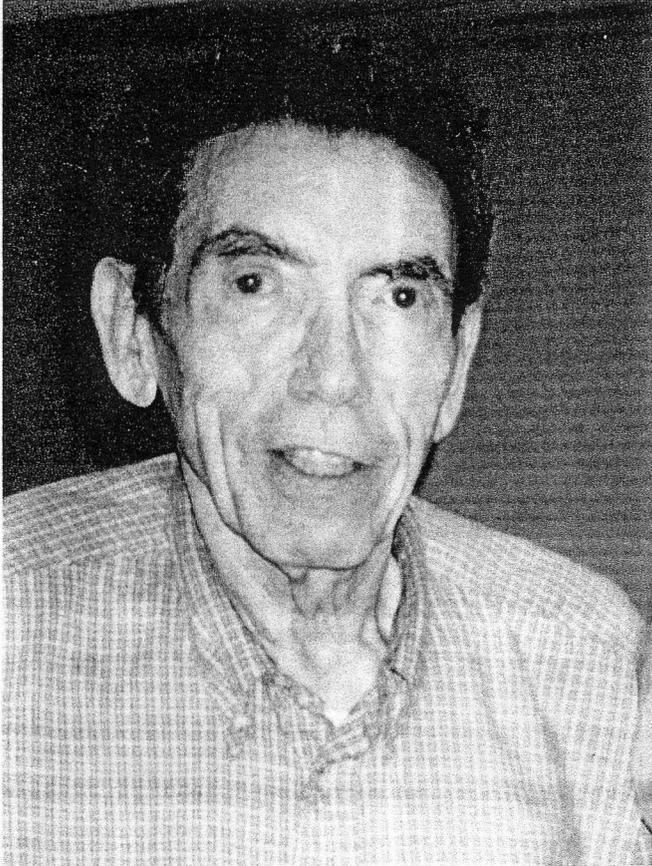
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12 months (1923)

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Old Photographs"

## JGSGO NOTES THE PASSING OF THREE MEMBERS



**DOUG FIRST (1922-2002)**

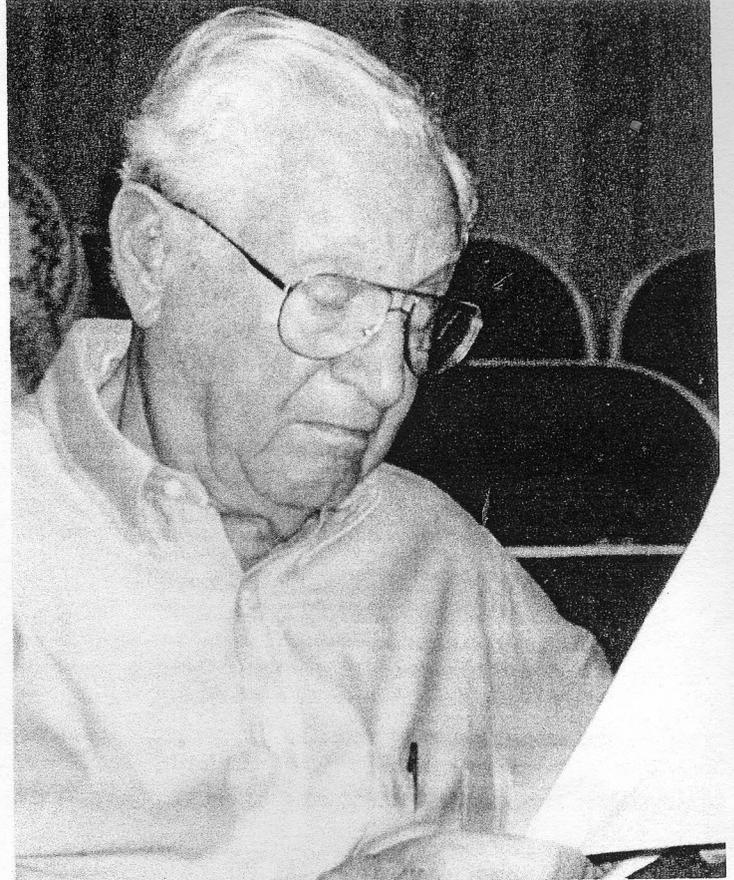
Doug First, 80, a native of Philadelphia and resident of Maitland, FL, a charter member of the JGSGO, died on Thursday, April 4. Doug is survived by his wife, Sylvia, of 56 years, a son, two daughters and eight grandchildren.

In the Fall 2001 issue of Etz Chaim, Doug's military service was recognized and an entire page was devoted to Doug and war-time experiences. Prior to WWII, Doug lived in Brooklyn. After graduating from high school, he worked at the Brooklyn Navy Yard as a journeyman shipright from 1940-1943. He joined the Navy in 1943 and became an Electrician Technician First Class. After 27 months in the Pacific theater, Doug was discharged at Lido Beach, NY. He indicated, "my interest in electronics came about due to my experiences and training in the service. That was the start of my career."

Doug met Sylvia at an adult camp in Connecticut. He indicated, "Sylvia and I grew to know each other through our correspondence while I was in service. I wrote 387 letters to her during that period." (The letters were saved and placed in a book and copies were given to each of their children.)

He married Sylvia in January 1946 and studied Math and Physics at Brooklyn College. Doug and Sylvia have been recognized as Charter Members of the JGSGO having attended the first meeting on September 10, 1990.

Graveside funeral services with Rabbi Rudolph Adler, officiating, were held April 8 at Ohev Shalom Cemetery, Orlando.



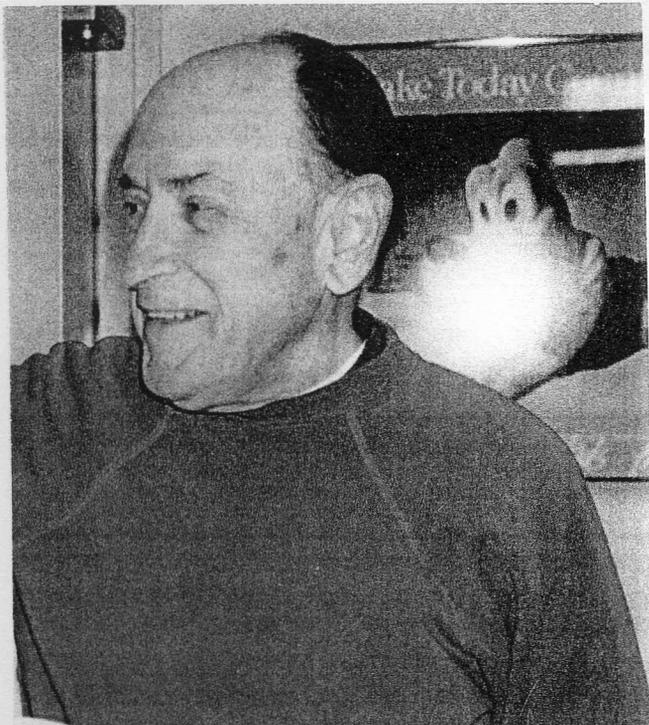
**ERNEST LEFKOWITZ (1919-2002)**

Ernest Lefkowitz, 83, of Winter Park, passed away on Wednesday, May 29. He was born and raised in Winston Salem, NC. Before enlisting in the service during WWII, he earned a degree in economics from the University of North Carolina. In an article in Etz Chaim (Fall 2001) Ernie's military history was described. In January 1942, he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and was assigned to the Ordnance Department. He served in England for 16 months at the Bassinbourne AF Base. He returned to the states to attend Officer Candidate School at Aberdeen Proving Grounds and was stationed at Pedricktown Ordnance Department in New Jersey. With his commission, he served as an Ammunition Supply Officer and spent 15 months in Whittier and Dutch Harbor, Alaska and the Shemya Aleutian Islands. Before going overseas, he married Tillie and recently celebrated 58 years of marriage. They have three sons and a daughter, eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.

In 1961, Ernie and his brother, Joe, started Leeds, a catalog merchandise showroom in Orlando. A year later, they moved to a 60,000 square-foot showroom and expanded their stock to include small appliances, electronics, luggage and sports equipment. Ernie sold his interest to his brother in 1974 and retired. The business was sold to Modern Merchandise and became Service Merchandise.

Ernie and his wife, Tillie, joined the JGSGO in 1998.

Funeral services were held at Temple Israel with Rabbi Rick Sherwin officiating and burial was at the Temple's Cemetery.



### **Harold Sternberger (1925-2002)**

Harold Sternberger of Tamarac, FL, a member of the JGSGO since 1995, died Wednesday June 5. Harold and his wife, Soni, former residents of Orlando, served on the JGSGO Board as VP's Program in 1997-98.

Harold was another veteran of WWII featured in the Etz Chaim issue #1, Vol. 12, Fall 2001. While living in Brooklyn in late 1942, Harold enlisted in the US Navy. After basic training he was assigned to the Destroyer, U.S.S. Nicholas and saw service as a Torpedoman 3rd class, in the Pacific, specifically in Guadalcanal and the Solomon Islands. (Recognizing his military service, Harold had a folded American flag on his coffin.)

Following his discharge from the Navy in March 1946, Harold used his GI Bill to obtain a degree in August 1950 from Brooklyn College. He also did some graduate work at New York University. His professional work as an industrial engineer was in the electronic industry and computers. He was a Charter Member of the Long Island Chapter of the American Institute of Industrial Engineers.

Among his many accomplishments, Harold was the Coordinator of the MIS (Management Information Systems) team in Nassau County Office of the Executive; Computer Systems Coordinator for the State of New Jersey Budget Office; a lecturer at Hofstra University, and Adjunct Professor at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

For the Etz Chaim article written in mid-year 2001, Harold indicated, "Got married before I finished college to the sweetest woman - Soni Kagan. Our anniversary is on June 19. Soni and I met on a blind date and now we're married 53 years." They have two grown children, Elyn and Wayne.

Funeral Services in Tamarac were conducted by Rabbi William Cohen of Congregation Shalom, Williamsburg.

## References: Preserving Old Photographs

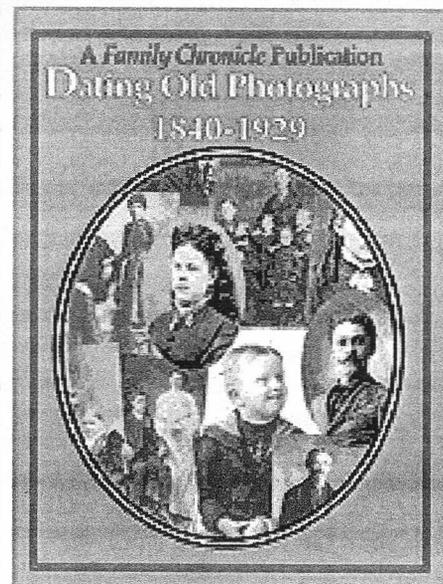
### 1) "An Ounce of Preservation"

In the November/December 1997 issue of Family Chronicle (pages 19-24) there is an article, "An Ounce of Preservation" by Craig Tuttle. It is an extract from Tuttle's book of the same name. In the article, the author explains how to treat deterioration, what are the signs of damage, prevention measures and treatment, framing, lamination, fire and theft, and more.

The \$12.95 book is ISBN 1-56825-021-5 and may be ordered from Rainbow Books, Inc., 1-800-356-9315.

### 2) Family Chronicle's *Dating Old Photographs\**

You've almost certainly faced the problem: you've got an album or box of old photographs but almost all of them lack any identification. Family Chronicle's new special book can't help you identify the subject but it probably can help you with dating when the picture was taken — often within a couple of years. A number of books have already been published that describe how to date old photographs. They rely almost entirely on descriptions: Family Chronicle's book is almost all reproductions of old photographs of known date. There are over 700 pictures covering the period from the 1840s to the 1920s. By comparing your unknown pictures to those in our book, you will be able to compare clothing and hair fashion, the poses adopted by the subject and the background settings. The book provides convincing evidence that our ancestors were at least as fashion conscious as we are today and that those fashions changed just as frequently. has been compiled from a number of sources but the majority of them are photographs submitted by readers of the magazine. Some of Family Chronicle's most popular issues have been those that have included supplements featuring old photographs of known date. We are sure that this new addition to our list of special publications will be a major success. The book cost \$12 US/\$15 CDN including shipping. Check : [www.familychronicle.com](http://www.familychronicle.com) for ordering information. \*(from the Family Chronicle website -[www.familychronicle.com](http://www.familychronicle.com)) June 2002



## JGSGO PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Tuesday, March 12:

### *"Blacksheep on the Family Tree"*

Six members of JGSGO shared interesting stories about the individual in their family who was considered the "blacksheep." He or she was the person no one ever spoke about, but despite the unusual behavior, that person still is part of the genealogy or family tree.



Sim Seckbach described a relative who was involved with disposing King Edward 1st 1326;

Bud Whitehall spoke about a cousin he never knew existed;

Herb Adler described the mysterious death of a family member who was a college student;

Moe Aronson found a bigamist in the family;

Edith Schulman spoke about her great grandfather who defied the Sunday Blue Laws in Nashville when he kept his store open;

Jay Schleichkorn's story related to an uncle who served time in Sing Sing prison after shooting his estranged wife.

As we listened to the stories, most were humorous but at the time the incidents occurred, each event was a serious situation for the family.

To learn more about blacksheep go to the International Blacksheep Society of Genealogists (<http://blacksheep.rootsweb.com/member.html>)

Tuesday, April 9:

### *"Finding Helpful Strangers on the Internet"*

Guest presenter was Paul Enchelmayer of Central Florida's Genealogical Society

With a well prepared "power point" slide presentation, Paul described the many Internet sites one can use to find information. These included message boards, news groups, geocities.com, mailing lists, FAQs, Rootsweb, Ancestry and Family Tree Maker. He gave several examples of how he located family members after searching by name or location. He suggested developing your own website and recommend the publication, "The Idiot's Guideline to Online Genealogy."

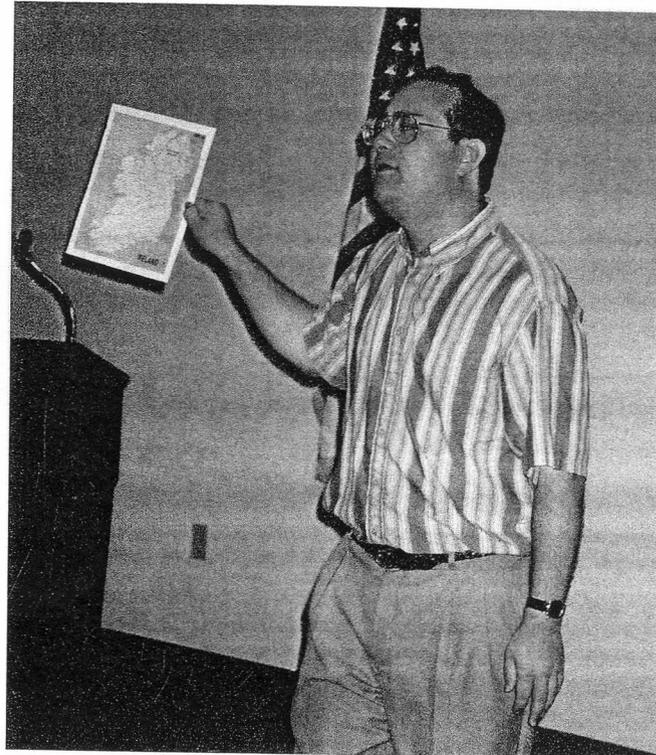
Sunday, May 19:

### *"The Jewish Community of Ireland"*

Guest presenter was Josh Azriel, news reporter at WMFE (NPR) Orlando. The meeting was held in the Seminole County Public Library. Josh was in Ireland to do radio documentary last year on the Jews of Ireland. He spoke of the Jews who came to Ireland from Spain in 1400. In County Cork in 1550, there was a Jewish Mayor. In Dublin there is a Jewish Museum. He visited the Liberal Progressive Synagogue in Belfast. It was built in the 1960s when there were 200 Jews in the city. The Jewish

population has dwindled. Josh indicated the Jews have always been well accepted in Ireland. "No Jew has ever been killed by a mob, a pogrom or due to hatred." On his last visit to Ireland, Josh spent 3 days in Cork, 7 in Dublin and 3 in Belfast. He spoke of the beauty of the landscape and how good the people were to him. Among the few Jewish families, he said they all knew each other. They travel distances to join in festivals such as Chanukah or the High Holidays.

Josh hopes to return to Ireland again. "Where ever I went, I met fine people," he said, "It was an enriching experience for me."



*Josh Azriel displays a map of Ireland at the JGSGO meeting.*

Tuesday, June 9:

### *"Sharing Problems and Successes"*

This was a general meeting in which several members shared their experiences. One of the highlights was information given about the US Census of 1920. The Orange County Library in downtown Orlando has the entire indexed census. This makes finding family members quite simple and the library staff is very helpful.

*"We find out about the past by asking questions about the past."*

Ken Burns, Film and TV Producer on the CNN Greenfield at Large TV, Program, July 18, 2001

## ***SPECIAL WEBSITES and INTERNET TIPS.....***

If you find a website that you believe would be of special interest to JGSGO members, please share the information with the editor and it can be included in a future issue of Etz Chaim. Here's a few interesting examples:

- 1) [http://www.friends-partners.org/partners/beyond the pale/](http://www.friends-partners.org/partners/beyond%20the%20pale/)  
Photos and stories about the history of the Jews in Russia.
- 2) [http://sunsite.berkeley.edu/Jewsof Libya/](http://sunsite.berkeley.edu/JewsofLibya/)  
History and customs of the last Jews of Libya.
- 3) <http://www.thearda.com>  
Quantative data on American religious groups
- 4) <http://nmajh.org/exhibitions/>  
Includes descriptions of exhibitions on subjects such as Creating American Jews and Orthodox Jewish Communities in America.
- 5) <http://www.users.interport.net/~edry/jews.html>  
Shown in both 3D and B&W, features Jewish life in the 50s.
- 6) <http://www.holocaustchronicle.org>  
Offers a series of topics on the origin and aftermath of the Holocaust.

## **BIRTHSTONES AND FLOWERS CHART** *(Check the birthdates of your family members and don't forget an anniversary!)*

MONTH	FLOWER	STONE
January	Carnation	Garnet
February	Violet	Amethyst
March	Jonquil	Aquamarine
April	Sweet pea	Diamond
May	Lily of Valley	Emerald
June	Rose	Pearl
July	Larkspur	Ruby
August	Gladiolus	Peridot
September	Aster	Sapphire
October	Calendula	Opal
November	Chrysanthemum	Topaz
December	Narcissus	Turquoise

**FRIENDS COME AND GO.....  
BUT RELATIVES TEND TO  
ACCUMULATE.**

## **Ancestry Quick Tip**

A good resource for locating information on the ships of our ancestors is, "Passenger Ships Of The World," published by the George H. Dean Company.

The INS Immigration and Passenger List documented my Dad's arrival on the Zeeland in 1905. The library of the Steamship Historical Society of America, Inc. lists two ships named Zeeland - 1865 and 1901, with several dates when the two ships were renamed. After determining which ship was the correct vessel, I ordered a photo of the ship from:

Steamship Historical Society Collection  
University of Baltimore Library, 1420 Maryland Ave  
Baltimore, MD 21201-5779 ph: 410-837-4268  
<http://archives.ubalt.edu/steamship/collect.htm>

Provide them with as much information as you have, i.e., name of the ship, date of sailing, ports of departure and arrival, etc. They will research and respond by advising you of their results and the costs for ordering photos.

Their collection consists of more than 200,000 prints, slides, and negatives. When I placed my order, the fee was \$16 for an 8x10, less for smaller sizes, and more for 11x14.

Thanks to: Sylvia Furshman Nusinov

Source: Ancestry Daily News ([www.ancestry.com/dailynews](http://www.ancestry.com/dailynews))  
4 March 2002

## **COMPUTER ABSURDITY**

I have a spelling checker,  
It came with my PC.  
It plainly marks for my revue  
Mistakes I cannot sea.  
I've run this poem threw it  
I'm sure your pleased to no  
-It's letter-perfect in its weigh,  
My checker tolled me sew.

## **BABY PHOTOS- ID**

1. Howie Gold
2. Mel Kohn
3. Carl Migden
4. Marshall Frenkel
5. Jay Schleichkorn
6. Howard Seligson
7. Arlene Parnes
8. Jack Kornbluh



Have you looked at our new JGSGO web page? Not only does it have the calendar of events and the membership list, but it also has a list of the holdings of our Library. Now you can examine and search the resources before "schlepping" to the Holocaust Center to see if what you are looking for has a chance of being found. If you haven't looked, give it a try at

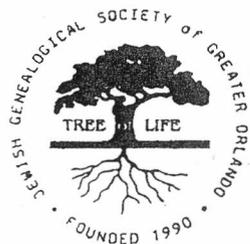
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~fljgscf/index.html> .

Sim Seckbach has done a great job of putting this web page on the internet with a great deal of information available for your perusal.

New acquisitions to the Library include:

Book Hauser, Susan Carol	You Can Write a Memoir 2001
Book Warren, Paula & James	Your Guide to the Family History Library 2001
Book Taylor, Maureen	Uncovering Your Ancestry through Family Family Photographs
Book Carmack, Sharon D	Organizing Your Family History Search 1999
Book Wilson, Richard S. 1999	Publishing Your Family History on the Internet

Herb Adler, JGSGO Librarian-- e-mail: [herbela@adelphia.net](mailto:herbela@adelphia.net) or 407-239-8195



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