

Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston
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present

**Revolutionary War Jews:
Their Genealogy and Contributions to
Colonial and Revolutionary America**

Dr. Joseph L. “Joel” Andrews

Sunday, June 13, 2004

7:00–9:30 PM

Hebrew College, Newton Centre

American Jewish Historical Society Open House at 7:00 in Rae and Joseph Gann Library
followed at 7:30 by Program and JGSGB Annual Meeting in Berenson Hall

Commemorate the 350th anniversary of the 1654 arrival of the first Jews in the future United States with Dr. Joseph L. “Joel” Andrews. Jews settled in the five most tolerant colonial cities of Newport, New York, Philadelphia, Charlestown, and Savannah. Though few in number, Jews, both as soldiers and supporters, contributed disproportionately to the patriotic cause. The American Revolution was one of the first wars since antiquity in which Jews were actively allowed to participate.

Dr. Andrews, now semi-retired, has been on the medical staff of Lahey Clinic, New England Deaconess Hospital, and Harvard and Tufts Medical Schools. Tracing his ancestry to Haym Salomon, the major financier of the Continental Army, and to Col. Isaac Franks and Major Benjamin Nones, officers under General George Washington's command, he is the only Jewish member of the Massachusetts chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Fascinated with history, Dr. Andrews founded and directs the Concord Guides Walking Tours and writes books and articles about the history of the colonial and Revolutionary eras.

Hebrew College is located at 160 Herrick Rd. From Centre Street in Newton Centre, turn east onto Beacon Street, and immediately bear right onto Union Street. Take the first right onto Herrick Road. Near the top of the hill, bear left into the Hebrew College campus.

Admission is free. Refreshments will be served.

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