

Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston

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Lithuanian Vital Records Project

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1:30–4:30 PM

Temple Emanuel, Newton Centre

One of the largest genealogical databases compiled in recent years is the All-Lithuania Database, containing more than half a million records of Litvak ancestors. This talk will describe the continuing efforts to procure, translate, and make available vital records (birth, death, marriage, and divorce), census records, tax and voters lists, candle and box tax lists, etc.

Joel Ratner has been responsible for the LitvakSIG Vital Records Translation Project since 2004. This project's goal is to translate records that the Mormon Church microfilmed as part of its worldwide ancestry endeavors. Joel Ratner was also the Vilna District coordinator for the LitvakSIG Research Group from 1998 to 2006. LitvakSIG can be accessed at <http://www.litvaksig.org>.

Temple Emanuel is at 385 Ward St., Newton Centre. For maps and detailed directions, visit our web page at <http://emanuel.jgsgb.org>.

Admission is free for members, \$5 for non-members.
Refreshments will be served.

Upcoming programs:

- Feb. 1 “Ask the Experts” research session
- Mar. 1 a genealogical film at the Needham public library

The JGSGB is dedicated to helping people research their Jewish family history. It offers monthly educational programs, maintains an extensive collection of research materials, and publishes a journal, *Mass-Pocha*.

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