

Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston

presents

A Cemetery Research Workshop

led by

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Sunday, May 23, 2004 (rain date June 6)

1:00 PM

Grove Street and Centre Street Cemetery Complexes, West Roxbury

This will be a new kind of program, one that combines our usual educational activity with a special project. We will begin by gathering in the Dana Chapel on the grounds of the Adath Jeshurun Cemetery, 350 Grove Street, West Roxbury, where Jane Salk will introduce the history of the Jewish cemeteries of Boston. She will also tell us about the Jewish Cemetery Association of Massachusetts (JCAM) and its growth from managing five cemeteries in Boston to overseeing nearly one hundred throughout the state. The focus will then turn toward preparing us for our project of gathering tombstone data for the JCAM and JewishGen databases. This project will provide us the opportunity to express our gratitude to the members of the genealogical community who have gathered and made available to us such data from other places all over the world.

After Jane Salk's talk, we will take a five-minute drive to the nearby Centre Street Hill Cemetery, where we will help create a map of the grounds and begin photographing and recording data from the tombstones. Those who will participate in the project should wear hiking boots or sturdy shoes, long pants, and a hat. A water bottle is also recommended. Please bring the following items if you have them: pens/pencils, clipboard, digital camera, GPS receiver.

For further information, including maps and driving directions, please visit our web page at <http://cemetery.jgsgb.org/>. If it is raining on May 23—or if there was a lot of rain in the preceding days—the program will be postponed two weeks to June 6. In case there is any doubt, call our telephone on the day of the program for a recorded announcement.

Admission is free

Upcoming Program:

June 13: *Revolutionary War Jews: Their Genealogy and Contributions to Colonial and Revolutionary America* (evening meeting with the American Jewish Historical Society). We will also conduct our brief Annual Meeting with elections.

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston is a nonprofit organization of individuals interested in genealogical research. It conducts monthly educational programs.

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