

# Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston

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## New Lives in a New Land: Migration of Jews from Lithuania to Boston & S. Africa

*Jessica Antoline*

Sunday, February 9, 2014, 1:30 pm  
Temple Emanuel, Newton

Jessica Antoline will briefly recount the story of the migration of Lithuanian Jews in the 19th and 20th centuries and review the circumstances that prompted them to leave the land where they had lived for so many years and travel thousands of miles to new lands. Why did so many settle in Boston and its surrounding communities? What were their motivations, their hopes, and their struggles in *di goldene medine* as they tried to find affordable neighborhoods in which to live, communities of Jews to settle amongst, and employment?

**Jessica Antoline** is Program Manager for the historic Vilna Shul, now Boston's Center for Jewish Culture. She holds degrees in History and Museum Education from Tufts, Religion and Historical Archaeology from BU, and studied eastern European and Jewish history at Univerzita Karlova in Prague. Her career has taken her around the world to research how museums and historic sites facilitate intercultural dialogue and help repair communities after conflict.

**Spotlight Talk: Dr. Arthur Rabson** will give a supplementary talk on *Jewish Migration from Lithuania to South Africa*. Dr. Rabson is a member of the Pathology Department at Tufts Medical Center. He was born in Johannesburg, South Africa, the son of 2nd generation immigrants from the Vilna area of what is now Lithuania.

*Temple Emanuel is at 385 Ward St., Newton Centre, MA.*

*For detailed directions and maps, visit our web page at [www.emanuel.jgsgb.org](http://www.emanuel.jgsgb.org).*

**Admission is free for members, \$5 for non-members.**

**Refreshments will be served.**

✦ ✦ ✦ **!!! 12:30–1:15 pm—Ask the Experts! !!!** ✦ ✦ ✦

JGSGB members, bring your questions about U.S. research and resources and get help and hints from experienced researchers.



**12:30 Poland SIG meeting; Bessarabia SIG not meeting this month.**



### Upcoming programs:

Mar 30 11:00 am & 1:30 pm, Bennett Greenspan, *DNA and Jewish Genealogy*;  
11:00 *Understanding Interpretation & Use of DNA Results*, 1:30 *Haplogroups—What they Are and What They Mean for Jews*; optional catered lunch at 12:30 pm, reservations required.

Apr 20 1:30 pm, ChaeRan Freeze, *Jews & Working Conditions in Tsarist Russia*;  
SPOTLIGHT TALK: Phyllis & Hersch Clopper, *Our Recent ShtetlSeeker Tour to Lithuania*.

✦ Our award-winning course, **Foundations of Jewish Genealogical Research**, will be held Mondays, 7–9 pm, from Feb 3 to Mar 31, 2014, at Hebrew College. For more information and to register, go to [www.course.jgsgb.org](http://www.course.jgsgb.org). ✦

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