

# The Family Sight

News About Our Family Website

### New Side-Menu Help:

Two new, convenient, brief Side-Menu help functions have been added:

QUICK HELP, describes the basic Side & Center Menu functions and gives hints for finding documents. The other help link has hints for successful Registration & Login.

As the site evolves, full Help documents are verified to ensure that they conform to the current site layout and functions.

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### Genealogy Page Additions:

The genealogy/forms/help page (forms, documents and links) is intended to be comprehensive, not overwhelming. In a continuing effort to meet that goal, various new links have been added, including:

- 1) A major one-click search function, free from MyHeritage, that searches nearly 1,400 databases for names.
- 2) The extensive, Jewish-Gen Holocaust Database Search;
- 3) Two links for indexes of virtually every repository or archive of original documents, in the world;
- 4) 3 links to free translators from, or to, English and: Hebrew (words); Polish/Russian (words/ phrases).
- 5) An extensive essay about the origin-history-migration of E. Euro. Jews;

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### Opportunities for Research Collaboration:

On the genealogy help page you can find a more than 24-page list of family search "hits" and many possibilities for research. Anyone who has time to collaborate on our family history research will not find a lack of opportunities within this list.

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### Two New Center Menu Functions:

A dual-function link has been created at the bottom of the center menu: The first function converts Hebrew dates to civil, or the reverse (useful in Jewish genealogy).

The second provides worldwide candle-lighting times. Our family ranges from orthodox to totally secular; this website stresses the origins and "tribal" aspects of the family; and this site avoids both religious dogma, per se, and politics. So, why was such a tool added?

The idea is that, even if every religious aspect of the ceremony is ignored its value

as a way to honor and memorialize our departed parents and ancestors, and bless our children, remains--

*--The primary intent of the ritual.*



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### Involve Your Children:

A great way to involve children with their senior family and family history is by involving them in archiving family recipes. Older offspring can demonstrate their computer skills by taking the text and pictures and assembling everything into a well formatted result.

There is a help document available at the website called, "Let's Cook Up a Family Cookbook" that gives suggestions for appropriate recipes; what should be included; and how to compile and write them up. Contact Bev Lewis Russo or the Webmaster for additional assistance.

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***Email in your important dates & they will appear each month in the home page reminders!***

### More Search Results to Investigate!

The final, available, online database searches have found Phil Chaleff's naturalization and revealed details of the 1933 sailing of the Frank Olenberg family from Bremen to America; the naturalization of unrecognized (Robert) Chaleff in 1951; the deportations of 4 unknown Olenbergs (Abram, Cypa, Izaak, Wolf) from Bialystok to Russia in 1941; 5 Directovich or related burials in Ontario, Canada; the stay of a Yankel Olenberg at the "London Poor Jews Temporary Shelter", in 1902; the 1891 arrival of 5 unknown Chaleff's (Ester, 40, and 4 children) from "Russia"; & many unknown Gilners discovered by other family history researchers.

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***It has been 7 years:  
Remember "9-11"***

### Jewish Records Indexing-Poland

Contact has been made with (JRI-P) to arrange the acquisition of Ostrow-Mazowiecka and Wyszkw records, which pertain to a large part of our family. Investigation continues on the best ways to acquire Lithuanian/Belarus records at the lowest cost, hopefully non-commercially.

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### Poignant New Post:

"Wandering With Their Walking Sticks" has been recently posted on the website, about the wanderings of people, including our family, after the German invasion of their town. Translated by Gloria Olenberg Rapoport and husband Benzion, from the Yizkor Book of Wyszkw, this has rarely been accessible to non-Yiddish-readers since it was published in Tel Aviv, in 1964.

With the permission of the Rapoport, it is being submitted to the Yizkor book's online host with permission for posting it, along with translation credit. Heartfelt thanks are due to both Gloria and Benzion for making this memoir available to the family, and the rest of the world.

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### New Folder: Vanished Family Celebrities

A new photo folder has been added for past, famous family, with a few starts: Eddie Cantor, Isaac Lauria and Judah HaLevi. What famous relatives are we missing? Let us know!



Eddie Cantor, Vaudevillian, & relative

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### Make Us Your Home Page

With a single click you can make our family page your Internet home page. You can also choose our World Portal as "home"--a page with hundreds of the most popular search, reference, email, travel, weather, business and news links right at hand for your convenience.

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***Website Visits Have Exceeded 1,600!***