



JGSGW February Meeting

Sunday, February 4, 2018

Bender JCC,
Rockville, MD

10 AM Workshop
"Researching JRI Poland"

1:00 PM Shmooze and Mavens Table

1:30 PM Meeting
Tentative Title: "The IAJGS 2018 Conference in Warsaw"

10 AM Workshop

In the morning workshop Mark Halpern will review JRI-Poland. Jewish Records Indexing — Poland (JRI-Poland) has created indices/ extractions to more than 5 million Jewish birth, marriage and death records from current and former territories of Poland that are housed in Poland today.

Indices/extractions to vital records over 100-years old are searchable on the [JRI-Poland online database](#).

JRI-Poland can also direct researchers to detailed information on how to find records less than 100-years old from specific towns now in Poland and in the Lviv, Ternopil or Ivano Frankivsk districts of Ukraine.

In addition to vital records, the JRI-Poland online database includes other types of records such as Books of Residents, censuses, army draft lists, school records, cemetery burials, Polish passports, ghetto death records, birth, marriage and death announcements in Polish newspapers and post-war court and legal announcements in official newspapers (Monitor Polski). The data varies widely by town or region.



1:30 PM Meeting

In the afternoon program Mark will describe the planned events for the upcoming IAJGS conference in Warsaw Poland from August 5-10, 2018. Plans include a discussion of the program, available tours, the venues, hotels, and other information to help you decide to go to the conference, or to plan your trip.

Bio: Mark Halpern

Mark Halpern was an international businessman who spent three years in Japan. In retirement, Mark spends his free time working with JRI-Poland, JewishGen, IAJGS, and the JGS of Greater Philadelphia (JGSGP) helping others research their roots in Eastern Europe, especially Poland.

Mark is a Board and Executive Group member of JRI-Poland, the founder of the Bialystok Area Jewish Genealogy Group, and past President and Program Vice President of JGSGP.

Mark has chaired the program committees for the 2009 and 2013 Conferences in Philadelphia and Boston and is a key member of the team for the 2018 IAJGS Conference in Warsaw, Poland.

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