

## SUNDAY • NOVEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

Temple Beth-El • 3610 Dundee Road • Northbrook

*JGSI Meetings are free and open to the public.*

### “RESOURCES FOR JEWISH GENEALOGY IN CHICAGOLAND—*What’s New*” Presented by *Mike Karsen*

12:30 p.m. Research, Internet, and genealogical help from JGSI volunteers.  
Browse our JGSI library, and check out books.

2:00 p.m. “Resources for Jewish Genealogy in Chicagoland—What’s New”



Mike Karsen will deliver his annual update covering various resources available to discover your Jewish roots in Chicagoland. He will include a wide range of records and research resources, including cemeteries, death certificates, death notices/obits, marriage records, birth records, and city directories. How to locate your ancestor’s naturalization records, which are essential for any genealogical researcher, will also be covered along with some uniquely Jewish resources. Today, with so many records available online, you hardly have to leave your home to research your Chicago roots. Case studies will be utilized to demonstrate the research process.

A professional speaker, Mike is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and the Genealogical Speakers Guild, and is a past president of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois. He has presented over 300 talks on genealogy topics locally, nationally, and internationally, including for the Newberry Library and the Spertus Institute for Jewish Learning and Leadership in Chicago. Mike is the author of the JewishGen website “Guide to Jewish Genealogy in Chicagoland” and has published articles on genealogy.



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## Morasha

### *Morasha needs you!*

- If you have ever thought about writing something for *Morasha*, now is your chance!
- Whether you have a long article or short announcement, we are interested in hearing from you.
- Are you looking for relatives from Chicago? Let us know!
- Words of wisdom? Favorite books or websites? Tell us!
- Do you have a success story to share? We would love to hear it!
- Articles with a word count under 1,500 words, a few photos or exhibits in jpeg format, and that mention some information sources are preferred.
- You can pitch your idea or write it and send to [morashaeditor@jgsi.org](mailto:morashaeditor@jgsi.org).

Heartfelt prayers for a Refuah Shlema to the Pittsburgh Jewish community.  
Helpful resources and prayers at  
<https://reformjudaism.org/jewish-resources-coping-acts-terror>