

Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston

presents

Secret Jews from Spain and Portugal: History and Genealogy

Gloria Mound

Sunday, November 16, 2003

1:30–4:30 PM

Wellesley Free Library, Wellesley

What began twenty-five years ago as research on the Secret Jews/Marranos on two Spanish islands has developed into a worldwide project that is discovering and tracing the descendants of Marranos from Spain and Portugal. The original Secret Jews were Jews who were compelled to convert to Christianity first in medieval Spain and then in Portugal. Gloria Mound will lecture on their fascinating history and genealogy.

Gloria Mound is the founder and executive director of *Casa Shalom: Institute for Marrano-Anusim Studies* at Gan Yavneh, Israel, and was an Honorary Research Fellow of the Department of Hispanic Studies at the University of Glasgow. Casa Shalom maintains a unique library and database on previously unknown Jewish communities that is of increasing use to researchers and genealogists. The society also aids many hidden Jews to declare themselves and regain their Jewish heritage.

NOTE: This meeting is being held at the Wellesley Free Library, 530 Washington St. (Rt. 16), Wellesley. It can be reached from Rt. 16 at Exit 21 and from Rt. 9 at the Wellesley Hills exit.

Admission is free.

Refreshments will be served.

Upcoming programs:

- Dec. 7 Bob Friedman: Resources at NY's Center for Jewish History Genealogy Institute
- Dec. 14 Nancy Levin Arbeiter: Beginner's Workshop in Genealogy
- Jan. 18 Brandeis University Library: On-site Tour of Genealogical Resources

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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