

Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Boston

presents

Faith, Family & Freedom in Colonial Jewish Newport, Rhode Island

Keith Stokes

Sunday, September 23, 2007

1:30–4:30 PM

Gann Academy, Waltham

Keith Stokes is a direct descendant of the Touro family of 18th century Newport, Rhode Island after whom the Newport synagogue has been named. He is the executive director of the Newport County Chamber of Commerce, and a native of Newport, Rhode Island. Mr. Stokes is a frequent national, state, and local lecturer in community and regional planning, historic preservation, and interpretation with an expertise in early African and Jewish American history.

The presentations will include images of early Jewish families and historic structures that still exist where they once lived, worked, and worshipped. The presentation will also include images and artifacts from his own family that spans the time from 18th century Newport and Boston through 19th century Richmond, Virginia, and back to Newport in the 20th century.

Directions to Gann Academy: Take Route 128/95 to Exit 28 east. Follow Trapelo Road 2.3 mi. east (toward Belmont) and turn right onto Forest Street. The entrance to Gann Academy is 0.4 mi. further down the road on the left. From the east, take Trapelo Road to Forest St., which is the 3rd street on the left past the National Archives. For maps and detailed directions, visit our web page at gann.jsgsb.org.

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

Refreshments will be served.

Upcoming programs:

- Oct. 14 Henry Wellisch, “The Austro-Hungarian Empire; Conventional and Non-Conventional Resources” (at Gann Academy)
- Nov. 11 Moshe Tessone on Sephardic genealogy
- Dec. 2 Judith Romney Wegner, “Jews Down Under: Tracing My Colonial Ancestors”

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