

# 2020-2021 PROGRAMS

*Mark your calendars and join or renew your membership now to support these great programs!*



## October 18, 2020 – Fort Wayne Jewish Family Day Open House

We plan to begin our season with our second annual “Fort Wayne Jewish Family Day” on the Rifkin Campus. Beginning at noon, we will offer scanners to digitize your photographs, advice on tracing your family history, and more! Come check out our Fort Wayne Jewish Families database, with more than 5,000 past and present members of our community.



## November 15, 2020 – “Sherlock Cohn,” the Photo Genealogist

Ava Cohn, aka Sherlock Cohn, The Photo Genealogist, is an internationally known professional genealogist who specializes in the dating, identification, and interpretation of family photographs and portraits. She is a popular speaker and writer whose articles have appeared in numerous genealogy publications.

### Are We Meeting in Person?

Due to the pandemic, details are fluid. We will undoubtedly be using Zoom to present many of these programs. Some may be both in person and via Zoom. Whether in person or via Zoom, we will do our best to make these programs available to you.

## February 14, 2021 – Mark Halpern, Poland and Galicia



Genealogist Mark Halpern works with JRI-Poland, JewishGen, the IAJGS and others helping others research their roots. He was honored in 2018 with the IAJGS Lifetime Achievement Award. Mark will present two programs: "The Basics of Jewish Research in Poland" and "A Deeper Dive Into Galician Records."



## April 18, 2021 – Wendy Soltz, NE Indiana Synagogues

NEIJGS member, Wendy Soltz, will be presenting a program of “Northeast Indiana Historic Synagogues and Influential Families” in April. Wendy is currently Assistant Professor of History and director of the Public History Program at Ball State University. We’re excited to add some local history and genealogy to our calendar!

## May 2, 2021 – Stephen Morse, One-Step Tools



World-renowned genealogist and computer guru, Stephen P. Morse, is known perhaps equally for his invention of the 8086 computer chip and his genealogy prowess. His two programs will include his “One-Step Website – a Potpourri of Genealogical Search Tools,” and “Searching the 1950 Census with and without a Name Index.”