

The Wedding Photo Dan A. Oren, M.D.

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1:00 PM – Schmooze and Maven Tables

1:30 PM – Program Meeting

The Wedding Photo is a collection of genealogical adventure-hunting stories culminating in meaningful successes. A visit to an abandoned Polish Jewish cemetery in 1993 launches a 20-year search to solve the mystery of "Who is Buried in Sarah's Tomb?" A visit with a cousin unearths a breathtaking photo of a Berlin family wedding from 1926 and leads to discovering their unimaginable post-wedding history. An archivist in Prague discovers a secret uncle whose life takes the reader from the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York to

the Vatican. A memoir by Philip Roth shocks a daughter into unlocking a father's concealed past. In this talk, Dr. Dan Oren will share some of these adventures and his research strategy, as applicable in genealogy as it is in doing historical or scientific research, that open new worlds of understanding.



Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Dan A. Oren, M.D., associate professor of psychiatry (adjunct) at Yale University has worked for thirty years as a psychiatrist and faculty member at Yale and has been Visiting Professor of Physiology at the University of Rzeszów, Poland. He is a former research fellow at the National Institute of Mental Health.

Oren's prior books are: Joining The Club: A History of Jews and Yale and How to Beat Jet Lag: A Practical Guide for Air Travelers. He is author or co-author of numerous scientific articles. His

scientific interest centers on the mechanism of light's antidepressant effects in treating Seasonal Affective Disorder. He is married to artist Jeanette Kuvin Oren, and has two children and one grandchild. He has been tracing his genealogy for more than forty years.