JewishGen and Steve Morse’s website provide the Jewish genealogist with fantastic tools to help with your research. But there is so much more. Ron Aron’s presentation demonstrated other "best bet" websites that allow you to find many other materials online, including historical documents, newspapers and articles, living people, maps and photos, foreign language translators and aids, and more. Ron provided numerous examples of how the Internet has worked for him.

Ron provided a list of the websites he demonstrated and more websites he has used. This list is copied below.

Ron spent a good deal of his time explaining how to find both living and deceased people. Ron used an example from his experience to humorously demonstrate finding himself. Ron read an article about some very sophisticated technology that he thought the US Armed Forces could apply in Iraq. He wrote to (former) Defense Secretary Rumsfeld about this technology and signed his email indicating he was a Princeton University graduate just like Secretary Rumsfeld. In response, he received an email from a Rumsfeld staffer asking for Ron’s mailing address. Ron used many websites cited in his list to track himself down. Ron wondered why a sophisticated organization like the Defense Department could not use Internet tools available to all of us to find him.
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Genealogy Tutorials & Link Sites
www.cyndislist.com
www.jewishgen.org (FAQs)
www.familysearch.org (Research Guides)
www.ancestry.com
www.genealogy.com
www.myheritage.com

US Federal & NY Censuses
HeritageQuest via NYGBS (www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org)
www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org
www.ancestry.com
www.stevemorse.org
www.familysearch.org

Immigration & Naturalization
www.stevemorse.org (NY, Phil, Boston, Baltimore, Galveston, Philadelphia, San Francisco Passenger Lists)
www.stevemorse.org (NYC Naturalizations)
www.hamburg.de (Hamburg Passenger Ship Lists)
www.schiffslisten.de (Bremen Passenger Ship Lists)
www.genealogy.com (Russians to America)

Old City Directories
www.uscitydirectories.com
www.GRAonline.com

Records in the Old Country
www.jewishgen.org
www.rtrfoundation.org (Miriam Weiner’s site)
http://www.archiwa.gov.pl (Polish State Archives)

Newspapers
www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org (NY Times via ProQuest)
www.godfrey.org (NY Times, LA Times, Chicago Tribune, Wash Post, Miami Herald, Boston Herald, Atlanta Constitution via Proquest)
www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org (Brooklyn Daily Eagle)
http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/nysnp/ (New York State History Project)
www.NewspaperArchive.com (via Godfrey Library)
www.ObitsArchive.com ($$$)
NewsBank Obits (via Godfrey Library)
www.ancestry.com
www.loc.gov
www.nypl.org
People Finders
www.infospace.com
www.intelius.com
www.knowx.com
www.ussearch.com
www.people-finders.ws
www.zabasearch.com
www.lookupusa.com
www.findusa.com (No longer available via Godfrey Library)
www.teldir.com (Int’l telephone directories)
www.NumberWay.com (Int’l telephone directories)
www.192.com (UK telephone numbers & voter registration list)

Professional Directories
- Attorneys:
  o www.martindale.com
  o www.findlaw.com
  o www.searchsystems.net (Links to state Bar associations)
  o State client protection fund websites
- Doctors:
  o http://webapps.ama-assn.org/doctorfinder/ (AMA website)
  o www.healthgrades.com
  o State medical boards
- Dentists:
  o http://www.ada.org/public/directory/index.asp
  o www.doctoroogle.com
- Stockbrokers:
  o www.nasd.com
- Other Professions & Trades:
  o www.searchsystems.net

Other People Finders:
www.classmates.com
www.weddingchannel.com
www.stevemorse.org (finding couples)

Current Maps, Directions, Photos
www.mapquest.com
maps.google.com
maps.yahoo.com
www.expedia.com
http://gis.nyc.gov/doitt/mp/Portal.do (NYC Map Portal)
www.hopstop.com (subway & bus directions for NYC, elsewhere)
www.multimap.com (Int’l)
Earth.google.com
Local.live.com (Microsoft’s new worldwide mapping facility)
images.google.com
www.loc.gov
www.traffic.com
www.propertyshark.com
Old Maps & Photos
www.feehfs.org
www.bklyn-genealog-info.com
www.avotaynu.com/maps.htm
www.avotaynu.com/postcards
www.generationspress.com
www.alangodfreymaps.co.uk
sanborn.umi.com
www.oldyorklibrary.org (Postcards with photos of old New York)
www.davidrumsey.com

Languages & Translation Aids
Babelfish.altavista.com
www.YourDictionary.com (Links for many languages)
www.leo.org English ↔ German
www.poltran.com
www.translate.ru
www.ectaco.com/online-dictionary/ (Yiddish, many other languages)
www.yiddishdictionaryonline.com
www.stevemorse.org
JewishGen’s ViewMate facility

Finding Books (Old & New)
www.bookfinder.com
www.alibris.com
www.bibliofind.com
www.abebooks.com

Other:
www.ebay.com
www.google.com
www.grokker.com (Graphical representation of Yahoo search results)
http://jnul.huji.ac.il/rambi/ (RAMBI – Index of articles on Jewish studies)
www.frappr.com (Building your own family community online)