

Press Release

Jewish Genealogical Society of the Conejo Valley and Ventura County* (JGSCV) (*and surrounding areas)

The JGSCV will hold a general meeting, co-sponsored with Temple Adat Elohim, on Sunday, May 1, 2016 at Temple Adat Elohim 2420 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Annual Holocaust Memorial Day (Yom Hashoah) Commemoration



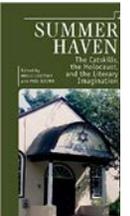
The Topic:

Creating New Witnesses to the Holocaust: Teaching the Holocaust Locally, Globally and Virtually

Dr. Levitsky will talk on how the Holocaust was experienced in the Jewish Catskills vacation areas and why she wrote a book about it; why the Shoah continues to be so important, and how the Shoah is being made relevant to the next generations. She will focus on the importance of teaching the Holocaust to new generations and how to make it relevant in a globalized, digitally connected world. Dr. Levitsky is the Co-editor of: *Summer Haven: The Catskills, the Holocaust, and the Literary Imagination (Jews of Russia & Eastern Europe and Their Legacy)*. Book purchasing opportunity.

(The book is a collection of writings that investigates the stories and struggles of survivors in the context of the Jewish resort culture of the Catskills through new and existing works of fiction and memoir by writers who spent their youths there.)

Speaker: Holli Levitsky, Ph.D. Dr. Levitsky is the Director of Jewish Studies and professor of English at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles. Her research and scholarship focus on Holocaust representation and questions of (Jewish) identity, especially as it relates to exile and displacement. Levitsky has been a Fellow at the Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and a Fulbright Distinguished Chair in American Literature in Poland.



There is no charge to attend the meeting. Anyone may join JGSCV. Annual dues are \$25 for an individual and \$30 for a family. The meeting is open to the public.

The Jewish Genealogical Society of the Conejo Valley and Ventura County is dedicated to sharing genealogical information, techniques and research tools with anyone interested in genealogy and family history.

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