

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

The Jewish Genealogical Society of the Conejo Valley and Ventura County (JGSCV) will hold a **Zoom** meeting, Sunday, November 7, 2021 1:30-3:30 p.m. Open only to JGSCV members (see below for membership app). Ask the Experts/Schmoozing Corner begins at 1:10 PM **Zoom link will be emailed to members a few days before the meeting.**



## The Program: Finding Information to Support Family Stories of Holocaust Survivors and Victims



Many of us have stories about our family who remained behind in Europe and elsewhere who were murdered or survived the Shoah. Some stories are about people who survived and who started new lives. Often the stories are about someone we never met, and who the teller of the story also never met. They may start with something like "my grandmother said that one of her brothers survived and resettled somewhere but we never heard from him after that." Other stories reveal memories of mysterious letters arriving decades after the war from unidentified people. The recipients of the letters wouldn't talk about the people who sent them. How do we find out about these people? Are there resources we can investigate which have information about their lives? Did they have descendants? Silverman will focus on several stories of people who survived the Shoah and finding their stories.

**Speaker: Janette Silverman** Dr. Janette Silverman is a professional genealogist, heading a team of researchers specializing in Eastern European and Jewish research at AncestryProGenealogists® the division of Ancestry® that does private client research. Her research on behalf of clients takes her all over the U.S. and Europe. Silverman holds a Doctorate in Jewish Studies from Spertus Institute. Her dissertation, "In Living Memory" explored her family's journey from Europe to the U.S. from the 1880s to the 1920s, contextualizing their experiences.

There is no charge to attend the meeting. Anyone may join JGSCV. Annual dues are \$30 for an individual and \$35 for a family. Anyone may join JGSCV <https://www.jgscv.org/pdf/membership%20application.pdf>

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