

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 and located at Temple Adat Elohim, on

Sunday, June 2, 2013 1:30 p.m-3:30 p.m

2420 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362



The Program:

Łódź: Manchester of Poland

In the 19th Century, Łódź grew from a small village to the second largest city in Poland. Jews migrated to Łódź from small villages and towns to work in the textile industry. Jews were a significant presence in the history and

Łódź development of Łódź through the time of the Holocaust. This lecture will explore the many resources available through JewishGen, JRI Poland, and other sources to document this history. Many records exist from the early 1800s through the Holocaust period. The Łódź ghetto is probably the most extensively documented ghetto. The Łódź cemetery, which still stands, is one of the largest Jewish cemeteries in Europe.



Speaker: Debra Kay-Blatt has been searching her family history for fifteen years. She has lectured at the IAJGS Conferences in Salt Lake City, Chicago, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Washington DC, and Paris. She is a founding member of and is on the Board of the JGSCV. She has published in the *Kielce-Radom Special Interest Group Journal*, and has been a volunteer for JewishGen, JRI-Poland, and the Łódź Area Research Group.

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 Jewish genealogy and family history.

There is no charge to attend the meeting. Anyone may join JGSCV. Annual dues are \$25 for an individual and \$30 for a family. Dues paid good through December 2013.

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