

Press Release

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 general meeting, co-sponsored with Temple Adat Elohim on Sunday, April 8, 2018 at Temple Adat Elohim 2420 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, 91362 1:30-3:30 p.m. This program is our annual Yom Hashoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day) program. The actual date of Yom Hashoah is April 12, 2018.



The Program

Survivor Celina Biniáz: The Youngest of Schindler's Jews



Celina Biniáz, now living in Camarillo, was the youngest female on "Schindler's List." A native of Krakow, Poland, she spent the War years in the Krakow Ghetto, the Plaszow Concentration Camp, Auschwitz, and Oskar Schindler's munitions factory in Czechoslovakia. She was liberated by the Russians in 1945 from the Gross Rosen concentration camp and spent the next two years in Germany as a displaced person. She and her parents were sponsored to come to America in 1947. Her testimony appears in "Voices from the List," part of the Schindler's List DVD.

"I always tell Steven Spielberg (director of Schindler's List) that he gave me a voice," she said. "I say, 'You are my second Schindler. He gave me life, but you gave me a voice. Because for 40 years, I never was able to talk about it because I didn't think that anybody would understand.' " Celina will make a presentation on her wartime experiences and answer questions from the audience.

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.

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