

## 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, June 3, 2018 at Temple Adat Elohim 2420 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks, 91362 1:30-3:30 p.m.



## The Program

### The Other Side of Jewish Genealogy: Sephardic Resources



Just a few years ago, researchers of Sephardic genealogy were out of luck. However, thanks to the internet, the Sephardic genealogy world has increased exponentially every year. Where once there was nothing, today we have many websites, new books, increased library holdings, conferences, accessible archival records from the comfort of our homes, and increasingly important DNA projects that focus on this field. Included in this presentation will be numerous archival documents, and many examples of online resources that simply did not exist in the recent past.

**Speaker: Schelly Talalay Dardashti** Native New Yorker Dardashti resides in New Mexico, after having lived with her family in Teheran, Miami, Los Angeles, Las Vegas, and Tel Aviv. For some 30 years, she has traced her Ashkenazi, Sephardi and Mizrahi families across Iran, Spain, Russia, Belarus, Lithuania, and Ukraine. A journalist and genealogist, she was the genealogy columnist for the Jerusalem Post created the award-winning Tracing the Tribe - The Jewish Genealogy Blog (since 2006), and founded the Facebook group "Tracing the Tribe - Jewish Genealogy on Facebook," with some 20,000 global members. She is the US Genealogy Advisor for MyHeritage.com and co-admins several DNA projects a FamilyTree DNA.

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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