

ACLS READS

PATHWAYS TO HISTORY: REMEMBERING RESCUE & RESISTANCE DURING WORLD WAR II

MAIN BOOK: *ONCE MY NAME WAS SARA* BY BETTY GREBENSCHIKOFF

BRIGANTINE BRANCH: 201 15th Street South, 266-0110

September 12-November 30

Open to all.

Check out a copy of *Once My Name Was Sara* & borrow other items from our Holocaust collection of books & movies.

View the Holocaust Memorial at 15th Street entrance, as well as the Memorial donors' plaque.

Peruse the scrapbook commemorating the Memorial's dedication.

EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP BRANCH: 1 Swift Avenue, 927-8664

Book Discussion

Thursday, September 8, 6:30 pm

Open to adults.

Read & discuss *Once My Name Was Sara*, a Holocaust memoir by a local survivor, Betty Grebenschikoff.

The Church's Response to the Holocaust: Compliance, Resistance, Ignorance

Tuesday, September 27, 6:30 pm

Open to adults & teens.

In response to the passage of the discriminatory laws on April 7, 1933, pastor-theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote an essay titled "The Church and the Jewish Question" to challenge his colleagues to act at a time when few dared to speak out against the Nazis.

Bonhoeffer makes the Jewish question a Christian church question.

Bonhoeffer's voice of resistance & opposition was finally silenced twelve years later at the Flossenburg gallows.

He became one of the last to die for having dared to resist Nazi evil.

Using Bonhoeffer's writings, Reverend Jeffrey H. Rickards presents a talk examining the German Christian churches' response to the persecution & execution of the Jewish people.

The three responses under investigation are compliance, resistance, and ignorance.

Learning from The Milgram Experiments

Tuesday, October 25, 6:30 pm

Open to adults & teens.

Licensed forensic psychologist & Stockton University Professor John White talks on the Milgram experiments & what we can learn from them to prevent and resist future atrocities like the Holocaust.

The Milgram experiments were conducted by psychologist Stanley Milgram in 1961 in the shadow of Nazi war criminal Adolph Eichmann's trial.

Milgram sought to measure levels of obedience to authority when participants were instructed to perform acts that violated their consciences.

GALLOWAY TOWNSHIP BRANCH: 306 East Jimmie Leeds Road, 652-2352

Meet Holocaust Survivor & Author: Sonia Kaplan, Author of *My Endless War...and My Shattered Dreams*

Thursday, October 13, 6:30-8 pm

Open to adults & teens.

Holocaust survivor & author Sonia Kaplan provides an inspiring presentation of her life story— one of determination, endurance & resilience.

Meet Sonia and reflect on her struggle to survive and her journey to freedom.

Light refreshments & book signing follows the presentation.

HAMMONTON BRANCH: 451 South Egg Harbor Road, 561-2264

Book Club for Adults

Wednesday, September 21, 6-8 pm

Suggested for ages 18 & older. Registration requested.

Read & discuss *Once My Name Was Sara*, a Holocaust memoir by a local survivor, Betty Grebenschikoff.

Remembering Children Who Resisted & Survived World War II

Thursday, September 29, 1-3 pm


Suggested for ages 18 & older. Registration requested.

Pathways to History: Remembering Rescue and Resistance during World War II presented by Gail Rosenthal of the Sara & Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center at Stockton University.

Join us to hear the life story of a Holocaust survivor.

Refreshments.





LONGPORT BRANCH: 2305 Atlantic Avenue, 487-0272

World War II on the Homefront

November 7-12

Open to all.

A week long remembrance of World War II's impact here at home.
From civilian defense to victory gardens, WW II impacted every aspect of American life.
Displays & exhibits celebrate our soldiers & those who supported them at home.

MAYS LANDING BRANCH: 40 Farragut Avenue, 625-2776

Once My Name Was Sara

Tuesday, September 13, 6-8 pm

Open to all. Registration requested.

Holocaust survivor Betty Grebenschikoff shares her experiences & discusses her memoir, *Once My Name Was Sara*.
Refreshments.

Always Remember. Never Forget

Wednesday, November 9, 3:30-5 pm

Open to high school students & older.

Registration requested. Call the Reference Center to register.
Former Oakcrest High School teacher & current Stockton University professor Douglas Cervi
discusses the liberation of the concentration camps by veterans.

PLEASANTVILLE BRANCH: 33 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue, 641-1778

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SOMERS POINT BRANCH: 801 Shore Road, 927-7113

Author Visit

Tuesday, November 15, 6-8 pm

Open to adults.

Ruth Kessler, local author of *The Blue Vase: A Memoir of a Vienna Kindertransport Child*,
speaks about her book & her experience on the Kindertransport.
Refreshments.

VENTNOR BRANCH: 6500 Atlantic Avenue, 823-4614

Remembering a Righteous Country, Denmark—Rescue & Resistance During WW II

Wednesday, September 14, 12-2pm

Open to adults. Registration requested.

A Lunch & Learn event with Stockton University.

Join Sara & Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center presenters Gail Rosenthal & Dr. Michael Hayse to
celebrate the strength & courage of humanity by learning about the Danish response to the Holocaust.
Lunch provided.

The Power of Story: Holocaust Survivors & Their Memoirs

Monday, September 19, 1-3 pm

Open to adults. Registration requested.

Celebrate the stories of Holocaust survivors.

Includes a PowerPoint presentation & personal testimonies by local authors &
Holocaust survivors Rosalie Simon & Ruth Kessler.

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