

**CVHEN HOLOCAUST
LIBRARY AND RESOURCE
CENTER HOURS:**

SUNDAY: 9:00 - 1:00
WEDNESDAY: 1:00 - 6:00
THURSDAY: 10:00 - 1:00

Or by appointment,
Email: liz@cvhen.com



CVHEN Outreach to CSUS Teachers
74 prospective teachers are introduced to Holocaust education by CVHEN

TEICHERT FOUNDATION \$3,000.00 GRANT

The Teichert Foundation supports CVHEN 's mission to bring meaningful Holocaust education to our community. Their \$3,000 grant will help fund the following programs:

- **CVHEN Fellows**
*Fellows are committed teachers who study and develop resources for implementing Holocaust curriculum.
- **Path to CVHEN Library**
*A direct path will be added to provide easy accessibility to the CVHEN Holocaust Library (the only of its kind in Central California).



CVHEN Presentation California Council for the Social Studies (CCSS) 58th Annual Conference

In March of 2019, Fellows Dawniell Black and Jody Cooperman as well as CVHEN President Liz Igra presented a workshop at the CCSS conference in San Jose, California, to teachers of Social Studies from all over the state. There were approximately 30 teachers from middle school to high school who came to learn strategies for laying the foundation of history in teaching about the Holocaust.

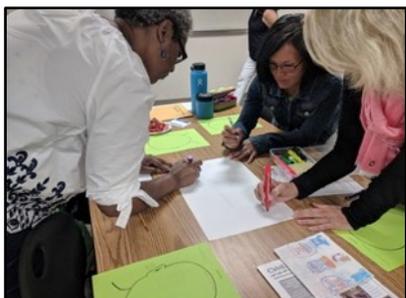



CVHEN Presents Teacher Workshops

CVHEN is unique in our approach to teaching Holocaust education, focusing not only on the event itself, but also on providing teachers with skills to think critically and engage interactively with the social and political complexities that make genocide possible. This unique context-based approach has led to great interest in our work in the educational and broader community.

CVHEN Outreach to Teachers

Lodi Unified School District and Elk Grove Unified School District



**ELK GROVE
TEACHERS
WORKING
TOGETHER**



**LODI TEACHERS
WORKING
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CVHEN fellows, Jody Cooperman and Dawniell Black, and CVHEN President, Liz Igra, provided a full day summer workshop focused on the theme, “The Danger of a Single Story: The Importance of Multiple Perspectives,” for teachers in the Elk Grove Unified School District. Teacher workshops in Lodi focused on the important question “How was it possible for a highly industrial, cultured democracy to perpetrate these crimes?” Trainings included a call to action as participants viewed a portion of the TED Talk: *Behind the Lies of Holocaust Denial* by Deborah Lipstadt who stated, **“Truth and fact are under assault. The job ahead of us, the task ahead of us, the challenge ahead of us is great. The time to fight is short. We must act now. Later will be too late.”**

Workshop feedback is overwhelmingly positive for increasing participant’s knowledge in the Holocaust and providing practical, valuable information and useful resources.

Teacher Responses:

“I am a grandson of a Holocaust survivor. I would love to learn how to research his story. Thank you for all the work that you do. Curriculum doesn't always realize how imperative it is to teach the Holocaust and how relevant it still is.”

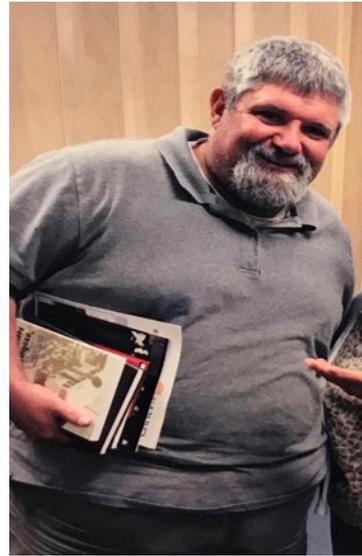
“I have never been more moved during a workshop. Thank you very much for bringing the information to a whole new level.”

Introducing Our Newest CVHEN Fellows!



KAREN BURNAT

Karen Burnat has been a teacher in the Elk Grove Unified School District for 27 years. She participated in the International Summer Academy and the International Summer Academy for Graduates at Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum, the Belzec Museum and Memorial, the State Museum of Majdanek and other important sites in Poland. She continues to do research for the Belzec Museum and Memorial. Karen's goal is to advocate for mandatory Holocaust education in public schools.



MICHAEL BARADAT

Michael Baradat has been a teacher with SCUSD for 21 years and is currently an 8th grade Language Arts and U.S. History teacher at Sutter Middle School. Michael has been involved in numerous organizations to promote teacher skills. He attended workshops presented by the UC Davis History Project, US Holocaust Memorial Museum, Museum of Tolerance and CVHEN. He is excited to join as a fellow to strengthen his own learning and work with other educators with similar passions.

**Michael and Karen will be joining our veteran fellows
Jody Cooperman, Amy Heno and Dawniell Black.**



Who We Are

We envision a world in which diverse peoples live together in peace. We believe that effectively teaching children about tolerance and human rights, the Holocaust, and other genocides will help them recognize the conditions under which genocides arise and how to make wise moral choices when they grow up. We work with teachers of elementary through high school grades throughout the Central Valley.

Our Mission

The Central Valley Holocaust Educators- Network is dedicated to supporting teachers in effectively implementing a Holocaust curriculum that meets California Social Studies and Language Arts Standards. With an understanding of the constraints that teachers face, we help them respond to a variety of challenges that this complex curriculum presents. We offer ongoing follow-up training and resources that build upon the foundation laid by acclaimed programs that offer Holocaust education seminars.

CVHEN Presidents Message

This year we fulfilled a long-standing goal to collaborate with the Education Department at CSUS. CVHEN had the opportunity to set the foundation for Holocaust learning. These future teachers learned the importance of implementing Holocaust history and how to overcome some common classroom obstacles. We showcased the depth of possibilities using a variety of historical materials to create rich social, emotional, moral and civic learning. Participants are now connected to the broader CVHEN network, which will help them deepen their learning and work with other teachers to face the pedagogical challenges that may arise in real time.



Liz Igra, President of the
Central Valley Holocaust
Educators' Network

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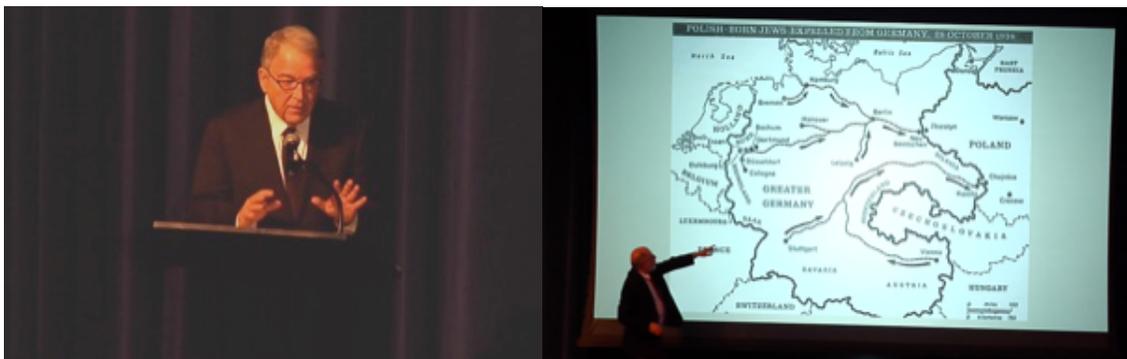
Over 300 people have visited our library: teachers, students, members of the 2nd Gen. community, as well as others who wish to trace their roots. Patrons find valuable resources including a collection of archived documents and donated artifacts. The library is an ideal space for teachers to collaborate on lessons and for 2nd Gen members to further contextualize their family histories. We are now developing a core of translators to provide access to documents.



Community Outreach

→Kristallnacht

CVHEN's annual Kristallnacht program goes beyond the remembrance of the event, "The Night of the Broken Glass," to illuminate the path to the Holocaust as experienced by survivors, victims, documented by perpetrators and analyzed by scholars. In 2018, Ralph Propper, member of 2nd Gen shared his parent's experiences in Germany before the war and their subsequent escape. Carry Cohn shared her own experience prior to Kristallnacht, the challenges of her escape and the fate of her family. The keynote speaker, Justice Fybel, was introduced by Retired Justice Nicholson of the 3rd District Court of Appeals. Justice Fybel spoke about the role of the judiciary during the Holocaust and his family's experience.



Mark your calendars: November 10, 2019

CVHEN **Kristallnacht Remembrance** will be held at *The Center* 2300 Sierra Boulevard from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. This event is open to the whole community.

→CVHEN moderates plays, films, book groups and other discussions related to the Holocaust



Fellows Michael Baradat and Jody Cooperman facilitated a discussion with the audience, including students and teachers after the showing of [The Samuel Project](#) at the Sacramento Jewish Film Festival on March 15, 2019.

→**Sacramento History Day** sponsored by the Center for Sacramento History and the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE)

CVHEN awarded high school and middle school students with an award for their projects related to the Holocaust. CVHEN fellow Jody Cooperman judged the projects. We look forward to continue our partnership with these community sponsors.

2nd Gen speaker presentations over the past few months.

Caren Rubin and Carolyn Brown - Sutter Middle School, Sacramento

Judie Panneton - Sutter Middle School

Frank Gumpert and Sydney Guttman - Bet Haverim in Davis

Carolyn Brown and Judie Panneton - El Camino High School, Carmichael

Maria Winkler and Caren Rubin - Sutter Middle School

Danielle Hess - Union Mine High School in El Dorado Hills

Diane Weber - Core Butte Charter School in Chico

Carolyn Brown - Inderkum High School

Judie Panneton - New Castle

Sy Karfiol - Shalom Social Group in Lincoln

Liz Iga - Free Masons

Elaine Berghausen - 2nd Gen group, German-American Cultural Society, B'nai Israel Adult Education, Sacramento Jewish Genealogy Society

2G **Descendants of Holocaust Survivors**

CVHEN 2nd Gen Group has thrived since 2014 under the leadership of Maria Winkler and David Komar. Members of the 2nd Gen group are descendants of Holocaust survivors, spouses, and others affected by the Holocaust, who care about keeping the stories of survivors and the Holocaust alive and relevant. The group meets monthly at the CVHEN library for camaraderie, speakers, lively discussion, and community outreach.

The 2nd Gen group has been busy working on their families' stories so they can present their parents' stories to highlight Holocaust history throughout Northern California. Teachers and other groups can request a speaker by emailing Amy Heno at amy.heno@sanjuan.edu.

The 2G group meetings are held on the second Sunday of each month.

Contact 2G group co-coordinators Maria Winkler (mpwinkler@yahoo.com) or Diane Weber (oobliett@hotmail.com) for more information.

Elaine Berghausen's Presentation to CVHEN 2G Group

Elaine spoke to the CVHEN 2G group in February 2019 about her father's story, which she meticulously researched for three years. She has also spoken at the German-American Cultural Society, the Sacramento Jewish Genealogy Society and Congregation B'nai Israel Adult Education program.

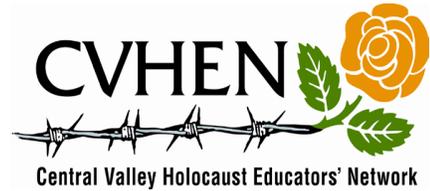


NEED SOMEONE TO SPEAK TO YOUR GROUP?

The Jewish community gets many requests from various groups, including schools, to provide Holocaust survivors who can speak about their experiences. As the number of survivors dwindles, CVHEN has also established a speakers' bureau of adult children of Holocaust survivors to give voice to their parents' personal experiences.

The **CVHEN 2nd Gen Speakers Bureau** works with adult children of Holocaust survivors to help them put their parents' experiences in historical context for students and civic groups, adjust their presentations for different audiences, and permanently organize their parents' stories, photographs, letters, testimony and documents.

For more information about past presentations, go to <http://www.cvhen.com>. To arrange for a speaker, Amy Heno at amy.heno@sanjuan.edu.



Community Events

Promoting Holocaust remembrance through knowledge and understanding.

Teacher Training Workshops

Offering support and resources for effective Holocaust curriculum.

Second Generation Group

Empowering and encouraging 2nd Gen participation in community Holocaust education and remembrances.

Speaker Training

Preparing speakers to present family stories effectively and in historical context.

Holocaust Library and Resource Center

Open to the public.

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For more information, visit www.cvhen.com



Joshua Frost, member of the CVHEN 2nd Gen speakers' group, will be the featured speaker at 2019 Yom Hashoah Remembrance.