Learn About HIAS Reconnecting Lost Family
Jewish Genealogical Society
of the Conejo Valley and Ventura County*
(* and surrounding areas)
Wednesday, November 15, 7:30-9:30 p.m.*
at Temple Adat Elohim,
2420 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks
* different day of week and time for this month only

Genealogist As Detective:
Solving Mysteries Using HIAS Case Files

Valery Bazarov, Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS)—Location and Family History Service, will speak on HIAS activity from the first flood of the Eastern European Jews in the 1880s, to rescuing the last Jews of Iraq during the recent conflict—HIAS has been instrumental in bringing about four million Jews to the US. The discussion includes bringing thousands of Jews displaced after WWII, and the massive exodus of Soviet Jewry in the 1970s. By using case studies, with the help of archival documents, Valery will discuss the scope of HIAS and YIVO archives "where to go for what" and that reconnecting with family past becomes possible.

Valery is a Russian émigré, coming to the US in 1988, the same year he joined HIAS, currently responsible for the HIAS Location and Family History Service,. Over the next decade, he assisted with the arrival of more than 200,000 Jewish refugees who came to the United States under HIAS auspices. Valery is helping immigrants of different generations to find family members and friends - often in other countries - whom they lost contact with over the years, sometimes, decades.

Meeting co-sponsored with Temple Adat Elohim
There is no charge to attend.
All are welcome to join the JGSCV.

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