Come to the Jewish Genealogical Society of the Conejo Valley and Ventura County* (* and surrounding areas) Celebrate our 4th Anniversary!

Sunday, August 30, 2009 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at Temple Adat Elohim 2420 E. Hillcrest Drive, Thousand Oaks

"Jewish Given Names"

Learn why "Mordechai Yehuda" is also "Mortka Leib" is also "Max". An introduction to Jewish given names (first names), focusing on practical issues for genealogical research. Our ancestors each had many different given names and nicknames, in various languages and alphabets--this can make Jewish genealogical research difficult. This presentation will teach you about the history and patterns of Jewish first names, and how to recognize your ancestors' names in genealogical sources.

Speaker: Warren Blatt, Managing Director, JewishGen (www.Jewishgen.org) an affiliate of the Museum of Jewish Heritage and founding member and board member of JGSCV. He is the author of Resources for Jewish Genealogy in the Boston Area; and co-author (with Gary Mokotoff) of Getting Started in Jewish Genealogy.

Also: Be entertained by the Klutzmer Band (no, not Klezmer), playing Eastern European music.

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.

Meeting co-sponsored with Temple Adat Elohim

There is no charge to attend the meeting. Anyone may join JGSCV.

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