

New Jersey's Chief Justice Stuart Rabner to Highlight "Relevance of Remembrance" Program at Stockton

Holocaust Resource Center and William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy Set Event for Oct. 7th

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Galloway Township, NJ- Stuart Rabner, New Jersey's Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the son of Holocaust survivors, will interview local survivors at a unique program at Stockton College. "The Relevance of Remembrance," the latest in the William J. Hughes Lecture Series, will take place at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 7, 2009 at Alton Auditorium (A-Wing) on the main Stockton campus in Galloway Township.

"Hearing the first-hand testimonies of Holocaust survivors is both an excellent learning experience for students and a critical means of preserving history," said Jan Colijn, Dean of General Studies. "These survivors leave us with two lessons: Genocide is hell, yet their survival personifies the resilience of the human spirit in the most dire of circumstances."

The event is sponsored by the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at Stockton in conjunction with the College's Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center.

Justice Rabner was appointed to the NJ Supreme Court in 2007 after serving as Attorney General under Governor Jon Corzine. He is a graduate of Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. He is a cum laude graduate of Harvard University Law School.

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The William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey serves as a catalyst for research, analysis and innovative policy solutions on the economic, social and cultural issues facing southern New Jersey. The Center serves as a forum for public discussion of policy issues so as to engage both citizens and policy makers, frames policy issues in a manner that encourages broader civic engagement and strengthens the voice of southern New Jersey in the public debate.

A joint project of Stockton and the Jewish Federation of Atlantic and Cape May Counties, the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center was originally dedicated on October 2, 1990. In 2009, it was re-named in honor of local survivors Sara and Sam Schoffer. It serves as a resource for the study of the Holocaust and its significance for the past, present and future, and conducts teacher training in Holocaust and genocide education.

There is limited space for this event, which is free and open to the public. Please RSVP by calling (609) 626-3542 or visiting <u>hughescenter@stockton.edu</u>.

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