

Stockton Graduate to Give Nov. 4 Presentation On 'Spiritual Resistance during the Holocaust'

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Galloway, N.J. - Zoey Guarino, a resident of Manahawkin and 2016 graduate of Stockton University's Master's in Holocaust and Genocide Studies program, on **Friday, Nov. 4** will discuss a variety of tactics used by Jewish victims to resist during the Holocaust, including using spiritual resistance to shield their children and families.

The free event will be held beginning at noon at the university's site at 712 E. Bay Ave., Manahawkin, N.J., where a light lunch will be provided.

Guarino's thesis was titled "Preservation of the Jewish Self: The Resistance Spectrum and the Holocaust," and her talk will revolve around the actions family members, children, friends, and even strangers took during their final moments of life to express their humanity, their will to live, or a will to 'die with dignity.' Such actions included consoling a young infant or mortally wounded individual prior to death, or assisting disabled and elderly victims prior to being killed, she said.

Guarino, who has lived in Manahawkin for over 16 years, worked as a seasonal specialist for the Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center at Stockton University during the summer of 2016. She will be teaching the first undergraduate level course on the Armenian Genocide at Stockton in the spring of 2017.

She currently works as a docent at "Drawing Against Oblivion," an exhibition of portraits of slain siblings of Holocaust survivors, being shown at Stockton's Galloway campus Art Gallery until Nov. 13. She also works part-time as a sales associate and assistant buyer at Sedona East LLC in Beach Haven.

Call 609-626-3883 to R.S.V.P. for this program. For more information about classes and other activities at the site, visit stockton.edu/manahawkin # # #