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## Stockton's Holocaust Resource Center Co-Sponsors a Speaker From the National Catholic Center for Holocaust Education

Sister Gemma Del Duca to Speak on Monday, August 25, 2008 at 7:00 PM

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**Galloway Twp., NJ** – The Milton and Betty Katz Jewish Community Center and The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Holocaust Resource Center will sponsor a presentation by Sister Gemma Del Duca from the National Catholic Center for Holocaust Education on Monday, August 25, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Jewish Community Center's Nauy Hall Auditorium.

The National Catholic Center for Holocaust Education is located in Jerusalem, Israel and Sister Gemma Del Duca will be presenting "Catholic Educator from Israel Reflects on Holocaust Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century." This event is free and open to the public.

Dr. Gemma Del Duca, S.C. was the first non-Israeli to receive the Excellence in Holocaust Education Award from Yad Vashem. She teaches on a regular basis at Yad Vashem's International School for Holocaust Studies. In discussing her work in a recent interview, Sister Gemma Del Duca said "There is an expression in Hebrew that speaks of 'tikkun olam,' which means the mending of the world, so when people begin to study about the *Shoah*, and especially as they study it in Israel and in Yad Vashem, I feel that they begin to cross borders."

Sister Gemma has lived in Israel for the past 33 years. She recently said, "There was a great openness for dialogue that was encouraged through Vatican II. I am very interested in dialogue with the Jewish people."

The Jewish Community Center's Nauy Hall is located at 501 North Jerome Avenue in Margate. For questions and additional event-related information, please call (609) 652-4699.