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THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY



## **Stockton Workshop, “Lincoln’s Legacy: Civil and Religious Freedoms” Set by Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center**

**Event to Take Place Oct. 1, 2009**

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**Galloway Township, NJ-** The Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center at the Richard Stockton College of NJ will present a unique workshop, “Lincoln’s Legacy: Civil and Religious Freedoms” on Thursday, October 1, 2009, from 9:30 a.m to 2:30 p.m.

This event, designed for educators and the community, will be held in the newly expanded Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center. Educators are encouraged to attend, as five Professional Development Hours (PDH) will be offered.

The keystone of the workshop will include excerpts from an oral history testimony by Rene Cohen of Margate, NJ whose grandfather, Nathan Levy, a nineteenth-century European Jewish immigrant and a Civil War soldier imprisoned in the Confederate prison at Andersonville, was one of the officers who accompanied Lincoln’s body from Washington, D.C. to Springfield, Illinois on the special funeral train. Deeply affected by this experience, Nathan Levy, taught his children and grandchildren that freedom and civil rights were the gifts of the United States through Lincoln and that they should live their lives respecting and honoring these gifts, the legacy of Lincoln.

The workshop presenters will expand the discussion to include prejudice reduction—not only race based, but also religious based.

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For more information, please call the Holocaust Resource Center at 609-652-4699. # # #