

## **Guide to the Generations of the Shoah - Nevada Records**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Generations of the Shoah - Nevada
<b>Title:</b>	Generations of the Shoah - Nevada Records
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00720
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	2001-2015
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1,194 Digital Files (Transferred electronically; no physical carrier)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.2 Linear Feet (1 box)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Generations of the Shoah - Nevada (GS-N) records (2001-2015) are mainly comprised of meeting notes, correspondence, fliers, event programs, speeches, planning documents, and educational materials created by GS-N president Esther Finder and collaborators in the local Jewish community and the international Holocaust education and remembrance community. The collection also includes personal stories of Holocaust survivors and their families, which are recorded in virtual books, publications, videotaped interviews, and Las Vegas, Nevada filmmaker Brett Levner's videos: <i>Holocaust Survivors Reflect</i> and <i>Passing the Torch</i> .

### Preferred Citation

Generations of the Shoah - Nevada Records, 2001-2015. MS-00720. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Historical Background

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Generations of the Shoah – Nevada (GS-N) was established in Las Vegas, Nevada in October 2010 as a group for the children and grandchildren of Holocaust (Shoah) survivors. GS-N supports local Holocaust survivors, educates community members about the history of the Holocaust, and works to ensure that the legacy of the Holocaust is not "forgotten, denied, or re-written." The group collaborates with Yad Vashem to help with the Pages of Testimony project, an effort to record the names of the six million Jewish victims of the Holocaust. GS-N provides a place for members to discuss their personal experiences as children of

survivors. It also provides online forums, book discussions, and programs such as writing workshops and speaker training workshops.

Source:

"Home." *Generations of the Shoah – Nevada*. Accessed May 6, 2015. <http://gsnevada.net/>.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials are arranged chronologically.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

Collection is open for research. Portions of this collection are digital and available online at <http://d.library.unlv.edu/cdm/search/searchterm/MS-00720>. Advance notice and arrangements are required for access to some digital files; please contact Special Collections for more information.

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## Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2015 by Esther Finder, accession number 2015-066; Brett Levner, accession number 2015-076; and Ary Mirochnik, accession number 2015-100.

## Processing Note

Materials were processed by Emily Lapworth in 2015.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Holocaust survivors
- Jews -- Nevada -- Las Vegas -- History
- Jews -- Societies, etc.
- Photographs

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Esther Finder correspondence, 2001-2013 and undated	box 1
United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Memorable Moments book, featuring a page written by Esther Toporek Finder, 2003	box 1
Meeting notes, 2010-2012 and undated	box 1
<p>Digital records, 2009-2015</p> <p>Physical Description: 111 Digital Files (Original formats were mainly Microsoft Word documents but also included Microsoft Powerpoint, JPEG and PDF files. All access files are PDF or JPEG.)</p> <p>Scope and Contents Note: These digital records from 2009 to 2015 were mainly created by Esther Finder in her work as president of Generations of the Shoah - Nevada. Materials include correspondence, articles and essays, meeting agendas and notes, photographs, drafts of speeches, fliers, informational documents, planning documents for conferences and events, and Holocaust education materials. Also included are emails sent and recieved by Finder, which function as the organization's main method of communication, in lieu of a printed newsletter.</p>	
<p>Brett Levner Passing the Torch documentary videos and working files, 2012</p> <p>Physical Description: 231 Digital Files</p> <p>Scope and Contents Note: Materials include final cut of video and interviews with Esther Finder, Raymonde Fiol, and Stephen Nasser.</p>	
<p>Fliers and event programs, 2012-2015 and undated</p>	

box 1

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Brett Levner Holocaust Survivors Reflect project videos and working files, 2013

Physical Description: 406 Digital Files

Scope and Contents Note: Materials include final cut of video, interviews with 21 Holocaust survivors, and working files such as video production files and introductions and questions for the survivor interviews.

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Video footage of interviews with Joe Frank and Gary Rosenthal, 2013

Physical Description: 354 Digital Files

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Speech transcript and certificates, 2013

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"Nellis hosts Holocaust Remembrance Week," article in Bullseye, the Nellis, Creech and NTTR newspaper, volume 64 number 16, 2014 April 25

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"Holocaust Education Seder for Clark County students and teachers" newspaper article by Esther Toporek Finder in the Las Vegas Israelite, 2014 May 2

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"The Next Generation," essay by Esther Toporek Finder in Past Forward, the USC Shoah Foundation magazine, 2014

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Generations of the Shoah International conference videos, 2014

Physical Description: 2 Digital Files

Scope and Contents Note: Materials consist of two videos of speakers at the conference, Mark Weitzman and Michael Berenbaum.

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Holocaust survivor virtual books, 2014

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Memory Reconstruction: A Sacred Culture Rebuilt by Lori Shocket. Book signed by author, featuring pages about Harry and Faye Toporek and Raymonde Fiol, 2015

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