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ORANGE, Calif. Chapman Universitys final Holocaust lecture of the fall season, They Were My Neighbors: Jewish Survivors and Their Rescuers in the Holocaust, will be presented on Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. in Memorial Hall on the Orange campus. Douglas Greenberg, Ph.D., professor of history at the University of Southern California and executive director of the Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education, will speak, examining the reasons why, during the Holocaust, Jews could not take the daily relationships that form the fabric of life for granted any more. The question of who would be a good neighbor and friend, whom one could count on for aid, who would remain a bystander and who would become one of the perpetrators became literally a matter of life or death. The lecture is free and open to the public  call (714) 628-7377 or visit www.chapman.edu/holocausteducation for more information.

Greenberg negotiated the agreement that brought the Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education to USC in 2006. The Institute holds almost 52,000 video testimonies of eyewitnesses to the Holocaust from 56 countries and in 32 languages. It creates educational products and programs that are in use in 18 countries and 75,000 schools in the United States and Europe reaching 2 million students, and it also produces documentary films based on the testimonies. Greenbergs principal agenda has been to expand scholarly and educational access to the 200 terabyte archive, which is today available at a dozen institutions around the world. The Institute now also serves as an incubator for testimony projects in Rwanda and South Africa and other parts of the world beset by genocide, racism, and violence.

Although a historian by training, Greenbergs main career has been as a non-profit executive focused on the strategic repositioning of the organizations he has led. Previously president and CEO of the Chicago Historical Society, Greenberg also served as vice president of the American Council of Learned Societies and associate dean of the faculty at Princeton University. He taught history at Rutgers, Lawrence, and Princeton Universities, and he has resumed teaching at USC. The author or editor of many books and essays on the history of early America and American law (his original scholarly fields), as well as on technology, scholarship, and libraries, he now also writes and speaks about the Holocaust and genocide and Jewish identity in the post-Holocaust United States.

Greenberg received his M.A. (1971) and Ph.D. (1974) from Cornell University. He has held fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation. He is an elected member of the American Antiquarian Society and a Fellow of the Society of American Historians and has been awarded honorary degrees by Lincoln College and Skidmore College. His work has brought him to more than 40 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East.

Greenbergs lecture is part of The 1939 Club's Leopold Page Memorial Righteous Rescuers Lecture Series, co-sponsored by the Stan Ross Visiting Scholar in Holocaust History and the
Department of History, and presented by Chapman Universitys Rodgers Center for Holocaust Education.