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Stockton Receives Largest Gift in its History; Additional Gifts Honor Memory of Virginia Tech Professor, Recognize Excellence at Holocaust Resource Center

\$850,000 in Gifts to Name Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center, Establish Room Honoring Professor Liviu Librescu of Virginia Tech, and Recognize Excellence

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Sam and Sara Schoffer, Holocaust survivors and natives of Vilna, Poland, were married in a forest following their escape from a Jewish ghetto in their hometown. They immigrated to the United States in 1949 and raised their children, Lynda and Leo, on the memories of their experiences. As a result, involvement and support of the Jewish community became a central theme in the Schoffers' lives.

"Our family wishes to express their appreciation to Stockton for the special opportunity to name this Resource Center to honor two survivors who are loved and respected in our community," Leo Schoffer said. "My parents favorably symbolize and represent the many survivors of the Holocaust who settled in southern New Jersey and made an important impact on this community."

The Sara and Sam Schoffer Holocaust Resource Center is a joint project of the College and the Jewish Federation of Atlantic and Cape May Counties. It serves as a resource for the study of the Holocaust and its significance for the past, present and future. The Center supports academic programs at the College.

The President also announced a \$250,000 gift from The Azeez Foundation of Egg Harbor Township, to name a room in the Holocaust Resource Center honoring the memory of Liviu Librescu.

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and Genocide Studies. "For some time, Jack has been very excited about the fine work of the Center and its students," said Jan Colijn, Dean of General Studies and a native of