

The Center for Peace, Justice and Reconciliation, the Office of Multicultural Affairs at Bergen Community College and the Prakhina Foundation present

Genocide Studies Speaker Series

Stalin's Terror: Remembering the Russian (Bolshevik) Revolution 1917-2017

Tuesday, November 7, 2017

1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Paramus Campus, Room C-211

1:45 - 3:00 p.m. – *Jacob Mankovich* served as literary editor of Y. Milshteyn's book "*Journey through Hell*" that received the Prakhin Literary Foundation 2009 award. Currently works as an internet researcher. Mr. Mankovich will introduce the new curriculum for colleges, "*Stalinist Genocide*".

3:15 - 4:30 p.m. – *Ludwik Kowalski*, Honorary Mention at the 4th Prakhin Foundation Award Ceremony, Professor Emeritus at Montclair State University. Author of the book "*Hell on Earth*," which tells the story of his father's death during the era of Stalinist repression. (His wife Linda Kowalski will represent him).

Ludmila Prakhina, President of the Prakhin International Literary Foundation, will tell the story of her parents' suffering during the reign of Stalin. Short video about Yefim Milshtein. Author of the book "*Journey through Hell*," which tells the story of his survival of both Nazi death camps and the Soviet GULAG.

November 7, 2017, marks a century from, what has been called, "Great October Revolution." In reality it was a coup-d'état. Then 'Bolsheviks' led by Lenin overthrew the Provisional Government and seized power. Their slogan "All power to the soviet workers, peasants, and soldiers' deputies" seduced never materialized. Instead, power belonged to the Communist Party: from local party committees, to the Politbureau led by the General Secretary. Marxist ideas about building a Socialist Paradise swiftly devolved into a dystopian state structure - presided over by Josef Stalin, the General Secretary – which terrorized the population for more than three decades. During this period, millions of soviet citizens were sent to concentration camps; many of whom were either killed or died from hunger, overwork, and disease.

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