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## THE GOALS OF THE HOLOCAUST CENTER, BOSTON NORTH ARE:

*To reduce hatred, prejudice, ignorance and indifference through education.  
 To prevent future tragedies through the universal lessons of this period.  
 As long as any people are deprived of  
 their dignity and human rights,  
 No one can be free.*

The Holocaust Center, Boston North, Inc. is a beneficiary of the Friends of the Holocaust Center, The Jewish Federation of the North Shore Inc., and the Trustees of the Peabody Institute Library. IF YOU HAVE ALREADY RENEWED YOUR 2005 - 06 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FROM JULY 1—JUNE 30, PLEASE DISREGARD THE ENCLOSED REMITTANCE ENVELOPE.

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NEWSLETTER

2005-2006

Photos from The Holocaust Center's 2nd Annual Tribute Dinner recognizing the achievements of the late **Mayor Peter Torigian** and **US Congressman John Tierney** in furthering social justice and human rights.



Cocktail Reception



Dr. Marvin Wilson & Rabbi Jonas Goldbey



Jackie Torigian and Mayor Michael Bonafanti



Jackie Torigian and Daughters



Patrice Tierney and DA Jonathan Blodgett



Mark & Marcia Jaff with Anna Bertini, and other guests

Please join us on June 15, 2006 when we pay tribute to  
 The United States Army's Liberating Holocaust Divisions.

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Education can reduce hatred, prejudice, ignorance and indifference.



## WHAT IS THE HOLOCAUST CENTER?

**HISTORY:** The Holocaust Center, Boston North Inc. was created in 1982 to provide community awareness, information, audio-visual support, and education about the Nazi Holocaust in an attempt to prevent this history from repeating itself. The goal is to reduce hatred, prejudice, ignorance and indifference through education. The Holocaust Center is a non-profit organization overseen and advised by an interfaith board.

**RESOURCES:** The Holocaust Center is staffed Monday through Thursday, 10 A.M.—2 P.M., Friday 9A.M. —1P.M., Sept.-June, and is housed at the Peabody Institute Library's Center for the Study of Human Rights, 82 Main St., Peabody, MA. During regular library hours, more than 2000 books and over 100 videos for all ages are available for loan through the Noble System and the Gallery of Student Art can be viewed.

**PROGRAMS:** The Holocaust Center provides **programs and awareness sessions** for the community including public and private schools, organizations, churches, and temples.

**ORAL HISTORIES:** The Holocaust Center is an affiliate of the **Fortunoff Video Archives for Holocaust Testimonies** at Yale University. To date, 100+ oral histories, used only for education, have been recorded.

**SURVIVORS' CONFERENCE:** The annual forum for survivors, their children, and grandchildren to share their experiences and discuss relevant issues was held at Facing History.

**HUMAN RIGHTS AWARENESS PROGRAM:** 11/03/05 for grades 9-12 to increase awareness of past and present violations of human rights with Genocide Survivors **ERNEST RUGWIZANGONGA**, Rwanda, **RENA FINDER**, the Holocaust, and **SEYON SOEUN**, Cambodia. Attendance this year was to capacity of 950 at Salem High.

*Remember the past to understand the present so that there will be a future.*



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**ALL-OCCASION CARDS:** To send a card in honor of a special occasion, as a memorial, or to purchase cards in packages of ten, please call the Center. Special thanks to **AUDREY WEINSTEIN** for so beautifully writing the cards.

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** A copy of is available for display at area churches, temples, and other public buildings. This book contains Holocaust survivors' testimonies beautifully created in calligraphy. A gift of \$1,500 or more will sponsor a page with a personal inscription. Please call **MARCIA GLASSMAN-JAFFE** at The Holocaust Center.

**PROGRAMMING FOR FIFTH/SIXTH GRADES:** Many area elementary students were introduced to the Holocaust and the application of the lessons of this period to present day. The program includes discussion on the effects of stereotyping, scapegoating, ethnic jokes, name-calling, the swastika, etc.

**SONIA WEITZ'S MEMOIR:** *I Promised I Would Tell* was serialized in a Memphis, TN newspaper and studied in 325 classrooms.

**MA COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL STUDIES CONFERENCE:** Representatives from the center will be presenting in March.

**SURPLUS BOOKS:** Extra books are being shared with Salem State & North Shore Community Colleges & Cohen- Hillel Academy.

**COMMEMORATION OF KRISTALLNACHT:** Present Memories video shown to entire Merrimack College community.

**PROGRAM ON GENOCIDE:** The Holocaust Center co-sponsored with Assumption College featuring **SONIA WEITZ**.

**USHMM:** The Holocaust Center participated in a partnership with the United States Memorial Museum's Boston Exhibit: Fighting the Fires of Hatred.

**FOR THE FUTURE:** The Holocaust Center continues to record 1/2 hour tapes of area Holocaust Survivors. Future generations can bring these tapes into the classroom as they retell the histories of their parents, grandparents.....

**It is estimated that in the course of a school year, The Holocaust Center's Programming reaches upwards of 50,000 people directly and countless others through the media.**



## SAVE THE DATES....

### The Holocaust Center, Boston North Inc. Presents

#### **An Evening With Holocaust Survivor, JOSEPH MATZNER & Rwandan Genocide Survivor, ERNEST RUGWIZONGA**

Monday, March 20, 2006 (March 27 snow date)

6:30-8:00 P.M.

Temple Ner Tamid, Lowell St., Peabody, MA

Students in grades 7-12 are encouraged to attend with their parents. Open to the Public

Sponsored by The Holocaust Center, Boston North Inc.

Hosted by Temple Ner Tamid and The Men's Club

#### **YOM HASHOAH**

#### **Interfaith Commemoration of the Holocaust**

Monday, April 24, 2006, 7 P.M.

Peabody High School, 483 Lowell Street, Peabody

Survivors' Candle-lighting Ceremony, 26th Yankee Division Posting of the Colors

Gordon College Women's Choir, Interfaith Memorial Service

Keynote Presentation

Professor **MARTHA MINOW**, Harvard Law School

Beginning at 6:00 P.M. (prior to the commemoration) there will be an exhibit of "Art on the HOLOCAUST" by area artists of all ages including APO TOROSYAN'S "Armenian Genocide".

RICHARD ADELMAN & SANDY WEITZ are the Chairs for the event.

#### **3rd Annual Holocaust Center Social Justice and Human Rights Award Dinner To Benefit The Holocaust Center, Boston North Inc**

Honoring  
**the United States Army's Holocaust Liberating Divisions  
And Recognizing Our Veterans**

June 15, 2006 beginning at 6:00 P.M.  
Boston Hyatt Harborside Hotel at Logan Airport

For tickets, information on 'adopting'/sponsoring a Liberating Division/Survivor,  
or to be included on the Dinner Committee, please call 978-531-8288.

Co-Chairs: Anna Bertini, Brigadier General Albert Mangone, Commander Moe Sack, Harriet Wacks