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THE 19TH ANNUAL SCHOLARS' CONFERENCE ON THE HOLOCAUST

"Bearing Witness: 1939-1989"

5-7 March 1989
Holiday Inn: Independence Mall Philadelphia

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International Böhmeyer Society carries on the memory and work of Dietrich Böhmeyer (1906-45), a young ecumenical leader who opposed Nazism and was martyred. His writings, like his Life and Death, have informed and inspired readers in many countries.

The U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council is an agency of the Federal Government, with 55 members appointed to 5-year terms by the President by and with the consent of the Senate. In addition to holding annual Yom Hashoah (Day of Remembrance) commemorations, the council is building a memorial museum on the mall in Washington.

The National Association of Holocaust Educators was founded in 1978. Its annual meetings bring together scholars and teachers committed to teaching the Holocaust.

The "Eternal Flame Award" of the Anne Frank Institute is given to persons who have made extraordinary contributions to teaching the Holocaust and implementing its lessons. Among the recipients in the past have been Gideon Hausner - Prosecutor of Eichman and Beate Klarsfeld - Famous Nazi Hunter.

The Anne Frank Institute was founded in 1975 as the National Institute on the Holocaust. It is the American Mother of Interfaith Holocaust Education and now has many children and grand children.

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PROGRAM OF THE 19TH ANNUAL SCHOLARS' CONFERENCE
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Saturday, March 4th

6:00  Yad Vashem and Vidal Sassoon Center Alumni  Penn Room

Sunday, March 5th

10:00 First meeting of the Yad Vashem & Vidal Sassoon Center Alumni. (See attached program - appendix A)  Penn Room
10:00 Registration and Book Exhibit - near Franklin Room
1:30 Meeting of Chairmen of Conference Sessions  Adams Room
3:00 "THE HOLOCAUST THROUGH VISUAL IMAGERY"
   Chairman: Robert W Ross, (Graduate Theological Union)  Adams Room
   Beverly Asbury (Vanderbilt) - "Holocaust Drawings of Gyorgy Kadar - A Slide Presentation"
   Ann Weiss (Project for the Study of Survival) "Eyes From The Ashes" Auschwitz Archival Photographs
   Joanne Rudof (Yale)  "The Yale Collection of Video Testimonies"

3:30 Seminar of National Association Holocaust Educators (See attached program - appendix B).  Adams Room

6:00 SOCIAL HOUR  Foyer

7:00 CONFERENCE DINNER
   Chairman: Franklin H Littell  Franklin Room
   Presentation of "The Enternal Flame Award"
   Elisabeth Maxwell, speaker (Oxford, England) "Remembering for the Future"
MONDAY, MARCH 6TH

8:00  Coffee and Danish

8:30  "SURVIVOR TESTIMONIES"
     Chairman: Beverly Asbury, Vanderbilt University
     Herbert Hirsch (Virginia Commonwealth U) - "Primo Levi"
     Emanuel Tanay (Detroit) - "On Being a Survivor"
     Nechama Tec (U of Conn: Stamford) - "Altruism and Rescuing Jews"

8:30  Yad Vashem and Vidal Sassoon Institute Alumni
     (See attached program - Appendix A)

10:00 Coffee break

10:30  "THE ROAD TO AUSCHWITZ"
     Chairman: Richard Pierard, (Indiana State University)
     Henry Huttenbach (CUNY: City College) - "Preparing for the Holocaust"
     Roberta Kalechofsky (Micah Publications) - "The Social and Medical Antecedents to the Medical Experiments in the Concentration Camps"
     Gerd Korman (Cornell U) - "Three Mothers on the Edge of the Holocaust"
     Harriet L Parmet (Lehigh U) - "Haviva Reik"

10:30  Yad Vashem and Vidal Sassoon Institute Alumni
     (See attached program - Appendix A)

12:00 Break for lunch

2:00  "PHILOSOPHICAL RESPONSES TO THE HOLOCAUST"
     Chairman: Alice L Eckardt, (Lehigh University)
     Robert Melson (Purdue U) - "On the Distinctiveness of the Holocaust"
     Steven T Katz (Cornell U) - "The Gulag and Auschwitz"
     Richard L Rubenstein (Florida State U) - "The Heidegger Enigma"
     Eugene Fisher (U S Catholic Bishops' Conference) and Leon Klenicki (Anti-Defamation League) - "Memory and Triumphant in"
MONDAY, MARCH 6TH PROGRAM CONTINUED

3:30 Refreshment break

4:00 "RELIGIOUS RESPONSES"
Chairman: Morris Faierstein, (University of Maryland)

Jack Fischel (Millersville U) - "An American Christian Response to the Holocaust"

Gershon Greenberg (American U) “The Theological Response of Lubavitcher Hasidism to the Shoah”

Alan Rosenberg and Paul Marcus (CUNY:Queens College) - “The Role of Religious Faith in ‘Remaining Human’ in the Ghettos and Camps”

Robert W Ross (Graduate Theological Union) “Baptists, Jews, Nazis: 1933-1947”

6:00 Break for dinner

8:00 "LITERARY RESPONSES"
Chairman: Ruth Zerner (CUNY: Lehman College)

Rachel Feldhay Brenner (York U) - “Education and Self-Education in post-Holocaust Literature”

Susan L Pentlin (SW Missouri State) - “Mary Berg’s Diary: Warsaw Ghetto”

Harriet Suskind (Monroe Community College) - “Memory as Elegy: The Holocaust and the American Poets Irving Feldman, Anthony Hecht and Gerald Stern”

Iwona Irwin-Zarecki (Wilfred Laurier U) - “Challenged to Respond: New Polish Novels on the Holocaust”

Franklin Room
TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH

8:00 Coffee and Danish near Franklin Room

8:30 "THEOLOGICAL RESPONSES"
Chairman: J Patrick Kelley, (Lynchburg College)

Roger Smith (William & Mary) - "Fantasy, Purity, Destruction: Norman Cohen’s Complex Witness to the Holocaust"

David Patterson (Oklahoma State) "Toward a Theology of Responsibility"

A Roy Eckardt (Lehigh U) - "The Shoah and the Affirmation of Jesus’ Resurrection"

Franklin Room

10:00 Coffee break

10:30 "THE AFTERMATH"
Chairman: F Burton Nelson, North Park Theological Seminary

Zev Garber (LA Valley College) - "12 April 1951: The Day That Heaven Stood Still (6 Nisan 5711)"

Hana Greenfield (Israel) - "Breaking the Silence"

Richard V Pierard (Indiana State) - "John Beaty’s The Iron Curtain Over America - Antisemitism and AntiCommunism in the 1950s"

Maria Rosenbloom (CUNY:Hunter College)"Bearing Witness by Holocaust Survivors: Implications for Mental Health Knowledge and Practice"

12:30 CONFERENCE LUNCHEON
Chairman: Harry James Cargas, (Webster University)

Hubert Locke, speaker (U.of Washington)- "Holocaust Studies: A View To The Future (the Bernhard E Olson Memorial Address)"

2:30 Final session of the Yad Vashem and the Vidal Sassoon Center Alumni (See attached program - Appendix A)

Franklin Room
APPENDIX A
TENTH ANNIVERSARY REUNION
of the Alumni of the
Courses for Overseas Educators
Philadelphia: 5-7 March 1989

SATURDAY

6:00 Informal Social Meeting

SUNDAY

10:00 Registration

10:00 Discussion on continuing contact with Jerusalem. Division into small groups on a regional basis.

11:30 Luncheon break

1:00 A Decade of Teaching About Antisemitism and the Holocaust

Shalomi Barmore (Yad Vashem): “Holocaust, Israel, and the Role of Yad Vashem in Education”

Elly Dlin (Yad Vashem): “A Decade of Courses: Evolution and Change”

Sue Fox (Vidal Sassoon Center): “The Establishment and Activities of the International Center for the Study of Antisemitism at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem”

6:00 Social Hour

7:00 Conference Dinner - Elisabeth Maxwell, speaker “Remembering for the Future”
MONDAY, MARCH 6TH

8:30 Educational Materials Developed by Course Graduates
Chairman: Elly Dlin (Yad Vashem)

Bob Hines ('85), Sue Shotel ('86) and Flora Singer ('86): “Teaching and Learning about the Holocaust. An In-Service Course for Teachers in Montgomery County, Maryland”

Edward Trout ('82) and William Phillips ('82): “A Package of Materials for Secondary School Teachers in Ohio”

Peppy Margolis ('84): “A Curriculum Guide on the Holocaust for Elementary School Students”

Carolyn Stewart ('88): “Using the Story of a Survivor in Teaching Elementary Students”

10:00 Coffee Break

10:30 Remembrance and Commemoration
Chairman: Sue Fox (Vidal Sassoon Center)

Arthur Pitz ('83): “The Interfaith Yom Hashoah Commemorations in the Quad Cities (Illinois)”

Steven Gibson ('86): “Catholic Responses to the Holocaust - A Jewish Perspective”

Hana Greenfield ('86, '87): “Breaking the Silence”

Rebecca Bennett ('88): “My Visit to Auschwitz Immediately Following the July Course at Yad Vashem”

12:30 Reunion Bar
TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH

12:30 Conference Luncheon - Hubert G Locke, speaker
"Holocaust Studies: A View to the Future"
Bernhard E. Olson Memorial Lecture

2:30 Now and for the Future
Chairman: Shalmi Barmore (Yad Vashem)

Jack Shaffer ('85): “Some Initial Conclusions on Research into the Question of Why Some Bystanders Became ‘Righteous Amongst the Nations’ - Implications for Today”


Susan Gretz ('88): “How Jews and Non-Jews in America Learn About the Holocaust”

Franklin Room
APPENDIX B

SEMINAR

of the

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOLOCAUST EDUCATORS

Chair: Irene G Shur
Professor of History, West Chester University (PA)

PANEL:

"Holocaust Education: Assets or Liabilities,
The Good and the Bad of Teaching Holocaust Studies"

Marvin Goldstein
Professor of Sociology
Rider College
Lawrenceville NJ

F Burton Nelson
Professor of Theology
North Park Theological Seminary
Chicago IL

Susan Lee Pentlin
Professor of Modern Languages
Central Missouri State
Warrensburg MO

Marvin A Seperson
Director of Teachers' Education
New England College
Henniker NH
December 21, 1989

Dear Friend:

The sixth annual Summer Fellowship Program in Israel for American Public School Teachers on Teaching the Holocaust, sponsored by the American Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, the Educators’ Chapter of the Jewish Labor Committee, and the American Federation of Teachers, will take place July 10th to 31st, 1990, at the Ghetto Fighters House and Yad Vashem, and will include a short stop in Poland. Priority will be given by the acceptance committee to secondary school teachers of social studies and English. Forty-five teachers will be accepted for the program. The cost to the participants is $1,250; the balance is covered by a scholarship provided by American Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors. The enclosed brochure gives a more detailed description of the program.

One of the most valuable aspects of this project has been the creation of an Alumni Association which enables participants to maintain contact with one another upon their return to the United States and to share information on how they are using their experiences in Israel in their classrooms.

A conference of the Alumni Association of the Teachers’ Summer Fellowship Program will be held in Washington, DC, beginning the evening of February 10 through February 12, 1990.

For further information on the summer fellowship program and applications contact:

Martin Lapan, Executive Director
Jewish Labor Committee
25 East 21st Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10010

Sincerely,

Martin Lapan
Executive Director

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January 27, 1990

To Yad Vashem Scholarship Committee,

I would like to express my interest in your scholarship program for the Yad Vashem Summer Institute for teachers. My interest in the history of the Holocaust began in college at The University of Arizona where I took my first academic course and I was exposed to the many horrors. After graduation from college I moved to Atlanta with my wife and I was hired to teach social studies at Southwest Dekalb High School. The only place in the curriculum to teach about the Holocaust was a limited opportunity within my United States History course.

After five years at Southwest Dekalb, I landed a job at The Faideia School in 1985. At Faideia I was able to teach a special course solely on the Holocaust. At this point I realized I needed to learn more about the subject matter and how to teach about it.

While teaching the course at Faideia, I met Jane Leavey at the Zachour Center and she told me about Facing History and Ourselves, a Holocaust and human behavior education center based in Brookline, Massachusetts. I have since attended two of their week long institutes and have helped organize two teacher training workshops in Atlanta. During the planning of the workshops I met Daliah Brill who invited me to join the Holocaust Education Committee of the Atlanta Jewish Federation.

The Education Committee introduced me to Dr. Jimmy Harper who asked me to work on an education sub-committee of the Governor’s Commission on the Holocaust in 1989. At the moment I am planning teacher in-service courses for the Dekalb and Gwinnett school systems. I am committed to furthering Holocaust education in both public and private schools in Georgia and I would cherish the opportunity to study at Yad Vashem. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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