

VOICES FROM THE

HOLOCAUST



APRIL 23 - 30, 2023

In-person events educating about the Holocaust.
Keynote by Survivor - Films - Educational Programs

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023

Interfaith Memorial Service

7 PM

Beth Israel Congregation
1625 Reservoir Road Greeley, CO

OFFICIATORS: Rabbi Sara Gilbert, Reverend Rick Mawson,
and Reverend John Bliss

All are invited to gather for an interfaith service to pay homage to those who lost their lives, give thanks for those who survived, and honor those who risked their lives to save others. Building on rich traditions and shared hope for the future, there will be prayer and inspirational readings to reflect on the Holocaust era. The service will include a Litany of the Martyrs. Musical accompaniment provided by Magpie the Band, (Chloe Resler, Masha Eads, and Liam Hughes).

MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023

Holocaust Literature Book Discussion: The Boy on the Wooden Box by Leon Leyson

For young adults and their families

6:30 PM

Farr Regional Library
1939 61st Avenue, Greeley, CO

MODERATORS: Laura Manuel, Ph.D.; Mary Billings

This, the only memoir published by a former Schindler's list child, perfectly captures the innocence of a small boy who goes through the unthinkable. Leon Leyson was only ten years old when the Nazis invaded Poland and his family was forced to relocate to the Krakow ghetto. With incredible luck, perseverance, and grit, Leyson was able to survive the sadism of the Nazis, including that of Amon Goeth, commandant of Plaszow, the concentration camp outside Krakow. Ultimately, it was the generosity and cunning of one man, Oskar Schindler, who saved Leon Leyson's life, and the lives of his mother, his father, and two of his four siblings, by adding their names to his list of workers in his factory—a list that became world renowned: Schindler's List.

Complimentary copies of the book for the first twenty (20) registrants. Recommended for adults, tweens and teens.

TO REGISTER: Contact Khris Gamer at kgamer@highplains.us
or 970-506-8622

TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 2023

Holocaust Survivor Presentation: Fred Heyman

Platte Valley High School
901 Campbell Street, Kersey, CO
Open to Platte Valley High School students only

Holocaust Survivor Presentation: Fred Heyman

Eaton High School
200 Park Avenue, Eaton, CO
Open to Eaton High School students only

Reception with Holocaust Survivor: Fred Heyman

4 - 5 PM
Eaton Public Library, 132 Maple Avenue, Eaton, CO

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023

Holocaust Survivor Presentation: Fred Heyman

Union Colony Civic Center
701 10th Avenue, Greeley, CO
Open to District 6, 8th grade students only

**Ideological Conditioning, the Shaping of Public Opinion,
and the Holocaust: A Philosophical Perspective**

11-12 PM
Aims Community College
5401 West 20th Street, Greeley, CO
Student Commons Building, Room 114
PRESENTER: Daniel Alvarez, MA.

In Ideological Conditioning, the Shaping of Public Opinion, and the Holocaust: A Philosophical Perspective, Daniel Alvarez discusses how our approval or condemnation of war, violence, and injustice is often shaped by social forces operating beyond our immediate awareness. Since ideological conditioning has been and continues to be subtle, it is vital to understand how dominant ideologies work as well as our moral responsibility to assess the veracity of our beliefs.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 CONTINUED

Holocaust Survivor Presentation: Fred Heyman

7 PM

Aims Community College
4901 West 20th Street, Greeley, CO
Welcome Center Building Auditorium

Musical selections provided by Chloe Resler, Masha Eads, and Liam Hughes.

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2023

Holocaust Survivor Presentation: Fred Heyman

Central High School
1515 14th Avenue, Greeley, CO
Open to Greeley Central High School students only

Brown Bag Lunch: Holocaust 101

12-1 PM
Greeley Active Adult Center
1010 6th Street, Greeley, CO
PRESENTER: Dr. Joan Clinefelter, Ph.D.

In Holocaust 101, Dr. Joan Clinefelter explores how the Third Reich operated as a racial state dominated by a battle for survival between the "Germans" and the "Jews." By transforming German Jews into a national threat, the Nazis gave new life to antisemitism and helped pave the way for a war against the Jews.

The Shop on Main Street (1965) film screening

7 PM — 128 minutes: PG-13
University of Northern Colorado, Lindou Auditorium
1400 22nd Street, Greeley, CO

An inept Slovak peasant is torn between greed and guilt when the Nazi-backed bosses of his town appoint him "Aryan controller" of an old Jewish widow's button shop. Humor and tragedy fuse in this scathing exploration of one cowardly man's complicity in the horrors of a totalitarian regime. Made near the height of Soviet oppression in Czechoslovakia, The Shop on Main Street features intense editing and camera work which won it the Academy Award™ for Best Foreign Film in 1965.

*In partnership with University of Northern Colorado's
International Film Series (IFS)*

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

Who Will Write Our History (2018) film screening

1 PM — 95 minutes: NR

Farr Regional Library

1939 61st Avenue, Greeley, CO

In November 1940, days after the Nazis sealed 450,000 Jews in the Warsaw ghetto, a secret band of journalists, scholars and community leaders decides to fight back. Led by historian Emanuel Ringelblum and known by the code name Oyneg Shabes, this clandestine group vows to defeat Nazi lies and propaganda, not with guns or fists but with pen and paper.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 2023

Colorado Holocaust Educators Teacher Workshop

10 AM - 1 PM

Aims Community College

5401 West 20th Street, Greeley, CO

Student Commons Building, Room 114

Teaching the Holocaust can prove challenging in the best of times. In recent months, even familiar topics and texts have been fraught with landmines. How can teachers make the best choices, from among the seemingly limitless content, for their students and their teaching situation? In this workshop, educators from Colorado Holocaust Educators (CHE) will share how to teach the Holocaust so that students—and teachers—can move safely into and out of this difficult—but increasingly necessary—topic. Professional hours will be awarded.

TO REGISTER: bit.ly/co-educator-workshop

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023

Klezmer Concert: Ben Cohen and the Klez Dispensers

12-1 PM

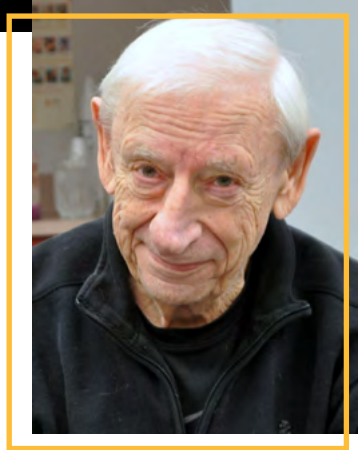
Unitarian Universalist Church

929 15th Street, Greeley, CO

The entire genre of Klezmer music was nearly wiped out during the Holocaust but has seen a major revival in recent years. Join us for an afternoon concert and lecture about music by Jewish composers who died during the Holocaust and other marginalized groups who were almost erased from history by the Nazi regime.

Fred Heyman's Biography

Born in Berlin, Germany in 1929, Fred witnessed firsthand the rise and fall of Nazism as a young boy. Born to a Protestant mother and a Jewish father, his family experienced persecution through the institution of the Nuremberg Laws, severely restricting their civil liberties. During his youth, Fred was witness to the pogrom of Kristallnacht ("The Night of Broken Glass"), literally walking across broken glass on the way to school the following morning. Then nine years old and in third grade, arriving at school, he saw his school and the adjacent synagogue in flames. His education practically came to a halt on that day. Fortunately, the family survived the Nazi regime, the Gestapo, and heavy Allied bombings of the city. In 1943, he and his mother were participants in the "Rosenstrasse Women's Protest." Following that demonstration, the Gestapo arrested Fred for transport to Auschwitz. Luckily the arrest was averted.



During the final years of the war, the family remained in hiding until they were liberated by Soviet armed forces. He resided in Berlin until the end of 1946, when the family was able to immigrate to the United States under the Displaced Persons Act of 1948.



All film screenings listed in this program guide will be followed by discussion.

Films may contain content that is not suitable for children.

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Eventually settling in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, he was drafted and served with the U.S. 45th Infantry on the front lines during the Korean War. While stationed in North Korea, Fred completed his high school education through a self-study course.

After discharge from the military, he attended the University of Wisconsin, studying electrical engineering which eventually led to employment with AT&T. He retired in 1996.

After the death of his beloved spouse, Elouise, in 2004, Fred served on the Holocaust Council of Greater Metro West in Whippany, New Jersey. He is also a member of its Executive Committee and serves on the Holocaust Advisory Committee of the Jewish Family Service. Fred has delivered over 482 speeches about the Holocaust and his personal experiences to more than 54,000 listeners.

As a member of the Morris Rubell Holocaust Remembrance Journeys, Fred has visited the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C., sharing his story with students on 110 trips.

As a survivor he is also engaged in a "Twin with a Survivor Mitzvah Program" and has 61 twins who become certified once they share their bar/bat mitzvahs with a Holocaust survivor. ●



IN MEMORIAM

The Holocaust Memorial Observances are dedicating the events of 2023 to Dr. Robert and Monica Kahn. The Kahns were beacons of light within the Greeley community for many years and ardent supporters of the Observances. Their accomplishments were many, exemplifying a vibrant and tireless commitment to projects which they cared deeply about.

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Holocaust Memorial Observances
151 Bayside Circle
Windsor, CO 80550

For more information visit holocaust-memorial-observances.org

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