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DSBN students hear from Holocaust survivors

Grade 7 and 8 students from the District School Board of Niagara will be hearing from two Holocaust survivors during the first Holocaust Symposium and Anti-discrimination Day on November 8. This event is one of two DSBN student forums held during Holocaust Education Week, November 1-9. Approximately 100 students and educators from elementary schools across the DSBN will be participating.

In the morning, students will rotate through interactive stations that include: The Role of the Bystander; The Courage to Care: A Contemporary Look at Intolerance; Learning not to Judge: Vignettes of Prejudice; and Lay Down Your Arms: Initiating Change through Music

In the afternoon session, students will have the opportunity to hear the first hand accounts of two survivors as well as engage in a question and answer session.

- **Howard Chandler**– born in Poland, he was a prisoner in Starachowice Labour Camp between 1942 - 44, when he was moved to Auschwitz-Birkenau, Buchenwald, and finally Theresienstadt. He came to Canada as a war orphan.
- **Fagey Libman**– born in Lithuania, survived the ghetto and concentration camps. As a child Fagey and her mother lived in Kovno ghetto, then were transferred to Studthof Concentration camp. In Canada Fagey taught as a Kindergarten teacher until her retirement.

The District School Board of Niagara acknowledges the support of the Regional Jewish Communities of Ontario and B'Nai Israel Congregation for assisting the facilitation of this symposium. The symposium is from 9:15am to 2:30pm (lunch break from 12noon to 12:30pm) on the third floor of the Education Centre, 191 Carlton Street, St. Catharines.

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