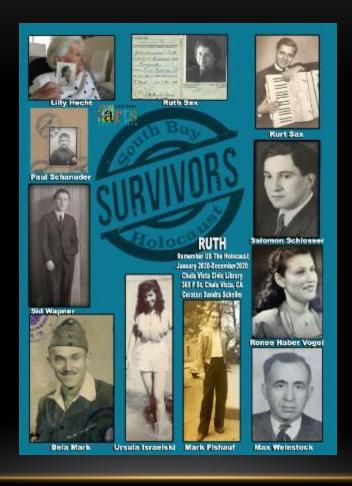
# RUTH REMEMBER US THE HOLOCAUST

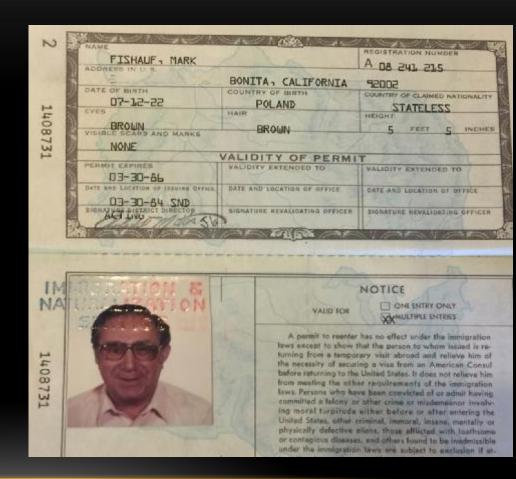
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# MEET THE SURVIVORS



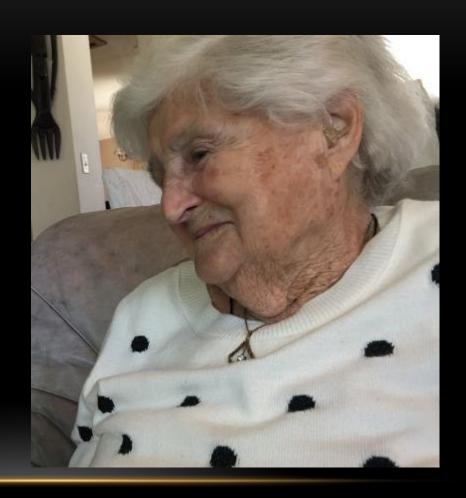
#### MARK FISHAUF

Mark Fishauf escaped Auschwitz but eventually was found. He lost an eye in Auschwitz. His son, Ed, told me that his family didn't talk much about what happened but the lessons learned were to work hard, love religion and love family. Mark was the owner of a grocery store on 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave and eventually owned Economy Furniture on 3<sup>rd</sup> and K St.



# LILLY HECHT

Beautiful Lilly is 96 years old. She has 3 daughters. Lilly was never separated from her mom. This was a gift for sure. Once day Lilly and her mom were sent to the gas chamber in Auschwitz. It turned out that the gas wasn't functioning that day. Lilly's mom thought that the Nazis forgot to pay the gas bill. Humor is what keeps Lilly going even today.



# URSULA ISRAELSKI

Ursula Israelski was born in Berlin, Germany. She and her mother were sent to Brussels. Ursula remembers standing on a platform with her mom and the Nazis took her mom but left Ursula behind. She remained in a children's home but was physically and sexually abused.

Another child in the home was given ballet shoes but didn't want them. Ursula took the shoes and with determination learned ballet. Ursula did see her mom one last time after liberation but she was unrecognizable.



# BELA MARK

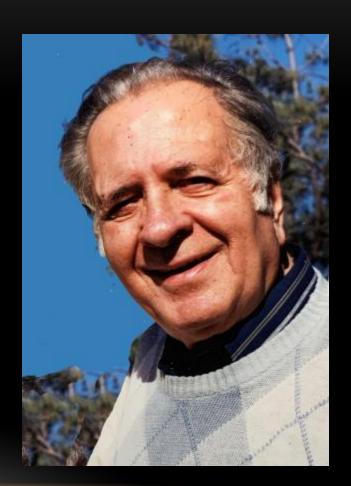


You are looking at twins, Bela and Daniel Marks that survived the holocaust. They were soldiers from Romania that were sent to Hungary. They were captured as soldiers, not Jews and were sent to Buchenwald. Had they claimed being Jewish, they would not have survived.



### **KURT SAX**

Kurt Sax was 16 years old when the Nazis invaded his hometown in Austria. He knew then that he had to flee his homeland. He went to Northern Italy and with the help of an American family, he sailed to Anderson, South Carolina. He sold newspapers and then learned the insurance business. It was a friend who told him to come to "Paradise" California. This paradise was the Southbay of San Diego.



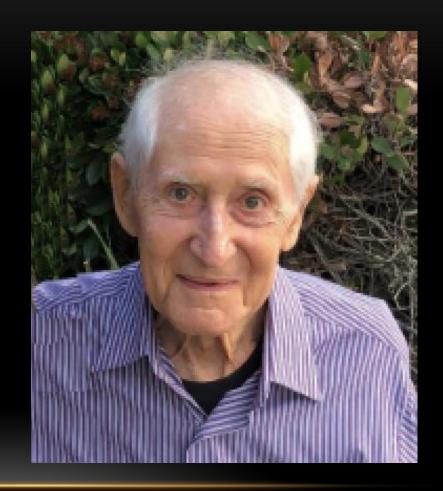
# RUTH SAX

- Ruth Goldschmiedova Sax was 10 years old when the Nazis invaded her home taking everything and anything they wanted (1939). By the age of 13 she was sent to Theresienstadt followed by Auschwitz. It was a miracle that while on a transport to a death camp, Flossenburg, they were sent to Oederan, a working camp. At the age of 16 she was working in a factory making bullets. She streaked her bullets with sand so that they could not be used.
- Ruth married her childhood distant cousin and friend, Kurt Sax. She dedicated herself to speaking to students, communities and organizations reminding them that another Holocaust will never be tolerated.



### PAUL SCHAUDER

Paul and his two brothers were in hiding. At the age of 7 his father was arrested during Kristalnacht and later was sent to Auschwitz. His older brother was captured and was killed in Auschwitz as well. His brother Jack, his mom Fanny and Paul had an egg ranch in Sweetwater. Although Paul moved to San Diego, he is remembered in The Southbay.



# SOLOMÓN SCHLOSSER

In 1939 Solomón's town of Lodz was now a ghetto. Jews were gathered and killed outside the ghetto. He was sent to Auschwitz.
Just after liberation Solomón was sick with Typhus.
He wrote a children's book entitled Mi Zeide es Historia.
This book was distributed to 57,000 students in Mexico.



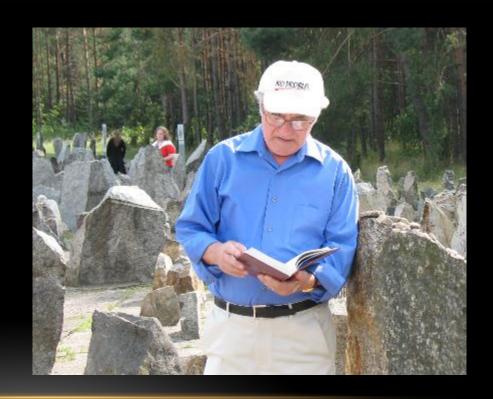
# RENEE HABER VOGEL

Renee Haber Vogel will not talk about her experiences. We are blessed that we can include her. She survived Auschwitz. Renee had her tattoo removed.



#### SID WAPNER

Sid Wapner owned Sid's Yardage on 3<sup>rd</sup> and Naples St in Chula Vista. This kind and gentle soul came from Poland where he witnessed the great temple being burned. He lost his family at the age of 15 and eventually went to Auschwitz where he was tattooed. He was later transferred to Dachau and liberated in May of 1945. He went to Seattle and went to Mexico where he met his wife, Frida. Together they came to the Chula Vista, raised a family and served his community.



### MAX WEINSTOCK

Max knew at a young age that he needed to leave Poland. He was not allowed to settle in the United States so he went to Mexico at the age of 17. He was an extremely hard worker with very little pay but was able to survive. Max was a business genius eventually learning the furniture business. He settled in Tijuana and got sick with Malaria. A doctor in Pasadena was able to help him and eventually was able to settle in the States. He was never able to recover from the loss of his mother who was killed by the Nazis, and the suffering of his sister Natalie. He applied his life lessons to become one of the most most outstanding Jewish leaders throughout the state. His dear friend was Moshe Dyan and he went to Israel numerous times to show his support.



# ONA YUFE GREW UP IN NEW JERSEY. WHILE WALKING TO SCHOOL SHE WAS CALLED A "DIRTY JEW."

Jack and his twin brother were separated because of their parent's divorce. Jack lived with his father while Oskar joined his mother in Germany and was in the Nazi Youth.

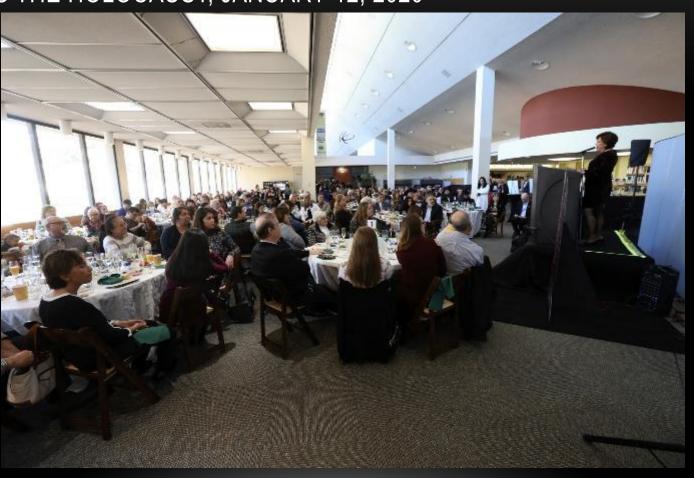




#### MORE THAN JUST AN EXHIBIT

- We received 2 grants, the city of Chula Vista Arts and Enhancement and San Diego County-Supervisor Greg Cox.
- Funds were raised with a Mayor's brunch and donations from those believing in this
  museum exhibit and the programs.
- \$5,000.00 will be donated on Wednesday to the Chula Vista Elementary School district for buses bringing students to the exhibit. I personally will be there to greet the schools, give them a tour and answer questions.
- Each month there will be an activity from speakers to art projects open to the community.
   This will be posted on our website and Chula Vista community bulletins.
- There will be a final gathering with Holocaust survivors in December as we will close this
  exhibit and make way for our Firemen Centennial Exhibit.
- With extra funds, it is my hope to have a lasting memorial on the deck of the Chula Vista library dedicated to the Holocaust survivors of the South Bay.

# MAYOR MARY SALAS BRUNCH OPENING EVENT FOR RUTH: REMEMBER US THE HOLOCAUST, JANUARY 12, 2020



# HENENI: HERE WE ARE.



# TOUR WITH LILLY HECHT



#### MEET THE TEAM COMMITTEE FOR RUTH

FIRST ROW: ADRIANNA HERNANDEZ, MAYOR MARY SALAS, AND MUSSIE BEGUN BACK ROW: HARRY ORGOVAN, SANDRA SCHELLER, PATRICIA HUFFMAN AND RABBI MENDY BEGUN

