

Annual Holocaust Memorial Observance

Yom HaShoah

with Guest Speaker John Saunders



Student creative projects are on display at Tifereth Israel Congregation.

Sunday, May 1, 2016

Memorial Service and Candle-Lighting Ceremony

6:15 PM

Holocaust Monument, Buttonwood Park

In Memory of Mary Schwartz

(Hawthorn Street and Rockdale Avenue, New Bedford)

Memorial Program

7:00 PM

Holocaust Survivor John Saunders

Tifereth Israel Congregation
(145 Brownell Avenue, New Bedford)



Dr. John Saunders, born Ignacy Silberherz in Poland in 1925, is a Holocaust survivor who will speak about his struggle to survive genocide and persecution. Dr. Saunders escaped from Auschwitz, was recaptured, survived Birkenau and Mauthausen concentration camps and a face-to-face encounter with Auschwitz's "Angel of Death," Dr. Joseph Mengele. He assumed the identity of a Polish Catholic during the war after a Gestapo officer mistakenly identified him this way. This and many other "miracles" helped him survive the horrors of the Holocaust.

Dr. Saunders immigrated to the United States in 1950 and graduated from Tufts School of Dental Medicine soon after. Dr. Saunders ran a successful prosthodontics practice in Boston.

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