



2nd Annual Making a Difference Speaker Series

Ridgewood High School is pleased to announce its 2nd annual *Making a Difference* Speaker Series. On five separate occasions, students will have the opportunity to hear individuals share personal stories relating to some of the darkest times in modern history. By bringing history alive, students will learn first-hand the impact an individual can have on the lives of others. The distinguished speakers are as follows:



HOLOCAUST - TUES., FEB. 7 - PDS. 3 & 4 - 8:50 - 10:50 a.m.

Bernhard Storch, born in Poland, is a survivor, soldier and liberator. He was arrested by the KGB and sent to a labor camp in Siberia. When the Nazis declared war, he was released from camp and enlisted in the Polish Army. During his military service, he helped liberate four extermination camps, three in Poland and one in Germany.

HOLOCAUST - WEDS., MARCH 8 - PDS. 8 & 5 - 12:45 - 2:45 p.m.

Fred Heyman was born in Berlin, Germany in 1929. He and his family, including a Jewish father, who fought for Germany during World War I, and a non-Jewish mother, lived in Berlin throughout the Holocaust, surviving Kristallnacht and various bombing raids.



RWANDA - THURS, MARCH 23 - PDS. 1 & 2 - 8:50 - 10:50 a.m.

Eugenie Mukeshimana, an ethnic Tutsi, went into hiding to stay alive as Hutu extremists began a campaign of genocide that would eventually claim a million lives. When it was over, Mukeshimana and her daughter survived, but she lost her husband, father, sister and many other family members.

NANKING - MON., APR. 24 - PDS. 5 & 6 - 12:45 - 2:45 p.m.

Dr. Don Tow will speak about World War II focusing on the inhumane atrocities in China and the rest of Asia. **Mr. Chu-Yeh Chang** will speak of his experiences as a Nanking Massacre victim and survivor, including the atrocities committed against his family.



DARFUR - WEDS., MAY 3, - PDS. 6 & 7 - 12:45 - 2:45 p.m.

A pediatrician for more than 50 years, **Dr. Jerry Ehrlich** risked his life as a volunteer to help genocide victims in Internally Displaced Person Camps in Darfur. Volunteering with *Doctors Without Borders*, Dr. Ehrlich worked with many children and will share stories of his time in Darfur through artwork by Darfuri children.

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