

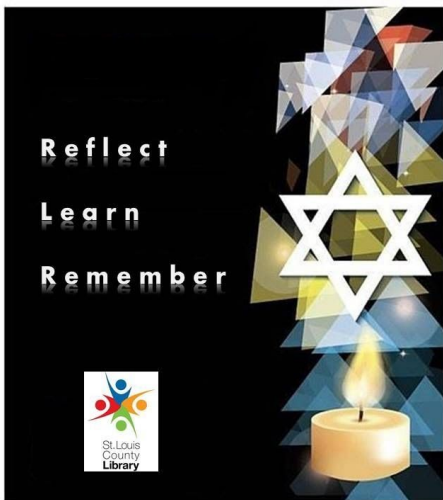
Souls Echo the name we chose for our newsletter was a relatively simple process -- a few emails were exchanged with lists of possible words / combinations -- and these resonated with us. Since placing these two words together, we have followed the echo of Souls who have led us to many, and continue to lead us to, amazing discoveries.

We have found family members we did not know existed, rare photos that were not destroyed, four generations of our father/Ben Fainer's maternal family history through JRI Poland, including Ben's grandfather's burial place, and an entire community of Bedzin/Zaglembie survivors and their families scattered around the world. These discoveries are bitter-sweet, as they do not lessen the pain and suffering of so many, and the murder of more than six million people.

Polish Family Names Discovered

Maternal: Urman, Fersztenfeld, Wajsmark, Sztrochlitz, Goldberg

Paternal: Fajner, Chzranowski, Fogelstajn, Helisiewicz, Kugiefleser, Magier



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Ben's childhood friend Hirszt Litmanowicz (center) at Auschwitz, January 27, 2020 -- 75 years after surviving Dr. Mengele's inhuman experimentation.

The St. Louis County Library Foundation hosted our educational program on January 28. Survivor Dr. Ram Levy spoke of his family's experiences during WWII and the righteous Bulgarian people who saved 50,000 people of the Jewish religion from deportation to death camps.

We shared Ben Fainer's story and the details of his death march out of Blechhammer (a sub camp of Auschwitz) 75 years ago, along with lessons learned that were shared with us by a Jewish scholar, a German government director, the son of Ben's liberator, a professor of Theology, a human rights activist, and a member of U.S. Army First Infantry.

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Survivor Hirszt Litmanowicz, his granddaughter Danielle Basok (married to a Rabbi recently appointed to a synagogue in Wroclaw Poland), Ron Lauder (President, World Jewish Congress)

The Ładoś List -- Do You Have Family Members on this List?



Ambassador Jakub Kumoch, Sharon Berry, Co-Author Monika Maniewska, Jeffrey Cymbler, and Dr. Wojciech Kozłowski, Director Pilecki Institut

Hannah's Attempt to Escape Deportation

My grandmother Hannah Urman is one of the 838 people [presently known] from Bedzin Poland who sought assistance from the Ładoś group, who were Poles and Jews that created a humanitarian network contrary to German and Swiss laws during WWII. The Ładoś List was recently published in English by the Pilecki Institute.

These fragments of Hannah's life are bitter-sweet -- knowing that she had the wherewithal, friends, and connections to seek transit papers; sadly, the reality that Hannah and my dad's siblings ultimate met was Hitler's Final Solution.

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This bracelet was buried for 45 years before being found under several inches of brush and dirt during an archeological dig.

We are cataloging records of Ben Fainer's family in Bedzin Poland, and Ben's imprisonment during the Holocaust.

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