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San Diego Jewish Academy Hosts 40 Holocaust Survivors At A Remembrance Ceremony

Over 40 local Holocaust survivors will be honored and recognized by students from San Diego Jewish Academy on Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Each year, San Diego Jewish Academy (SDJA) hosts a Remembrance Ceremony for *Yom Hashoah* (Holocaust Remembrance Day) in partnership with the New Life Club, a San Diego based group of Holocaust survivors. The ceremony will focus on honoring and remembering the six million Jews, 1.5 million of whom were children, murdered in the Holocaust. The survivors will share their stories with the students to ensure that an important part of Jewish history is passed on to the next generation. With most of the survivors now in their 80's, the event could be one of the last opportunities for students to hear these historically significant individuals' stories firsthand.

The ceremony this year will be led by SDJA's fifth grade students and will feature music, poetry, a candle lighting service and readings from the diaries of children who were victims of the Holocaust. After the ceremony, the survivors will have lunch with the students and share their stories. SDJA's fifth grade class will then present the survivors with a special book that is a compilation of their stories based on interviews.

DETAILS:

Date: Monday, May 2, 2011

Time: 10:30 am to 1:00 pm

**Location: San Diego Jewish Academy, 11860 Carmel Creek Road, San Diego, 92130, Bldg. A.,
Ulam**

If you would like to attend this event, please contact Joshua Nunn at (619) 302-4694 or jnunn@sdja.com as gate access is required to enter the SDJA campus.

About SDJA:

San Diego Jewish Academy challenges infants to high school seniors to achieve their full academic potential and become individuals of strong character, while inspiring them to make Judaism a vital and relevant aspect of their lives.

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