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# They Came Back!



after 70 years returned to Bardejov. They recalled the immense tragedy that befell members

of their families, friends and close friends. Attended the March of Solidarity - Following in Their Footsteps, leading from the station down Dhly Rad to the complex of Jewish buildings on Mylnska Ulicia, visited the Jewish cemetery, some of the houses where their families and relatives lived, praying in the synagogue on Klastorska Street, entered their names into a commemorative book of the city and waited to see the words and feelings to the long waited submitted. Photo: BN



Predstavitelia ortodoxných židov. Presentatives of Orthodox Jews

Tuli Bleich so svojími dcérami. Býval na Hviezdoslavovej ulici v Bardejove, kde jeho rodičia mali pekáreň. Gardisti ho odvliekli ako 16-ročného. Žije v Austrálii.









The second, third or fourth generation of Bardejov Jews were also in Bardejov.

Do Bardejova prišli aj tí z druhej, tretej či štvrtej generácie bardejovských Židov.

Syn Emanuela Rohana (predtým Rozenberga) Richard z Dallasu (USA).

Tuli Bleich with his daughters. He used to live on Hviezdoslavova (street) in Bardejov where his

Richard, son of Emanuel Rohan (formerly Rozenberg) from Dallas (USA) ..

parents had a bakery. Guardsmen deported him as a16-year old. He lives in Australia.

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Máj 1942. Deportácie, ktoré sa nevyhli ani žid

Holocaust - a tragedy of unprecedented dimensions, which in history mankind is one of the saddest.

The tragedy, which in World War II also affected more than three thousand people of our district, of which about two thousand were from Bardejov (exact numbers are not known). Purify the city and our Village of unwanted citizens - from Jews who lived here tens or even perhaps hundreds of years. The tragedy, for it is hard to find justifying words. Took care of her king of creation - MAN. Well basically just proved that can be to another man often worse than an animal ... Just needs a chance. Provided by him it fascism, which gave free passage of the monstrous evils of human form. The Holocaust is something difficult to understand, but became a silence for it has not changed and change. Only delayed recognition truth - harsh, dehonestujúcej human being, truth, which would none of us want to live - if Today, in the future.

The sad and tragic chapter includes and to our history. In the Bardejov them on Tuesday 15 May 2012 commemorated those who are the most touched the - the Jews. They came into town, where of their communities, no one lives, They came from different countries, where they found their new home. Some of them were survivors, others were their descendants. They visited places that are closest to their hearts, but also memories that are the saddest provoking mixed feelings. I was in tears. They came to organize a SolidarityMarch -Keeping up to their footsteps. They came and were welcomed!

Also of ordinary citizens who have them demonstrate respect, attention, curiosity swallowing their memories. Heard also words which have been waiting a long

time: from Director of the Office of the President Košice Ota Sabo and the Mayor Boris Hanuščaka city.

Words that their destiny is great reminder that they belonged Bardejov, belongs and will belong as equivalent citizens.

They felt that they were in town, which is and still the city that bears traces of life on them

ezanevrelo, and although it may be of head bowed, yet the

generational awakening to the understanding their fate. He wakes up and wants to remember what happened ... Remember forever!

Miron Kantul'ak (Editor of the paper)

The meeting was under the auspices of the Jewish survivors and their descendants in America the US Commission for the Protection of American Cultural Heritage Abroad, whose chairman is Warren L. Miller..The main organizer was the Bardejov Jewish Preservation Committee

> Foto: BN - Miron Kantulak Corrie Siegel Deportàcie: Abraham L. Grussgott, BARDE-JOV REMEMBERED a memorial to the... 1734 - 1945

## rátil



The words of sad memories, needed comfort, but also tears of deep sorrow and maybe luck of the meeting after many years, is carried by rail station at 15th Bardejov May 2012. The deportation of Jews passed exactly 70 years. And that was the reason for their meeting and at this point ...



Statistical data of the meeting

Meeting was organized by the Bardejov survivors and their descendants and relatives from around the world.

Official quests of the meeting was 130, in addition came an additional 30 individual participants Generational composition:

9% were members First generation, 45% were members of the second generation rest of the third generation and future generations. It came 17 couples.

The main age groups: 14-20 years - 11 people,

25 to 45 years - 29 people, 46 to 60 years - 41 persons

61 to 70 years - 25 people,

71-87 years 12 people. The most numerous were represented USA - 78 people, Israel - 36, Canada - 7

Australia - 3, Great Britain, Mexico.

Representatives USA were from California, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Texas.





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The certificate Bardejov" for a was accepted









Seven, "Righteous of Bardejov



Pavol Hudák majú nezmazateľnú osobnú blematiky osudu židovského obyvateľstva v ich života a vtlačení tejto smutnej kapitole nímania. Výrazná bola aj ich organizačná

- Kráčame po ich stopách.

immediacy, friendship,smiles, willingness ur friends and everyone who helped organize rail and traffic police for a sense of security drivers and minibuses for infinite patience, all for technical support, our friends y and help with cleaning, for borrowing mobile exhibition panels, pupils and students for their , private music school for musical presentations, irning candles, the flowers, the health service square but above all for the welcome end epresentatives of our church communities as an ilway station for smooth running, other materials ction of banners, media workers resources, ind meetings, the number of award-winning, not us a helping hand. Thank you to everyone who lked along with us. Thank you everyone who

...is hard to write, was also attended by survivors of

ed the unique atmosphere.

camps. We regret that not all who live ent. Certainly there were in our minds

Bleich - Australia, Bodner Yosef - Israel, nil Fish - USA, Ruchi Ungar Halberstam USA, Golde Schondorf Lefkovits - Canada ia Ungar Nagel - USA ...

illowed the tragedy of the Holocaust through fear, ignorance, apathy, or cooperation with the Nazis, there were several Slovak people from Bardejov and its environs, who were prepared o sacrifice and courageously gave assistance for survival and protection of the Jews and their families. The Bardejov Committee for the reservation of Jewish Heritage found seven people who for their goodness of humanity and declared Righteous from Bardejov. "Their names will forever scribed on the wall of the Holocaust commemorative garden in Bardejov. Honorary award certificate were given to their relatives or friends. These awards are based on research ,oral estimonies, official documents and historical ecords from this period. Bardejov Committee for the reservation of Jewish Heritage wants to tell the whole story of the Jewish community and will ontinue Bardejov research and finding information elp identify other non-Jewish population City, who helped Jews during their darkest hours

Adam Bomba the municipal police in Bardejov. Knew the city and its nearby forests and surroundings. With this knowledge he was able to help many Jews from Bardejov escape and was able to hide them in different places, including his own house. As a result, he saved many

Joseph Kisel was the postman and therefore had knowledge of those who were assigned to lists for deportation. When he learned the names, he warned these people to leave Bardelov immediately so they would be saved. He also provided many of them temporary shelter in his house. Francis Gabor was a merchant who lived in the square. A Jewish family running from the Gestapo, found his house and he helped to save their lives Stephen Tarcala helped several Jews who were hiding in the basement of the Neuman house on the Square

He provided them with food and necessary things and protected them until the end of the

Vasil Kyjovský hid and saved three Bardejov Jews in his house in a village near Hrabské. Andrej Židišin the Greek Catholic priest in the nearby village Rešov. He hid three Jewish families in his house and saved their lives. Anna Koperniaková protected Synagogue Bikur Cholim in Bardejov during the Holocaust. After the deportation of the Jews she put wood over the windows of the synagogue and locks on the doors to protect it from vandalism from local people and the Gestapo. With this act of Ms. Koperniakovej Synagogue Bikur Cholim remained intact, and many books and documents that were there were saved.

Honorary Awards and Certificates for the ' Righteous of Bardejov of "on behalf of the BardeiovJewish Preservation Committee were handed to relatives and in two cases to representatives of the council - Mayor of Rešov, Helene Jamroškovičovej and Mayor of Bardejov, Boris Hanuščakovi by Emil Fisch.

### História výboru Committee

### History

The Bardejov Committee for the Preservation of Jewish feritage was founded by Mr. Emil Fish, who survived the concentration camp at Bergen-Belsen and is a native of

In July 2005, Mr. Fish and his wife Jenny and son visited our city for the first time since 1949. After visiting the synagogue and Jewish cemetery he decided to assist in the restoration and protection of the precious heritage of the spiritual life of Bardejov's vanished Jewish community.

In 2008, Mr. Fish registered the committee in the United

The work of the committee is accomplished by Mr. Fish. Executive Director Ms. Diane Siegel, Associate Director Orit Stieglitz, Construction Coordinator for the Memorial



Eight survivors of the Jewish people Bardejov received States as a non-profit organization. souvenir gifts from Mayor Boris Hanuščak.

Osem preživších židovských obyvateľov Bardejova prevzalo od primátora Annette Nicole Perry and Secretary Nancy Ramirez. mesta Borisa Hanuščaka upomienkové darčeky.

### zachránili životy. Ich potomkovia prevzali ocenenia.



'Righteous of ancis Gabor v Mrs. Klein



The certificate of 'Righteous of Bardejov for "Stephen Tarcalu was accepted by his son Joseph.



The certificate of 'Righteous of Bardejov for Vasila Kyjovského was accepted by his son Jan.



The certificate of 'Righteous of Bardejov for Andreja Židišina was accepted by the Mayor of Restova.



The certificate of 'Righteous of Bardejov for Annu Koperniakovú was accepted by the Mayor



