

REMEMBERING THE HOLOCAUST

By Marta Fuchs, MLS, MFT

Why I Could Write a Positive Holocaust Book?

In anticipation of April's Holocaust Remembrance Day (Yom HaShoah) we are printing the rather unusual article below by Marta Fuchs, Hungarian-born daughter of Holocaust survivors and author of the new book, *Legacy of Rescue: A Daughter's Tribute*. Although many in her family were murdered by the Nazis, Fuchs grew up learning that not everyone is evil and that, in fact, many good-hearted souls rose above to show kindnesses small and large who defied the Nazis to save their lives.

I am a member of a generation that wasn't supposed to have been born...

...living proof that Hitler's Final Solution to whatever questions he had about the Jewish people didn't succeed completely.

"How can you write such an uplifting Holocaust book? How can you speak so positively about what happened, given what happened?" How could I not, I reply. I'm filled with gratitude for my parents' love and protection; for giving me a sense of family connection and continuity by telling me about life and people before; for recounting the sorrowful details of their Holocaust past while also honoring the individuals who showed them human kindness in those abandoned days.

Born in Hungary after the war into the remnants of the once thriving Tokaj Jewish community, my brother and I as children only knew the bare outlines of what happened to our parents. When we came across old sepia photographs of people we didn't recognize, Mom and Dad explained with just one word: *elpusztultak*, they perished. The "sz" in Hungarian equivalent to an "s" in English, to my child's ear it sounded like *poof!* They vanished. How can people simply disappear without a trace, I wondered?

Dad never even considered himself a Holocaust survivor. "I was only in labor camp. It's your mother who is the survivor." We knew that Mom and her sisters had been in some terrible place called Auschwitz where someone named Mengele decided we would never know our grandparents. We knew that Dad was the sole survivor of *his* family. His older brother, two older sisters, and all their six children also "remained in Auschwitz."

It would be three decades later in America that we started asking. Until then, there was a conspiracy of silence, borne from kindness and necessity, each generation protecting the other by not talking and moving forward. After all, they had to rebuild their lives from nothing, and not once but twice, first after liberation in 1945, and then again after we escaped in the wake of the 1956 Hungarian Revolution.

In their Auschwitz barrack a few hours after arrival, already in rags, completely shorn, so quickly dehumanized, my aunt Bözsi *néni* asked the woman

in charge, "Where are our parents? When am I going to see them?" "Look outside, they are going up in smoke there," pointing to the chimney. I thought that I would kill her."

Through countless, naked selections they managed to live and still be useful; so they were taken out to other camps. In Magdeburg, they worked in a factory.

"They had a machine," Mom described, "and I had to push it in and be careful not to cut my hand. The *Obermeister* came and told me, 'Mein Kind, my child, be careful.' He was a nice elderly man. He said, 'You know, many people cut the hand in this machine. You know what happens when you cut the hand.' You're not useful so they take you to the crematorium."

Mom continued, telling me about another kind soul. "And where we went for water we saw beets on the ground and they were frozen because it was winter. We took a couple of them and the German of course yelled at us. And the owner who gave the water said that the beets are *his*, that we may have them. And all of us started to cry. And

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Years ago, the word "retirement" might have evoked images of white-haired couples sitting in rocking chairs. But living longer and enjoying better health, retirement has become an extremely active phase of life in which many finally have time to devote to causes and interests that have previously taken a backseat to careers or family obligations. The Boomer Generation is brimming with enough energy, life experience and professional knowledge to benefit volunteer organizations of every kind.

Helping Troops, Military Families and Veterans. Opportunities abound for retired military personnel and civilian retirees wishing to lend a hand and show their gratitude to veterans or active servicemen and women. **USO** volunteers help with everything from greeting troops as they return from overseas tours and making hot coffee in USO offices to providing warm meals and warm blankets to troops on airport layovers while they're awaiting flights. The Veterans Affairs Volunteer Service Program of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (**VAVS**) supports wounded veterans and others throughout the VA medical care system. **VAVS** volunteers also provide services to homeless veterans and help to honor veterans by creating and maintaining shrines and tributes through their work with the National Cemetery.

Working with Children. Retirees living far from their grandchildren might especially enjoy the rewards of volunteering with children. **The Senior Corps Foster Grandparent** program connects volunteers age 55 and over with children in Head Start centers, schools and other youth. The **Big Brothers Big Sisters** organization gives adult volunteers the chance to build lasting one-on-one relationships with children in need of caring adults in their lives.

Many children's hospitals rely on vol-

unteers for activities such as tutoring patients, reading stories, monitoring playrooms and assisting families with whatever they may need.

Docent or Tour Guide. The retirement years provide seniors with many opportunities to turn their lifelong hobbies into full-time volunteer pursuits, or to learn more about topics that have long held their interests. Universities, museums, and other public and private organizations frequently offer docent programs that train volunteers to lead tours, preserve landmarks or educate visitors. Many botanical gardens, historical sites and land conservation groups offer similar opportunities for volunteers to learn on the job.

Retirees' Helping Retirees'. Retirees' volunteer efforts serve scores of people in need, including other seniors. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration on Aging (AOA) funds lower-cost, non-medical "aging services" through its Senior Corps program, which includes transportation, meal delivery and in-home assistance with eating, bathing and dressing. Operating through a network of state and local service providers, the goal is to offer direct services that enable retirees to remain in their own homes with the same or improved quality of life.

Library Helpers. Libraries have been hit hard by local economic problems. The good news is that retirees looking for volunteering opportunities can give back by hitting the books. Underfunded libraries are teeming with volunteer opportunities, including reading, writing and instruction in English as a second language.

Many boomers volunteer by helping those who can't help themselves. In 2009, over 5 million households in the United States accessed emergency food from a local food pantry. Organizations like **Feeding America** provide free, healthy meals for over 37 million Americans each year, and the overwhelming majority of the people who work at community food pantries and soup kitchens are volunteers. **Soup kitchens** are a wonderful volunteer opportunity for baby boomers who are experienced home cooks and food lovers. Here's a chance to share your passion and your gifts with people who are going through hard times. If you don't know a chef's knife from a potato peeler, you can still help stock supplies in the kitchen, serve meals to patrons and clean up at night.

If you can lift a hammer, you can volunteer for **Habitat for Humanity**. Habitat for Humanity is always looking for qualified baby boomers with construction, carpentry, architecture or design experience to join its work crews across the United

States. If you don't have the right work experience, you can still help out as a "gofer" on the job site.

In addition to its flagship construction program, Habitat also offers two-week international volunteer opportunities through its Global Village program. Even RV enthusiasts can get in on the act: A program called **RV Care-A-Vanners** allows road-roaming boomers to sign up with work crews for two-week build projects, including disaster relief.

There are many jobs out there for a **national parks volunteer**. There are over 390 national parks in the U.S. Each of them relies on teams of volunteers to serve visitors directly and help out behind the scenes: Giving guided nature tours; Clearing and maintaining hiking trails; Giving historical demonstrations in costume or period dress; Teaching a skill like maple syrup production or orienteering through classes; Serving at an information or help desk

Every national park is different, and some offer once-in-a-lifetime outdoors experiences for baby boomers. A great example is the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore in Wisconsin, home to more historic lighthouses than any other national park. Lucky volunteers can spend anywhere from several weeks to a full summer living and operating one of the eight island lighthouses.

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Apply For Social Security Now ... or Later?

When it comes to the question of Social Security income, the choice looms large. Should you apply now to get earlier payments? Or wait for a few years to get larger checks?

When Should You Apply for Social Security Benefits?

Consider a few factors first...



Provided by Tim Stasinoulas, RFC

Consider what you know (and don't know). You know how much retirement money you have; you may have a clear projection of retirement income from other potential sources. Other factors aren't as foreseeable. You don't know exactly how long you will live, so you can't predict your lifetime Social Security payout. You may even end up returning to work again.

When are you eligible to receive full benefits? The answer may be found online at socialsecurity.gov/retire2/agereduction.htm.

How much smaller will your check be if you apply at 62? The answer varies. As an example, let's take someone born in 1952. For this baby boomer, the full retirement age is 66. If that baby boomer decides to retire in 2014 at 62, his/her monthly Social Security benefit will be reduced 25%. That boomer's spouse would see a 30% reduction in monthly benefits.

Should that boomer elect to work past full retirement age, his/her benefit checks will increase by 8.0% for every additional full year spent in the workforce. (To be precise, his/her benefits will increase by .67% for every month worked past full retirement age.) So it really may pay to work longer.

Remember the earnings limit. Let's put our hypothetical baby boomer through another example. Our boomer decides to apply for Social Security at age 62 in 2014, yet stays in the workforce. If he/she earns more than \$15,480 in 2014, the Social Security Administration will withhold \$1 of every \$2 earned over that amount.

How does the SSA define "income"? If you work for yourself, the SSA considers your net earnings from self-employment to be your income. If you work for an employer, your wages equal your earned income. (Different rules apply for those who get Social Security disability benefits or Supplemental Security Income checks.)

Please note that the SSA does not count investment earnings, interest, pensions, annuities and capital gains toward the current \$15,480 earnings limit.

Some fine print worth noticing. If you reach full retirement age in 2014, then the SSA will deduct \$1 from your benefits for each \$3 you earn above \$41,400 in the months preceding the month you reach full retirement age. So if you hit full retirement age early in 2014, you are less likely to be hit with this withholding.

Did you know that the SSA may define you as retired even if you aren't? This actually amounts to the SSA giving you a break. In 2014 - assuming you are eligible for Social Security benefits - the SSA will consider you

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4 Great Green Technologies to Celebrate Earth Day

Just as intended, the 44th annual celebration of Earth Day on April 22 will be surrounded by talk of our environment, our impact on it and what we can do to better live in harmony with it. "We're seeing more and more people who realize that, if each of us does what we can every day, collectively, we can have a tremendous impact," says Lynda Chervil, a thought leader and green technology advocate whose new book, "Fool's Return," (www.lyndachervil.com/), mirrors real-life efforts to develop sustainable energy sources.

"All the people carrying reusable grocery sacks, people who've quit the plastic water bottle habit, folks heating their pools or houses with solar panels – that's what we should be celebrating this Earth Day."

This year's March Gallup Environment poll found that 42 percent of Americans believe the outlook for the environment has improved, up from only 26 percent in 2008.

Chervil, who studies the science behind green technology, says environmental awareness has ramped up production of affordable goods that can shrink individuals' carbon footprints. She shares four devices she says would make a nice gift for Mother Earth on her day.

Environmental Advocate Shares Affordable Gadgets that Shrink Your Footprint – and Your Bills

HybridLight Solar Flashlight: These flashlights never need batteries, can be charged from any light source, and they always work. The 120 lumens model will burn for eight hours on one charge. HybridLight's flashlights are so reliable, the Boy Scouts' Utah National Parks Council endorse them – and they come with a lifetime guarantee. For every 10 hours of use, 100 HybridLight flashlights avert 60 pounds of toxic battery landfill waste. An added very cool note – HybridLights has a mission to light up corners of the world with little or no electricity. Recently, the company supplied everyone in a Kenyan village with their own flashlight. Cost: Prices start at less than \$20.

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Pama Eco Navigator Satellite Navigation system: This GPS system also saves gasoline by providing you with the most energy-efficient routes to your destinations, and feedback on your car's performance, so you can adjust your driving habits to improve your gas mileage. It also saves all your routes, so you can assess their fuel efficiency. Cost: Watch for pricing and availability on Amazon.

"Most of these items are not only budget priced, they save you money in batteries, electricity and fuel," Chervil says. "Not only are you doing something great for the planet when you use green technology, you're taking a load off your wallet."

Lynda Chervil is the author of "Fool's Return," <http://lyndachervil.com/>, a new novel that incorporates valuable life lessons in a page-turning tale that touches on technology, the green movement, and other aspects of contemporary society.

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he said to the German, 'This will not always be like this.' He dared to say it, I don't even know how, that this is his land and these are his beets and 'these frozen beets, how can you begrudge it from them?'

"And I remember," my mother's youngest sister Sárka *néni* recounted, "once when I started working at this machine, I saw that a young *hafling* who didn't work far from me was watching me. Then when I was allowed to go to the bathroom he started to say, 'boudoir, boudoir.' Well, I thought that he said it with a different accent, with a French accent, and then, before I went into the bathroom he kissed me. Well, I say to myself, there's nothing wrong with this, it's worse if they hit you. And the next day, close to Christmas, they got packages. And when no one was looking, a honey heart, a *pogácsa* he gave me in a package. I never saw this person again. I was so full of hope, that you see a human being who is good to you, even if you can't speak his language."

I know why my father survived and his name is Zoltán Kubinyi, the Commanding Officer in charge of Dad's labor battalion, number 108/52, comprised of Jewish men from the northeastern countryside of Hungary. A devout Seventh Day Adventist and a conscientious objector with no gun in his holster, Zoltán Kubinyi defied Nazi orders to have the men be liquidated as Germany was losing the war and there was no more need for them. Upon liberation by the Russian Army, he was captured as a POW, died a year later of typhus in a Siberian labor camp, and was buried in an unmarked grave. His final resting place though is where I visited him, in the Garden of the Righteous at Yad Vashem where a wall bears his name, having been honored posthumously as a Righteous Gentile due to my father's testimony. I placed four stones on that wall, one for each of my father's grandchildren, and said *Kaddish*.

From his hospital room a week before he died, my father dictated to me some messages for the grandchildren. As he sat up in bed, you could see that *he* could see each one of them standing before him. Some excerpts, the latter ones to my son Jacob, 16 at the time, two years before going off to college:

· Be friendly and polite to everybody. Never wait for people to say hello. · If someone needs some help and you can help, I'm sure you will help them. · Don't associate with bad people. Make sure all your friends are intelligent, responsible people and it won't cause you any trouble. Love them, study together, spend time together, enjoy life. · What you study is the most important. There is going to pop up something what you like to do. · And what you do, take it with good feeling: I love to do it, and you do the work. · If have a boss, be respectful and follow his advice and directions.

"I can't imagine never knowing such a wonderful man as Grandpa," my daughter Sophie says. "And I can't help but think a lot about Zoltán Kubinyi, who rescued Grandpa. I've only known this man through stories and already he feels like part of the family. I can't help but think that if this *mensch* of a man hadn't had an ounce of compassion in his heart, my Grandpa would never have been here. It is amazing to think about one single person making a difference in so many lives."

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When should you apply for Social Security benefits?

"retired" if a) you are under full retirement age for the entire year and b) your monthly earnings are \$1,290 or less. If you are self-employed, eligible to receive benefits and under full retirement age for the entire year, the SSA generally considers you "retired" if you work less than 15 hours a month at your business.

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- ~Send an email or text message to a nurse or diabetes educator when you have questions.
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"No, they went to town" said the boy. "How about your brother, Howard? Is he here?" asked the farmer. "No, he went with Mom and Dad" the boy answered.

The farmer stood there for a few minutes, shifting from one foot to the other, and mumbling to himself. "I know where all the tools are, if you want to borrow one, or I can give Dad a message," said the boy.

"Well," said the farmer uncomfortably, "I really wanted to talk to your Dad. It's about your brother Howard getting my daughter Suzy pregnant".

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Checking out at the store...

...the young cashier suggested to me the other day, that I should bring my own grocery bags because plastic bags weren't good for the environment. I apologized and explained, "We didn't have this green thing back in my earlier days." The clerk responded, "That's our problem today. Your generation did not save our environment for future generations." She was right — our generation didn't have the green thing in its day.

Back then, **we returned milk bottles, soda bottles and beer bottles to the store.** The store sent them back to the plant to be washed and sterilized and refilled, so it could use the same bottles over and over. **So they really were recycled.** But we didn't have the green thing back in our day.

Grocery stores bagged our **groceries in brown paper bags**, that we **reused** for numerous things, most memorable besides household **garbage bags**, was the use of **brown paper bags as book covers** for our school books.

This was to ensure that public property, (the books provided for our use by the school) was not defaced by our scribbles. Then we were able to personalize our books. But too bad we didn't do the green thing back then.

We walked up stairs, because we didn't have an escalator in every store and office building. **We walked to the grocery store** and didn't climb into a 300-horsepower machine every time we had to go two blocks. But she was right. We didn't have the green thing in our day.

Back then, **we washed the baby's diapers** because we didn't have the throw-away kind. **We dried clothes on a line**, not in an energy gobbling machine burning up 220 volts — wind and solar power really did dry our clothes back then. **Kids got hand-me-down clothes** from their brothers or sisters, not always brand-new clothing. But that young lady is right; we didn't have the green thing back in our day.

Back then, **we had one TV, or radio**, in the house — not a TV in every room. And the TV had a small screen the size of a handkerchief (remember them?), not a screen the size of the state of Montana. In the kitchen, **we blended and stirred by hand** because we didn't have electric machines to do everything for us. When we packaged a **fragile item to send in the mail**, **we used wadded up old newspapers** to cushion it, not Styrofoam or plastic bubble wrap. Back then, we didn't fire up an engine and burn gasoline just to cut the lawn. **We used a push mower** that ran on human power. **We exercised by working** so we didn't need to go to a health club to run on treadmills that operate on electricity. But she's right; we didn't have the green thing back then.

We drank from a fountain when we were thirsty instead of using a cup or a plastic bottle every time we had a drink of water. **We refilled writing pens** with ink instead of buying a new pen, and **we replaced the razor blades in a razor** instead of throwing away the whole razor just because the blade got dull. But we didn't have the green thing back then.

Back then, people took the **streetcar or a bus** and **kids rode their bikes to school** or walked instead of turning their moms into a 24-hour taxi service. **We had one electrical outlet in a room**, not an entire bank of sockets to power a dozen appliances. And we didn't need a computerized gadget to receive a signal beamed from satellites 2,000 miles out in space in order to find the nearest burger joint.

How wasteful we older folks were just because **we didn't have the green thing back then!???** Recycle *that* you silly little young thing!

A little boy opened the big family Bible...

He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out of the Bible. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed in between the pages.

"Mama, look what I found," the boy called out.

"What have you got there, dear?"

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My last boyfriend had a lot in common with the tires on my car.

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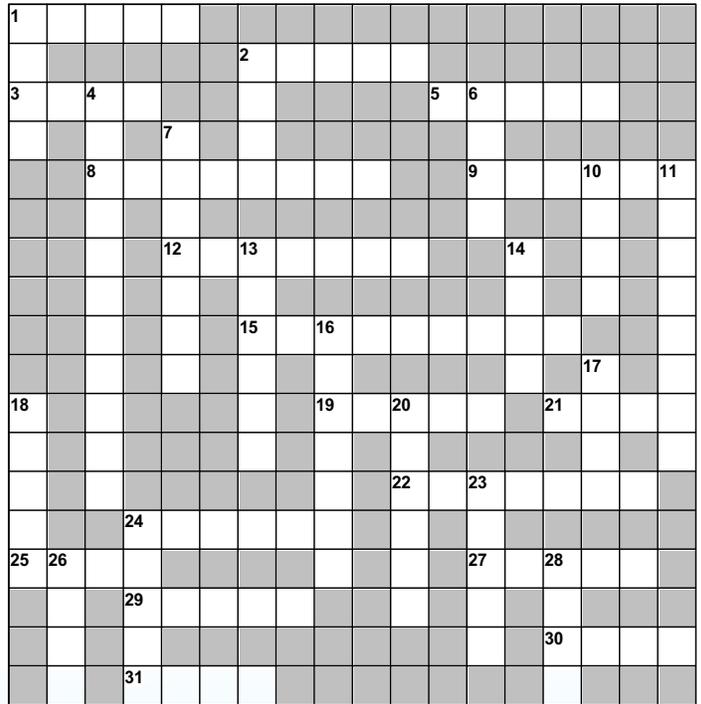


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2. Place of occurrence
3. Used to bake in
5. Absence of color
8. Combining things
9. Not private
12. Daydream
15. Used in place of we or us
19. Utilizing
21. Prone to ACL damage
22. Where the train stops
24. Brings the tea
25. Twosome
27. All by yourself
29. Layered vegetable
- 30 Homonym of tail
31. Home of the Robin

DOWN

1. Preposition
2. Skins response to insects sting
4. Very fancy
6. Used to kiss with
7. In opposition to
10. End of the line
11. This puzzle was designed on...
13. Conductors last call
14. Insect circus performer
16. Sour stalk used for pie
17. Not out of
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23. Once more
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