

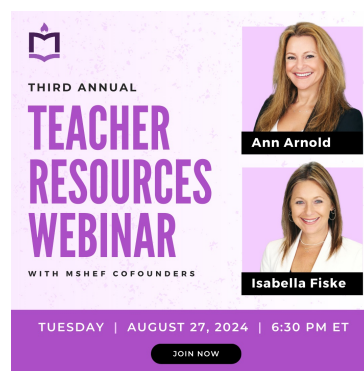


Empowered Insights

EMPOWERING THROUGH EDUCATION

MSHEF Holocaust Education Grant applications open **TOMORROW!**

Forward this to educators you know who could benefit from a Holocaust education grant. They can also join our Co-founders, Ann Arnold and Isabella Fiske, for our [Third Annual Teacher Resources Webinar](#). Attend the Zoom and learn about available programs and resources, and how our grants can bring them into your classroom. **Mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 27, 6:30 pm EST.**



REGISTER NOW



Holocaust Education Database

We're building a **nationwide database of Holocaust education resources** designed specifically for teachers.

If your organization would like to be added to the list, please take our [5-minute survey](#).

By participating, your organization will help teachers find the right resources based on location, age group, cost, format and type.

JOIN OUR DATABASE

SPOTLIGHT



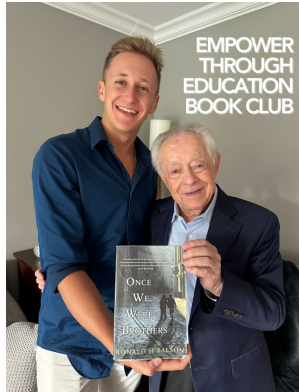
[Ronald H. Balson](#)

Ronald H. Balson is the author of many Holocaust and WWII books. During the early 2000s, a complex telecommunications lawsuit took Ron to Warsaw,

Zamosc, Nowy Sacz and other Polish cities. While working in Poland, Ron was profoundly affected by the scars and memorials of World War II which inspired him to write *Once We Were Brothers*, his first novel and an international best seller.



Author, Ronald H. Balson



We're spotlighting Ronald as the author of the first book in our new monthly book club, the **Empower Through Education Book Club!**

This first book is near to our family's hearts. "**Once We Were Brothers**" is the favorite book of Mark Schonwetter's grandson, Jason. It is a compelling tale of two boys and a family who struggle to survive in war-torn Poland, and a young love that endures the unspeakable cruelty of the Holocaust. Make sure to follow us on [Instagram](#) to stay up to date on the Empower Through Education Book Club!

READ ONCE WE WERE BROTHERS

KINDNESS



Holocaust survivor, **Léon Lewkowicz**, carried the Olympic torch at the Paris Olympics. A survivor of the Warsaw ghetto and Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp, Léon carried the torch from the Bir-hakim metro station to the Vel d'Hiv Memorial Garden. More than 4,000 Jewish children are honored in this tiny garden near the Eiffel Tower, who were arrested by French police, and murdered at Auschwitz-Birkenau.



Léon arrived in France in June of 1945 at the age of 15 weighing only 72 lbs. Emaciated but emancipated, he was determined to create a new life. He promised himself that he would never again be defeated by terror, or called a dirty Jew. At the age of 19, he became the strongest man in France, and eventually a weightlifting champion.

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IN THE NEWS





[Jewish News Syndicate](#) wrote about the impact of our Foundation and Mark's story.

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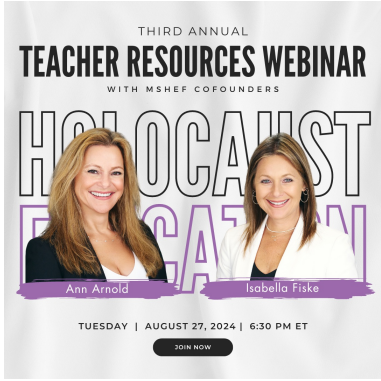
[Great Day Colorado](#) covered how participating in Journey For The Living can create a brighter and more inclusive world.

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[ABC News Baltimore](#) met with our co-founder, Ann Arnold, to spread our mission of a future filled with kindness and respect.

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EVENTS



3rd Annual Teacher Resources Webinar

Educators! Join MSHEF Co-Founders, Ann Arnold & Isabella Fiske for their third annual Teacher Resources Webinar, where they discuss the Holocaust education opportunities available to teachers nationwide.

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MSHEF Grants Open August 15!

4th-12th grade educators, universities, colleges, school clubs and organizations will soon be able to apply for an MSHEF Grant! Forward this email to a teacher and encourage them to apply!

[LEARN MORE](#)



Clear the Grant List! Help Fund our Grant Applications

Back-to-school season is here and we expect a record number of teachers to apply for an MSHEF Grant! **Starting September 1st, help us Clear the Grant List** to fund our growing list of grant applications! Your support will ensure that teachers nationwide have the resources needed to provide impactful Holocaust education. Stay tuned for details!

Thank you for being a part of our community! We hope our monthly EmpowerED Insights has inspired you to empower your own community through education in honor of our mission to [#EmpowerThroughEducation](#).



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