

Stories of Hope From the Holocaust;
Public Is Invited to
Springfield Technical Community College
on October 29

“One of the great untold stories of the Holocaust was that of the thousands of children who, like me, survived by hiding or being hidden from the Nazis,” says Abraham Fox, national director of the Anti-Defamation League.

On Thursday morning, October 29, Jane Marks Hart, author of *The Hidden Children: Secret Survivors of the Holocaust*, will present a reading from her book at Springfield Technical Community College, discussing these survivors and their powerful message of healing. The public is invited to attend the presentation, which will be held at 9:30 a.m. and again at 11:00 a.m. in the 7th floor conference center of Scibelli Hall at STCC.

Hart said, “I wanted to write a book to leave a lasting record of how these children lived in hiding; to make the world aware of the exceptional courage and goodness that emerged in the midst of unspeakable tragedy and destruction; and to show how healing can truly begin – even 50 years later.”

The Hidden Children, which was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize, has also been published in England, Canada, Australia, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Italy and Turkey.

Hart is an artist and an art therapist who has worked extensively with people, often children, with cancer. Her previous books have provided guidance for parents, self-help for teens, relationship advice, and a guide to counseling and therapy.

Hart’s appearance is part of the Ovation series of cultural and educational special events, and is made possible by the Chicopee Savings Bank Endowment for Academic Excellence, the STCC Office of Academic Affairs, and the Honors Program. For more information contact Professor Linda Harrington at 755-4254.