



JGS of Greater Miami

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Miami

In collaboration with

Temple Beth Am Library

Sunday Salon Special Event!!

Sunday, April 22, 2018 at 10:00 am

Temple Beth Am Library

5950 SW 88 Street, Miami Florida 33156

Leah's Journey

Saved by

Aristides De Sousa Mendes

The Righteous Among Nations

Told by her daughter

Rebecca (Steppel-Dykan) Barber

A Journey of Faith, Hope, and Survival

Caught within the ever-approaching steel jaws of Nazi exterminators, a nineteen-year-old German Jewish girl keeps a diary written as she and her family desperately flee Europe for their lives. Across European

countries, they endured to preserve their lives one hour, one day at a time-always one step ahead. Leah's Journey is a true story of Rebecca's mother that begs to be shared. The entries are at times frightening, fraught with danger, yet filled with a trust in the Almighty and her lucky star. Last June Rebecca (Steppel) Barber and her husband journeyed with other descendants saved by the Righteous Gentile, Aristides De Sousa Mendes, as they recreated the flight for life beginning in Bordeaux and concluding in Lisbon, Portugal. Led by the Sousa Mendes Foundation many of the travelers could find exact locations their parents and grandparents walked, hid or lived while waiting for passports and safe passage. The journey culminated with a private audience with President Marcelo de Sousa at the Portuguese Presidential Palace.

AN AMAZING INSIGHT INTO LITTLE KNOWN WWII HISTORY

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