March 16, 2016

Dear Colleagues,

Please give us 15 minutes of your time on April 7, to read the names of the victims of the Holocaust.

On Thursday, April 7, 2016, FIT will commemorate the Holocaust with the annual Reading of the Names of Holocaust Victims which will take place from 9 am to noon and 2 pm to 5 pm in the FIT Dining Hall in the Dubinsky Building. By reading some of the names of the over six million victims of the Holocaust, we give a face to the forgotten victims whose lives were cut short by genocide.

The Holocaust Commemoration Committee is inviting you to participate in this important event by asking you to read names for a scheduled time of 15 minutes. If you have 15 minutes during the day to be in the Dubinsky Dining Hall to read a series of names, please contact extension 7-3573 (212-217-3573) to tell them your availability or email mina_friedmann@fitnyc.edu or fran_kalish@fitnyc.edu. If you have family members or personal names you would like to read, feel free to bring your own list, read them first and then return to the prepared list of names.

At 1pm, FIT will host Dr. Rochelle Saidel, founder and executive director of the Remember the Women Institute. She has proven that rape and sexual abuse has remained the last frontier for inclusion in women's stories in the Holocaust narrative and is a significant component of the study of Holocaust history. The lecture is open to the entire FIT community and surrounding area.

We hope you can participate in these special events and encourage your students to do so. Again, please call ext. 7-3573 or email the above, if you are able to participate in the reading of names.

Many thanks,
Roberta Paley
Chair, Holocaust Commemoration Committee