

Message from Ichiro Fujisaki, Japanese Ambassador to U.S.A.

Congratulations Chloe.

I enjoyed reading your essay. You mentioned a quote from a Holocaust survivor that, "One individual's act of kindness can save lives." This corresponds, with the spirits of Chiune Sugihara.

As I have said before, what is important are the following three points:

Number one: There is nothing above humanity and individual deeds count;

Number Two: We must remember what good things other people have done; and

Number Three: To pass on the torch of such memory to the next generation.

Your essay shows that what Mr. Sugihara did 60 years ago is still remembered and is still being passed on to a younger generation.

I am also grateful for the ADL in conducting such a worthwhile essay contest among young people. I am grateful for the efforts of all the people involved in this event.

Thank you very much.

Ichiro Fujisaki