

SECOND PLACE MIDDLE SCHOOL ART

Hope in a Hayloft

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“Hope In a Hayloft” shows a crucial moment in Leo Diamanstein’s testimony when he and his siblings fled to a hayloft in a small, mountainous community where they were treated warmly. This hospitality, regardless of discrimination, shone a ray of hope upon the Diamansteins’ circumstances. By doing what was right, the townspeople, despite life-threatening dangers, showed courage against oppression. They held the lives of the Jews they were hiding to be as important as their own lives. During this year, when life is so full of uncertainties, Leo Diamanstein’s story continues to remind me to value the lives of others and to bring hope.



