

Record in 10 seconds and get all the cameras, get all the decks working right. OK.

I just wanted to say that, when I looked at this-- this is a pin that I wore. And it's-- we had a false name or a different name than our real name. And it was Schurmans that we went by.

And it's got 1944 Zurich, Switzerland on it written on the back. And while we were in Switzerland, I have pictures at home that show that we lived in a group, and there were a lot of little children my age, little babies. And I don't know exactly too much about it, but I know that it had-- this pin was something that little babies wore. And I'll just read what it says. [SPEAKING GERMAN]

And I think what it means is nothing will come between us in danger or need. I think that's the translation. I'm not 100% sure. So I just wanted to talk about that, and I wanted to say that.

So did you wear that?

I wore then. I've had it as long as I remember, my whole life. And my mother told me that I wore this. So there's some connection to that.

And who gave these to the children?

I don't know. But I know that I have pictures of me in a basket and other little children, and mothers standing around it. So maybe it was just a daycare center. I don't know. Because it has this other name on it-- I don't know why it has another name on there except that we probably had an assumed name.

Were all these children living near the farm, on the farm?

No, this was not on the farm. This was before the farm.

This was when you and your mother just arrived?

Just arrived in Switzerland.

Was this before you found your father?

My father is in none of these pictures, so I believe so.

So this might have been some sort of daycare center where you, and your mother, and all these other people lived?

Right. And maybe they were refugees. Because I know Switzerland, I read, took Jews in at first. And then they limited it to young children-- or young women or pregnant women. So I think my mother got in with me just in time because I read that they turned back a lot of people. Later they had a quota.

So do you think at the daycare center they gave out these pendants for the kids, for the children.

I think so, yeah, for identification. All right.

Is there anything else that you remember about that daycare or Switzerland?

No, nothing that I remember. But I do remember this. Like you said, I'll probably remember things later. But right now that's what I wanted to say.

We can do a close-up.

I got to blow my nose.

So we're recording again. This is the medal that you were just talking about here. We're recording a shot of it.

If you can just say again what it is while it's a close-up.

This is the-- I guess it's a pendant-- I don't know what you call it-- that I wore as a baby when I first came to Switzerland. And the words are [GERMAN]-- I can't read anyway. But you can see it's a picture of a woman holding a child. So it's a children's-- a protective children thing.

And on the back is-- my name is Helene Schurmans, which is a non-Jewish name. And the date, 6-- well, 6-- I think it's 6/12/42, which is my birthday. I think that's what it says there. And Ruti, which is a city in Switzerland.

And tell us about this photo, please.

This is my uncle, my mother's youngest brother, who was probably about 17 or 18 when he disappeared, and went out of the house for a walk or something and never came back. And nobody knows really exactly what happened to him. And his name was Herzog [PERSONAL NAME]. And I just wanted to show the picture in case anybody ever sees it and they know anything about him. I would really like to know about him.