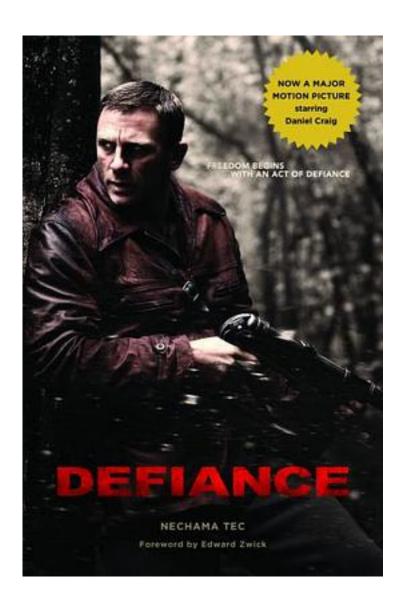
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The prevailing image of European Jews during the Holocaust is one of helpless victims, but in fact many Jews struggled against the terrors of the Third Reich. In Defiance, Nechama Tec offers a riveting history of one such group, a forest community in western Belorussia that would number more than 1,200 Jews by 1944--the largest armed rescue operation of Jews by Jews in World War II. Tec reveals that this extraordinary community included both men and women, some with weapons, but mostly unarmed, ranging from infants to the elderly. She reconstructs for the first time the amazing details of how these partisans and their families--hungry, exposed to the harsh winter weather--managed not only to survive, but to offer protection to all Jewish fugitives who could find their way to them.

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Nechama Tec (née Bawnik)[1] is a Professor Emerita of Sociology at the University of Connecticut.[2] She is a noted Holocaust scholar, and is the author of the book Defiance: The Bielski Partisans (Oxford University Press, 1993, ISBN 0195075951) on which the 2008 film Defiance is based.

She was born in Lublin, Poland to a family of Polish Jews in 1931,[3] and was 8 years old in 1939 when Poland was invaded by Germany.[4] She survived the Holocaust thanks to her life being saved by Polish Catholics.[4][5] After the war she immigrated to Israel and later moved to the United States, where she earned a doctorate at Columbia University.[4]

She is the mother of film director Roland Tec.[6]

Nechama Tec was initially shocked by the changes made in adapting her book to make the film Defiance. The Bielski partisans, for example, never actually went into battle against Third Reich tanks. However, after seeing the film a number of times, she confessed to liking it "more and more."

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