

A Finding Aid to the David and Rosalie Deitz Papers

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Collection Summary

Title David and Rosalie Deitz Papers

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Deitz, David Creator Deitz, Rosalie

Extent 3.6 linear feet (9 Hollinger boxes)

Language of the Material English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch

David (1902-1981) and Rosalie Nathanson Deitz (1907-1978) were natives of Trenton, New Jersey where they were active participants and leaders in the Jewish, cultural and civic life of their community.

David Deitz was an attorney who served as president of Temple Har Sinai Reform Congregation from 1959 to 1961. He was also an instrumental member in the association that built the Trenton Jewish Community Center whose Bath House and Day Camp Pavilion are regarded as seminal early works by the iconic Jewish modern architect, Louis I. Kahn.

Rosalie Deitz was twice awarded the George Washington Medal from the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge. The first medal was awarded for her efforts in 1955 as Chairman of Pageant Presentation and Special Events on the Trenton Committee of 300 which produced and staged "Unto This Day," a dramatic pageant depicting the 300 year history of Jews in American life. The second award was for Rosalie's creation of Trenton historical bus tours during New Jersey's tercentenary.

Rosalie led the State House Historic District Association and in 1960 she organized a charter study for a change in Trenton's government. In 1964, Rosalie was publicity chairman for "Montgomery to Montgomery," a depiction of the Freedom Movement in narration, song and poetry performed by Coretta Scott King. She was appointed president of the Trenton City Museum and was a 1977 Brotherhood Award honoree of the National Conference of Christians & Jews, Mercer County Chapter. Rosalie Deitz also served as president of the Trenton Section, National Council of Jewish Women. She founded the Nearly New charity shop and served on the boards of the League of Women Voters, Trenton College Club, P.T.A., People-to-People, Y.W.C.A., Council on Human Relations and the NAACP.

Rosalie and David Deitz were the parents of a son, Mark, and daughters, Paula and Cynthia.

Scope and Content

Correspondence, writings, and other materials relating to courtship, immigration, and daily life in Trenton, N.J.

Access Restrictions

Letters of David and Rosalie Deitz are restricted to the Director of American Jewish Archives.

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Personal Names Deitz, David

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