

A Finding Aid to the Lillian A. Friedberg Papers

Manuscript Collection No. 283



Collection Summary

Title Lillian A. Friedberg Papers

Dates 1913-1975 **Collection Number** MS-283

Repository The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives

Friedberg, Lillian A., 1897-1978 Creator 4.8 linear feet (12 Hollinger boxes) **Extent**

Language of the Material English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch Lillian Adlow Friedberg was born on 18 December 1897 in Boston, Massachusetts, the daughter of Eastern European immigrants who arrived in the United States in the 1880s. Growing up in Boston, she attended the Dillaway School (1904-1910) and the Girls' Latin School (1910-1914). She studied history, English and government at Radcliffe College, where she earned both a Bachelor and Master of Arts degree. In 1918 she married Emanuel Friedberg. They settled in Pittsburgh, where her husband established a medical practice.

> Friedberg was known for her active leadership and participation in community organizations in the Pittsburgh area. She was the Executive Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of Pittsburgh from 1943-1965, at that time the only female Executive Director of a JCRC organization throughout the country. Friedberg also worked as a professional lecturer affiliated with the Jewish Center Lecture Bureau. In addition to the above, Friedberg was the President of the Radcliffe Club of Western Pennsylvania, Conference of Jewish Women's Organizations and Adult Education Council of Greater Pittsburgh, Director of Education Programs for the Pittsburgh chapters of Hadassah and the National Council of Jewish Women, and Vice-President of the American Jewish Congress of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh branch of the American Association of University Women (of which she was also a board member). She served on a variety of boards including the Hebrew Institute, Allegheny County Committee on Fair Employment Practices, Ladies Hospital Aid Society, United Jewish Fund of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County Council on Civil Rights, and the Pittsburgh Conference of Christians and Jews. Friedberg was the author of works on education, women's status and role in modern affairs, international and community relations and peace, civil liberties and human (Jewish) welfare, and international and cultural relations.

Friedberg had two children, Judith and Simeon. She died in 1978.

Scope and Content

The Lillian Adlow Friedberg Papers consist of daybooks, writings and lectures, minutes and correspondence relating to Friedberg's activities in the Pittsburgh Jewish community. The "Daily Notes" document Friedberg's activities and work from 1943-1965, while the writings and lectures provide a hard copy of different presentations and topics she explored from her school days through to her professional work. The writings and lecture files also include some correspondence, often directly related to a specific lecture or writing of Friedberg. The Jewish Community Relations Council of Pittsburgh material consists of agendas and meeting minutes for the JCRC from 1951-1965. The miscellaneous materials include files on Friedberg's continued involvement with her high school, Girls' Latin School, as well as writings on Pittsburgh history, television scripts for local broadcasts, and awards received by Friedberg.

Arrangement

The collection has been arranged into four (4) series: A. Daily Notes, 1943-1965; B. Writings and Lectures, 1913-1975, undated; C. Jewish Community Relations Council, Pittsburgh, Pa., 1951-1965; D. Miscellaneous, 1948-1973, undated.

Terms of Access

The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.

Preferred Citation

Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Lillian A. Friedberg Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

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Provenance

Received from Lillian A. Friedberg, Pittsburgh, Pa., 1974.

Index Terms

Subjects Jewish women / Jews -- Pennsylvania -- Pittsburgh / Women civic leaders

Personal Names Friedberg, Lillian A. (Lillian Adlow), 1897-1978

Corporate Names Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Media Lectures / Minutes

Series A. Daily Notes, 1943-1965

Extent 1.6 linear feet (4 Hollinger boxes)

Arrangement The series is chronologically arranged.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. Daily notes, 1943

Box 1. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1944 January-October

Box 1. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1944 November-1945 May

Box 1. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1945 June-1946 May

Box 1. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1946 June-1947 March

Box 1. Folder 6. Daily notes, 1947 April-December

Box 1. Folder 7. Daily notes, 1948 January-September

Box 2. Folder 1. Daily notes, 1948 October-1949 March

Box 2. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1949 April-December

Box 2. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1950 January-December

Box 2. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1951

Box 2. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1952

Box 2. Folder 6. Daily notes, 1953

Box 2. Folder 7. Daily notes, 1954

Box 3. Folder 1. Daily notes, 1955

Box 3. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1956

Box 3. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1957

Box 3. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1958

Box 3. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1959

Box 3. Folder 6. Daily notes, 1960

Box 4. Folder 1. Daily notes, 1961

Box 4. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1962

Box 4. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1963

Box 4. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1964

Box 4. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1965

Box 1. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1944 January-October

Box 1. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1944 November-1945 May

Box 1. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1945 June-1946 May

Box 1. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1946 June-1947 March

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Box 1. Folder 6. Daily notes, 1947 April-December
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Box 1. Folder 7. Daily notes, 1948 January-September

Box 2. Folder 1. Daily notes, 1948 October-1949 March

Box 2. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1949 April-December

Box 2. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1950 January-December

Box 2. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1951

Box 2. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1952

Box 2. Folder 6. Daily notes, 1953

Box 2. Folder 7. Daily notes, 1954

Box 3. Folder 1. Daily notes, 1955

Box 3. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1956

Box 3. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1957

Box 3. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1958

Box 3. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1959

Box 3. Folder 6. Daily notes, 1960

Box 4. Folder 1. Daily notes, 1961

Box 4. Folder 2. Daily notes, 1962

Box 4. Folder 3. Daily notes, 1963

Box 4. Folder 4. Daily notes, 1964

Box 4. Folder 5. Daily notes, 1965

Series B. Writings and Lectures, 1913-1975, undated

Extent 2.8 linear feet (7 Hollinger boxes)

Arrangement The series is chronologically arranged.

Box and Folder Listing

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Box 4. Folder 6. Writings, lectures, notes, 1913-1918
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Box 5. Folder 1. Writings, lectures, notes, 1921-1929

Box 5. Folder 2. Writings, lectures, notes, 1930-1935

Box 5. Folder 3. Writings, lectures, notes, 1936-1937

Box 5. Folder 4. Writings, lectures, notes, 1938

Box 5. Folder 5. Writings, lectures, notes, correspondence, 1939

Box 5. Folder 6. Writings, lectures, notes, correspondence, 1940

Box 5. Folder 7. Writings, lectures, notes, 1941

Box 5. Folder 8. Writings, lectures, notes, correspondence, 1942

Box 6. Folder 1. Writings, lectures, notes, 1943

Box 6. Folder 2. Writings, lectures, notes, 1944

Box 6. Folder 3. Writings, lectures, notes, 1945

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Box 6. Folder 4. Writings, lectures, notes, 1946
Box 6. Folder 5. Writings, lectures, notes, 1947
Box 7. Folder 1. Writings, lectures, notes, 1948
Box 7. Folder 2. Writings, lectures, notes, 1949
Box 7. Folder 3. Writings, lectures, notes, 1950
Box 7. Folder 4. Writings, lectures, notes, 1951
Box 7. Folder 5. Writings, lectures, notes, 1952
Box 7. Folder 6. Writings, lectures, notes, 1953
Box 7. Folder 7. Writings, lectures, notes, 1954
Box 8. Folder 1. Writings, lectures, notes, 1955
Box 8. Folder 2. Writings, lectures, notes, 1956
Box 8. Folder 3. Writings, lectures, notes, 1957
Box 8. Folder 4. Writings, lectures, notes, 1958
Box 8. Folder 5. Writings, lectures, notes, 1959
Box 9. Folder 1. Writings, lectures, notes, 1960
Box 9. Folder 2. Writings, lectures, notes, 1961
Box 9. Folder 3. Writings, lectures, notes, 1962
Box 9. Folder 4. Writings, lectures, notes, 1963
Box 9. Folder 5. Writings, lectures, notes, 1964
Box 10. Folder 1. Writings, lectures, notes, 1965
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Box 10. Folder 3. Writings, lectures, notes, correspondence, 1967-1968 Box 10. Folder 4. Writings, lectures, notes, correspondence, 1969-1975

Box 10. Folder 6. Writings, lectures, notes, correspondence, undated

Series C. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1951-1965

Box 10. Folder 2. Writings, lectures, notes, 1966

Box 10. Folder 5. Writings, lectures, notes, undated

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Arrangement The series is chronologically arranged.

Box and Folder Listing

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Box 11. Folder 1. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1951-1953
Box 11. Folder 2. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1954-1955
Box 11. Folder 3. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1956-1957
Box 11. Folder 4. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1958-1959
Box 11. Folder 5. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1960-1961
Box 11. Folder 6. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1962-1963
Box 11. Folder 7. Jewish Community Relations Council (Pittsburgh, Pa.), 1964-1965
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Series D. Miscellaneous, 1948-1973, undated

Extent 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 12. Folder 1. Boston Girls' Latin School [correspondence], 1960-1973, undated
- Box 12. Folder 2. Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania [correspondence and programs], 1964-1966
- Box 12. Folder 3. History of Pittsburgh [papers, notes, correspondence], 1950-1970
- Box 12. Folder 4. TV scripts, 1960-1966
- Box 12. Folder 5. Awards, 1948-1973