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Records**

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Collection Summary

Title	Congregation B'nai Jehudah (Kansas City, Mo.) Records
Dates	1870-1989
Collection Number	MS-715
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Congregation B'nai Jehudah (Kansas City, Mo.)
Extent	38 linear feet (95 Hollinger boxes)
Language of the Material	English and Hebrew

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch

Congregation B'nai Jehudah was founded in 1870 by 35 Jewish men of Kansas City, Missouri with the goals of "progress and reform." The first president of the congregation was B.A. Feinman and the first rabbi was Reverend Marcus Cohen, a mohel who came from Chicago. The Temple instituted theological reforms from the Minhag America, creating family pews, and a mixed choir of both men and women. In 1873, B'nai Jehudah became one of the founding congregations of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and its President Feinman was elected to UAHC's executive board. Over its history, the congregation has been served by such rabbis as Joseph Krauskopf and Henry Berkowitz, both graduates of the first class at Hebrew Union College, and Samuel S. Mayerberg, a formidable fighter for social justice in Kansas City.

The congregation's first permanent temple was built in 1875 and located on Wyandotte and Sixth Streets with seating for around 300 persons. Quickly outgrowing the Wyandotte Street Temple, Congregation B'nai Jehudah moved to larger quarters on Oak Street in 1885 that seated 600 people. In 1890, the congregation added side galleries, which allowed for 150 more worshipers. The basement of the structure provided room for classrooms.

The congregation moved to a new temple on Linwood Boulevard in 1908. Upon moving into the new building, the congregation saw an immediate increase in its membership. The Congregation moved into its current home on 69th and Holmes in 1957. The temple and religious school are architecturally impressive with the ark, the Eternal Light, and the brickwork mimicking the outline of the chapel Menorah all receiving awards from the Kansas City Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. B'nai Jehudah also owns and maintains two cemeteries: Rose Hill Cemetery given to the Congregation by the Hebrew Benevolent Society in 1871 when the group dissolved and Elmwood Cemetery, purchased in 1921.

In the post World War II era when the world community was faced with the question of establishing a Jewish state in Palestine, Eddie Jacobson, a member of B'nai Jehudah, played an important role in the United States' recognition of the State of Israel. Jacobson was a close friend of President Truman. The two men fought together in World War I and subsequently became business partners and opened a clothing store in Kansas City in the early 1920's. During the negotiations over the US recognition of the State of Israel, Jacobson served as an important liaison between President Truman and many Jewish leaders who wished to speak with him regarding the matter. Jacobson friendship with President Truman created an open dialogue between himself, the President and National Jewish leaders regarding the creation of the State of Israel and led to United States support of the measure.

The membership of B'nai Jehudah continued to grow throughout the 1950's and in 1958 B'nai Jehudah announced that it would offer assistance in creating a new, but independent, Reform Judaism temple in Kansas City. B'nai Jehudah's leadership felt that the congregation had grown too large give a meaningful experience to all of its members.

In 1959 Rabbi Mayerberg requested that he be permitted to retire and the congregation began to look for a new Rabbi. Rabbi William Silverman of Nashville was unanimously accepted by the board and supported by Rabbi Mayerberg. He began his career at B'nai Jehudah in 1960 continuing many of the traditions of the congregation as well introducing new ones.

In 1970 the congregation celebrated its centennial year. Administrator Frank Adler, wrote an extensive history of the congregation entitled *Roots in a Moving Steam: The Centennial History of Congregation B'nai Jehudah of Kansas City, 1870-1970*. A copy of this history can be found in the American Jewish Archives collection.

Scope and Content

Consists of minutes, correspondence, financial records, membership lists, photographs, sermons, and nearprint that document the history of Congregation B'nai Jehudah. The most historically rich portions of the collection are contained in Rabbi Samuel Mayerberg, Irvin Fane, and Frank Adler correspondence files, the minutes, and the photographs.

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Subjects	Synagogues -- Missouri -- Kansas City
Personal Names	Adler, Frank J., 1923- / Fane, Irvin, 1904-1982 / Mayerberg, Samuel Spier, 1892-1964
Corporate Names	Congregation B'nai Jehudah (Kansas City, Mo.)
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Series A. Minutes, 1895-1999

Extent 5.2 linear feet (13 Hollinger boxes)

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Scope and Content Note Contains correspondence with individuals, institutions, and committees, most especially his involvement with fundraising for the religious school, chapel, and new building. Irvin Fane served as President of the congregation from 1940 to 1945, President of the Temple Brotherhood from 1937 to 1938 as well as served on the Board of Trustees from 1937 to 1950.

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Box 42. Folder 14. Dues, budget, financial. President Leo Wertgame, 1954-1955

Box 43. Folder 1. Family Service for Laymen written by Rabbi Mayerberg, 1952 February

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Box 43. Folder 3. Finance, 1951-1952

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Box 43. Folder 5. Hiring another Rabbi, 1951

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Box 43. Folder 7. Honorary degree, 1969

Box 43. Folder 8. Insurance, 1954

Box 43. Folder 9. Legal Committee. "Exchange Account.", 1958

Box 43. Folder 10. Letter. Baker, Mrs. Michael. Gift of Brass "Perpetual Light.", 1946

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Box 43. Folder 13. Letter. Levy, Joseph S. regarding death of Eddie Jacobson, 1955

Box 43. Folder 14. Letter regarding Mayer and Mayerberg portraits, 1957

Box 43. Folder 15. Letter. Mayerberg, Samuel regarding his thoughts on the sanctuary to be built, 1958

Box 43. Folder 16. Mayerberg, Samuel. Israel bonds.

Box 43. Folder 17. Mayerberg, Samuel, 1959

Box 43. Folder 18. Membership contributions, 1953-1954

Box 43. Folder 19. Membership list, 1951

Box 43. Folder 20. National Association of Sisterhoods and Brotherhoods, 1958

Box 43. Folder 21. New building at 69th and Holmes, 1952

Box 43. Folder 22. New building at 69th and Holmes, 1957

Box 44. Folder 1. New building at 69th and Holmes, 1957

Box 44. Folder 2. New building at 69th and Holmes, 1957

Box 44. Folder 3. New building. Programming, 1950-1951

Box 44. Folder 4. Nominating Committee, 1958

Box 44. Folder 5. Officers and Trustees. President Leo Wertgame, 1952-1955

Box 44. Folder 7. Personnel. Hiring Rabbi Cashdam and Frank Adler, 1943-1953

Box 44. Folder 8. Planning for new building. Mayerberg 25th anniversary, 1952-1953

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Box 44. Folder 9. Proposed. Eddie Jacobson Memorial, 1959

Box 44. Folder 10. Pulpit Committee. Selection of William Silverman as Rabbi, 1959

Box 45. Folder 1. Reader of Torah/bar mitzvah, 1954-1955

Box 45. Folder 2. Religious Education Committee. Religious School report, 1952

Box 45. Folder 3. Speech. Fane, Irvin. "An Adequate Program for a Synagogue.", 1938 May 8

Box 45. Folder 4. Standing Committee, 1953-1954

Box 45. Folder 5. Temple Brotherhood, 1939-1940

Box 45. Folder 6. Temple bulletins, 1951-1956

Box 45. Folder 9. Temple miscellaneous, 1939-1940

Series D. Frank Adler Correspondence, 1872-1979

Extent 4.8 linear feet (12 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains correspondence between individuals, institutions, and committees as well as a substantial amount of building and cemetery records. Frank Adler served as a full time, salaried administrator for the congregation's affairs from 1953 to 1991. The length of time that Adler was employed by and involved in B'nai Jehudah's affairs as well as the fact that he was involved in so many areas of the congregations affairs makes these files some of the most useful to researchers.

Arrangement The series is arranged alphabetically.

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Box 46. Folder 3. Annual meetings, 1953-1974

Box 46. Folder 4. Bequests, 1955-1956

Box 46. Folder 5. Boy Scout Troop #2, 1961-1979

Box 46. Folder 6. Brotherhood, 1953-1958

Box 46. Folder 7. Building. Carpeting, 1957

Box 46. Folder 8. Building. Chapel pews, 1956

Box 46. Folder 9. Building. Committee, 1950-1954

Box 47. Folder 1. Building. Committee, 1955-1962

Box 47. Folder 2. Building. General correspondence, 1952-1955

Box 47. Folder 3. Building. Confirmation risers. Bima enlargement, 1967

Box 47. Folder 4. Building. Evans Electric Co., 1956-1958

Box 47. Folder 5. Building. Financial reports, 1955-1967

Box 47. Folder 6. Building. Funds, 1952-1955

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Box 47. Folder 8. Building. Hoover Brothers. American Seating Company, 1956-1957

Box 47. Folder 9. Building. Improvements, 1968

Box 47. Folder 10. Building. Issues, 1956-1980

Box 47. Folder 11. Building. Jacobson Plumbing and Heating Co., 1956-1957

Box 48. Folder 1. Building. Kitchen equipment, 1956

Box 48. Folder 2. Building. Landscaping, 19,561,966

Box 48. Folder 3. Building. Library equipment, 1956

Box 48. Folder 4. Building. Linwood Avenue Temple appraisal report, 1931

Box 48. Folder 5. Building. Linwood Avenue plans, 1906, 1907

Box 48. Folder 6. Building. Linwood Avenue records, 1907, 1908

Box 48. Folder 7. Building. Miscellaneous, 1963-1980

Box 48. Folder 8. Building. Parking plan, 1966

Box 48. Folder 9. Building. Purchasing Committee, 1956, 1952-1953

Box 49. Folder 1. Building. Purchase orders, 1956-1959, 1979

Box 49. Folder 2. Building. Quinian Construction Company, 1956-1958

Box 49. Folder 3. Building. Religious School and sanctuary records, 1956-1958

Box 49. Folder 4. Building. Sanctuary funds, 1960-1962

Box 49. Folder 5. Building. Sanctuary records, 1965-1977

Box 49. Folder 6. Building. Showcase, 1956

Box 49. Folder 7. Building and maintenance, 1952-1953

Box 49. Folder 8. Business Men's Assurance Company mortgage loans, 1965-1983

Box 49. Folder 9. By Laws Committee, 1952

Box 50. Folder 1. Cemetery Committee, 1951-1955

Box 50. Folder 2. Confirmation, 1950s

Box 50. Folder 3. Congregation letters, 1951-1954

Box 50. Folder 4. Congregation letters, 1950s

Box 50. Folder 5. Constitutions and by-laws, 1952

Box 50. Folder 6. Coordinating Committee, 19,571,961

Box 50. Folder 7. Cornerstone, 1956

Box 50. Folder 8. Elmwood Cemetery records. Blank forms, undated

Box 50. Folder 9. Elmwood Cemetery records. Deeds returned, 1899-1974

Box 50. Folder 10. Elmwood Cemetery records. Financial, 1973-1974

Box 50. Folder 11. Elmwood Cemetery records. Internment forms, 1922-1975

Box 50. Folder 12. Elmwood Cemetery records. A, 1948, 1976, 1980

Box 50. Folder 13. Elmwood Cemetery records. B, 1943, 1954, 1958, 1964, 1969, 1974

Box 50. Folder 14. Elmwood Cemetery records. C, 1953, 1960

Box 50. Folder 15. Elmwood Cemetery records. D, 1948-1949, 1964

Box 50. Folder 16. Elmwood Cemetery records. E, 1872, 1898, 1940s-1970s

Box 50. Folder 17. Elmwood Cemetery records. F, 1922

Box 50. Folder 18. Elmwood Cemetery records. G, 1940, 1968, 1978

Box 50. Folder 19. Elmwood Cemetery records. H, 1948, 1965

Box 51. Folder 1. Elmwood Cemetery records. L, 1920s-1980s

Box 51. Folder 2. Elmwood Cemetery records. M, 1920s, 1930s, 1950s

Box 51. Folder 3. Elmwood Cemetery records. N, 1972

Box 51. Folder 4. Elmwood Cemetery records. P, 1940s, 1970s

Box 51. Folder 5. Elmwood Cemetery records. R, 1960s-1970s

Box 51. Folder 6. Elmwood Cemetery records. S, 1920s-1950, 1970

Box 51. Folder 7. Elmwood Cemetery records. T, 1950

Box 51. Folder 8. Elmwood Cemetery records. U, 1959

Box 51. Folder 9. Elmwood Cemetery records. W, 1920-1950

Box 51. Folder 10. Elmwood Cemetery records. Z, 1930, 1950

Box 51. Folder 11. Finance and Budget Committee, 1957-1960

Box 51. Folder 12. General correspondence. A, 1951-1980s

Box 51. Folder 13. General correspondence. B, 1951-1984

Box 51. Folder 14. General correspondence. C, 1947-1978

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Box 52. Folder 1. General correspondence. F, 1950-1976

Box 52. Folder 2. General correspondence. G, 1954-1974

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Box 52. Folder 4. General correspondence. H, 1950-1973

Box 52. Folder 5. General correspondence. H, 1975-1984

Box 52. Folder 6. General correspondence. I, 1952, 1957

Box 52. Folder 7. General correspondence. J, 1953-1972

Box 52. Folder 8. General correspondence. K, 1951-1984

Box 53. Folder 1. General correspondence. L, 1952-1984

Box 53. Folder 2. General correspondence. M, 1951-1983

Box 53. Folder 3. General correspondence. N, 1950-1981

Box 53. Folder 4. General correspondence. O, 1951-1972

Box 53. Folder 5. General correspondence. P, 1952-1985

Box 53. Folder 6. General correspondence. R, 1960-1981

Box 53. Folder 7. General correspondence. S, 1951-1963

Box 54. Folder 1. General correspondence. S, 1964-1974

Box 54. Folder 2. General correspondence. S, 1975-1984

Box 54. Folder 3. General correspondence. T, 1951-1979

Box 54. Folder 4. General correspondence. U, 1952-1971

Box 54. Folder 5. General correspondence. V, 1950-1970

Box 54. Folder 6. General correspondence. W, 1944-1975

Box 54. Folder 7. General correspondence. X, Y, Z, 1954-1983

Box 54. Folder 8. Great Western Stage Equipment, 1966-1967

Box 54. Folder 10. Groundbreaking. Temple and Community Center of Congregation Habonim, Inc., 1953

Box 54. Folder 11. Israel bonds, 1950-1980

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Box 55. Folder 1. Legal Committee, 1950, 1960

Box 55. Folder 2. Library, 1962

Box 55. Folder 3. Loeb, Donald. Temple President, 1956

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Box 55. Folder 5. Mayerberg. Pre-Rabbinic Scholarship Fund, 1951-1957

Box 55. Folder 6. Membership Committee, 1952-1953

Box 55. Folder 7. Memorial Committee, 1955-1958

Box 55. Folder 8. Menorah Medical Center La Farge windows, 1973-1974

Box 55. Folder 9. Miller Pontiac Co., 1965-1977

Box 55. Folder 10. Music, 1953

Box 55. Folder 11. New Reform Temple, 1967-1983

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Box 55. Folder 13. Personal papers, 1953-1967

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Box 56. Folder 1. Rabbi's reports to Board, 1955-1960

Box 56. Folder 2. Research notes, 1970

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Box 56. Folder 4. Religious School, 1955-1961

Box 56. Folder 5. Religious Worship Committee, 1953-1962

Box 56. Folder 6. Russian services, 1979

Box 56. Folder 7. Schrinsky, Erna. Estate, 1967-1977

Box 56. Folder 9. Secretary of State. Corporate reports, 1980-1981

Box 56. Folder 10. Selection of new cantors, 1965-1966

Box 56. Folder 11. Sequoya Elementary School, 1981

Box 57. Folder 1. Services. Invitations and programs, 1957

Box 57. Folder 2. Shane, Amy. Letters, 1972

Box 57. Folder 3. Sisterhood, 1955-1957

Box 57. Folder 4. Social Action Committee, 1950s-1960s

Box 57. Folder 5. Social Justice Committee minutes, 1963

Box 57. Folder 6. Standing Committees, 1952-1953

Box 57. Folder 7. Temple Beth El miscellaneous, 1950s-1970s

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Box 57. Folder 11. Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Meeting, 1954-1959

Box 57. Folder 12. Union of American Hebrew Congregations. General, 1963-1979

Box 57. Folder 13. Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Financial, 1955-1979

Series E. Financial Records, 1920-1983

Extent 6.8 linear feet (17 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Consists mainly of dues records, which help document the membership of the congregation. The records also contain some correspondence as well as financial ledgers from 1920 to 1940.

Arrangement The series is arranged by date and type.

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Box 58. Folder 2. Dues records. Ba-Be, 1957-1962

Box 58. Folder 3. Dues records. Bi-Bu, 1957-1962

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Box 58. Folder 5. Dues records. D, 1957-1962

Box 58. Folder 6. Dues records. E, 1957-1962

Box 58. Folder 7. Dues records. F, 1957-1962

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Box 58. Folder 9. Dues records. Gi-Gu, 1957-1962

Box 59. Folder 1. Dues records. H, 1957-1962

Box 59. Folder 2. Dues records. I, 1957-1962

Box 59. Folder 3. Dues records. J, 1957-1962

Box 59. Folder 4. Dues records. K, 1957-1962

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Box 59. Folder 6. Dues records. M, 1957-1962

Box 59. Folder 7. Dues records. N, 1957-1962

Box 59. Folder 8. Dues records. O, 1957-1962

Box 60. Folder 1. Dues records. P, 1957-1962

Box 60. Folder 2. Dues records. R, 1957-1962

Box 60. Folder 3. Dues records. Sa-Sh, 1957-1962

Box 60. Folder 4. Dues records. Si-Sz, 1957-1962

Box 60. Folder 5. Dues records. T, 1957-1962

Box 60. Folder 6. Dues records. U, 1957-1962

Box 60. Folder 7. Dues records. V, 1957-1962
Box 60. Folder 8. Dues records. W, 1957-1962
Box 60. Folder 9. Dues records. Y, 1957-1962
Box 60. Folder 10. Dues records. Z, 1957-1962
Box 60. Folder 11. Dues records. Honorary members, 1957-1962
Box 61. Folder 1. Dues records. A, 1970s
Box 61. Folder 2. Dues records. Ba-Be, 1970s
Box 61. Folder 3. Dues records. Bi-By, 1970s
Box 62. Folder 1. Dues records. C, 1970s
Box 62. Folder 2. Dues records. Da-E, 1970s
Box 62. Folder 3. Dues records. Fa-Ge, 1970s
Box 63. Folder 1. Dues records. Gi-Go, 1970s
Box 63. Folder 2. Dues records. Gr-Hi, 1970s
Box 63. Folder 3. Dues records. Ho-Hy, 1970s
Box 64. Folder 1. Dues records. Israel-Jos, 1970s
Box 64. Folder 2. Dues records. Kaatz-Katz, 1970s
Box 64. Folder 3. Dues records. Katz-Klet, 1970s
Box 64. Folder 4. Dues records. Koe-Kush, 1970s
Box 65. Folder 1. Dues records. Lad-Ler, 1970s
Box 65. Folder 2. Dues records. Ler-Levine, 1970s
Box 65. Folder 3. Dues records. Levinson-Lewi, 1970s
Box 65. Folder 4. Dues records. Lib-Li, 1970s
Box 65. Folder 5. Dues records. Lob-Lyn, 1970s
Box 66. Folder 1. Dues records. Mac-Marx, 1970s
Box 66. Folder 2. Dues records. Mas-Mey, 1970s
Box 66. Folder 3. Dues records. Mich-Mno, 1970s
Box 66. Folder 4. Dues records. Mond-Moub, 1970s
Box 66. Folder 5. Dues records. Mur-Om, 1970s
Box 66. Folder 6. Dues records. Pac-Pes, 1970s
Box 67. Folder 1. Dues records. Phe-Pro, 1970s
Box 67. Folder 2. Dues records. Rabi-Rey, 1970s
Box 67. Folder 3. Dues records. Ric-Rog, 1970s
Box 67. Folder 4. Dues records. Roi-Ros, 1970s
Box 67. Folder 5. Dues records. Roth-Ruv, 1970s
Box 68. Folder 1. Dues records. Sac-Sam, 1970s
Box 68. Folder 2. Dues records. San-Sch, 1970s
Box 68. Folder 3. Dues records. Scho-Schw, 1970s
Box 68. Folder 4. Dues records. Sam-Sha, 1970s
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- Box 68. Folder 6. Dues records. Sil-Ses, 1970s
- Box 68. Folder 7. Dues records. Sim-Sir, 1970s
- Box 69. Folder 1. Dues records. Ske-Sop, 1970s
- Box 69. Folder 2. Dues records. Spa-Steinh, 1970s
- Box 69. Folder 3. Dues records. Stei-Stern, 1970s
- Box 69. Folder 4. Dues records. Stok-Sz, 1970s
- Box 69. Folder 5. Dues records. Ta-Tob, 1970s
- Box 69. Folder 6. Dues records. To-U, 1970s
- Box 70. Folder 1. Dues records. Va-Wa, 1970s
- Box 70. Folder 2. Dues records. Wei-Wer, 1970s
- Box 70. Folder 3. Dues records. Whi-Wi, 1970s
- Box 70. Folder 4. Dues records. Who-Yuk, 1970s
- Box 70. Folder 5. Dues records. Za-Zw, 1970s
- Box 70. Folder 6. Dues records. Miscellaneous dues, 1970s
- Box 71. Folder 1. Board of Trustees, 1979-1985
- Box 71. Folder 2. Building Endowment. Booklet of prices to buy plaques etc. in the Temple Religious School and proposed sanctuary, 1956
- Box 71. Folder 3. Building Endowment and Memorial Fund certificates. A-Mo, 1956
- Box 71. Folder 4. Building Endowment and Memorial Fund certificates. Na-W, 1956
- Box 71. Folder 5. Dues Administration Committee. Appointees, 1978-1981
- Box 71. Folder 6. Dues Administration Committee. General. P-Z review, 1982-1983
- Box 71. Folder 7. Miscellaneous dues information, undated
- Box 71. Folder 8. Report. Executive Committee, 1982-1983
- Box 71. Folder 9. Report of graduated dues program, 1978-1982
- Box 72. Folder Financial ledger, 1920s
- Box 73. Folder Financial ledger, 1920s-1950s
- Box 74. Folder Financial ledger, 1930s-1940s

Series F. Temple Organization Files, 1937-1989

Extent 4.4 linear feet (11 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note The files are divided into three sections: the first being the Temple Marrieds whose records span 1953-1971 and include scrapbooks, minutes, correspondence, membership lists, as well as the by laws and constitution of the organization. The second group is the Temple Sisterhood whose records span 1937-1989 and include scrapbooks, minutes and committee information. The third group is the Temple Brotherhood whose records contain only the minutes of the organization from 1955 to 1965.

Arrangement The series is arranged by date and organization.

Box and Folder Listing

- Box 75. Folder 1. Temple Marrieds scrapbook, 1953-1954

Box 75. Folder 2. Temple Marrieds scrapbook, 1960-1961

Box 76. Folder 1. Temple Marrieds scrapbook, 1962-1963

Box 76. Folder 2. Temple Marrieds scrapbook, 1963-1964

Box 76. Folder 3. Temple Marrieds scrapbook, 1966-1967

Box 77. Folder 1. Temple Marrieds. Executive Board meeting minutes, 1961-1967

Box 77. Folder 2. Temple Marrieds. Executive Board meeting minutes, 1968-1971

Box 77. Folder 3. Temple Marrieds. Bylaws and constitution, undated

Box 77. Folder 4. Temple Marrieds. Correspondence, 1967-1971

Box 77. Folder 5. Temple Marrieds. Membership lists, 1959-1970

Box 77. Folder 6. Temple Marrieds. Miscellaneous, undated

Box 77. Folder 7. Temple Marrieds. New member correspondence lists, 1966

Box 77. Folder 8. Temple Marrieds. Treasurer's report, 1962-1971

Box 77. Folder 9. Temple Marrieds. Weed, Harry, 1966-1967

Box 77. Folder 10. Temple Marrieds scrapbook, 1970-1971

Box 78. Folder 1. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1937-1940

Box 78. Folder 2. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1946-1947

Box 78. Folder 3. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1947-1952

Box 79. Folder 1. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1952-1956

Box 79. Folder 2. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1956-1959

Box 79. Folder 3. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1959-1960

Box 80. Folder 1. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1975-1976

Box 80. Folder 2. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1978-1979

Box 80. Folder 3. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1979-1980

Box 80. Folder 4. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1981-1983

Box 80. Folder 5. Temple Sisterhood. Board meeting minutes, 1983-1984

Box 81. Folder 1. Temple Sisterhood. House and Foods Committee. Final report, 1981-1983

Box 81. Folder 2. Temple Sisterhood. House and Foods Committee. Kiddush luncheon open meetings, 1989

Box 81. Folder 3. Temple Sisterhood. House and Foods Committee. Miscellaneous, 1983-1985

Box 81. Folder 4. Temple Sisterhood. Project Large Print. Jewish Braille Institute of America, 1987

Box 81. Folder 5. Temple Sisterhood. Project Large Print, 1977, 1975, 1983

Box 82. Folder 1. Temple Sisterhood scrapbook, 1950-1958

Box 82. Folder 2. Temple Sisterhood scrapbook, 1961-1962

Box 83. Folder 1. Temple Sisterhood scrapbook, 1981-1982

Box 83. Folder 2. Temple Sisterhood scrapbook, 1989

Box 84. Folder 1. Temple Sisterhood scrapbook, 1984-1985

Box 84. Folder 2. Temple Sisterhood scrapbook, 1985-1986

Box 85. Folder 1. Temple Brotherhood minutes, 1955-1959

Box 85. Folder 2. Temple Brotherhood minutes, 1960-1962

Box 85. Folder 3. Temple Brotherhood minutes, 1963-1964

Series G. Cemetery Records, 1920-1970s

Extent 1.6 linear feet (4 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note The files are divided between Rose Hill Cemetery and Rose Hill Mausoleum. The Rose Hill Cemetery records contain correspondence, deeds to lots, by laws, tablet orders, trust fund, and Bondholder information from the 1920s to 1983. The Rose Hill Mausoleum records contain correspondence, contracts, and other information pertaining to the mausoleum. The mausoleum records also contain information regarding the Henry A. Guettel Chapel from the 1970s. Cemetery records regarding Elmwood Cemetery can be found in SERIES D, Frank Adler's correspondence files.

(Note: Congregation B'nai Jehudah has created a database of their cemetery records and any genealogical information that they have from the 1920s to the present. Researchers may contact the Congregation for more details, info@bnaijehudah.org).

Arrangement

The series is arranged alphabetically and by type.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 86. Folder 1. Rose Hill Cemetery. Bond holders, 1939, 1940s

Box 86. Folder 2. Rose Hill Cemetery. By-laws, amended, 1924

Box 86. Folder 3. Rose Hill Cemetery. By-laws, post-1936

Box 86. Folder 4. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1940s-1970s

Box 86. Folder 5. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1920s-1980s

Box 86. Folder 6. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1950s-1980s

Box 86. Folder 7. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1950s-1980s

Box 86. Folder 8. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1940s-1980s

Box 86. Folder 9. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1940s-1980s

Box 86. Folder 10. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1960s-1970s

Box 86. Folder 11. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1940s, 1960s

Box 86. Folder 12. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1950s-1970s

Box 87. Folder 1. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1950s-1970s

Box 87. Folder 2. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1940s-1970s

Box 87. Folder 3. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1950-1980

Box 87. Folder 4. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1920-1970

Box 87. Folder 5. Rose Hill Cemetery. Correspondence, 1960-1970

Box 87. Folder 6. Rose Hill Cemetery. Deeds to lots, 1930s

Box 87. Folder 7. Rose Hill Cemetery. Miscellaneous information, 1930-1970

Box 87. Folder 8. Rose Hill Cemetery. Policies, procedures and costs, undated

Box 88. Folder 1. Rose Hill Cemetery. Tablet orders. A-G, 1920-1940

Box 88. Folder 2. Rose Hill Cemetery. Tablet orders. H-L, 1920-1940

Box 88. Folder 3. Rose Hill Cemetery. Tablet orders. M-W, 1920-1940

Box 88. Folder 4. Rose Hill Cemetery. Tablet orders. Various, 1920-1940
Box 88. Folder 5. Rose Hill Cemetery. Trust funds, 1980s
Box 88. Folder 6. Rose Hill Cemetery. Trust Fund Executive Committee, 1983 October
Box 89. Folder 1. Rose Hill Mausoleum Company, 1930-1939
Box 89. Folder 2. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Contracts, 1930, 1940
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Box 89. Folder 4. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Correspondence, 1939-1959
Box 89. Folder 5. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Correspondence, 1970s
Box 89. Folder 6. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Correspondence, 1940s, 1960s, 1970s
Box 89. Folder 7. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Correspondence, 1940-1970
Box 89. Folder 8. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Correspondence, 1940-1970
Box 89. Folder 9. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Correspondence and space lists, 1940-1970
Box 89. Folder 10. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Henry A. Guettel Chapel, 1970s
Box 89. Folder 11. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Information, undated
Box 89. Folder 12. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Insurance purchase contracts, 1930
Box 89. Folder 13. Rose Hill Mausoleum. Miscellaneous, 1940s

Series H. Historical Records, 1870-1970

Extent 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains a wide variety of material collected by the congregation for exhibits and publications in connection with its centennial celebration in 1970.

Arrangement The series is arranged alphabetically.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 90. Folder 1. 80th anniversary material, 1950
Box 90. Folder 2. Bitter Sweet Camp of the Jewish Education Institute, 1915, 1917-1918, 1920
Box 90. Folder 3. Building news articles, 1939-1967
Box 90. Folder 4. Building news articles, 1964-1980
Box 90. Folder 5. Centennial history in capsule form of Kansas Cities Oldest and Largest Jewish House of Worship by Frank Adler. Prepared for Kansas City Star, 1870-1970
Box 90. Folder 6. Centennial material, 1969
Box 90. Folder 7. Confirmation class lists, 1895-1990
Box 90. Folder 8. Confirmation certificate. Fleitman, Harry, 1937
Box 90. Folder 9. Confirmation Handbook by Samuel S. Mayerberg, 1956 September
Box 90. Folder 10. Confirmation news articles and lists, 1871-1927
Box 90. Folder 11. Confirmation programs, 1924, 1926, 1934, 1969-1984
Box 90. Folder 12. Dedication, 1908
Box 90. Folder 13. Feld, Lipman G., 1973

Box 90. Folder 14. Installation services programs. Rabbi William Silverman and Rabbi Michael R. Zedek, 1960, 1977

Box 90. Folder 15. Marriage certificates, 1891, 1894

Box 90. Folder 16. Mayerberg, Rabbi Samuel and Holmes, Dr. D.A. newspaper picture, undated

Box 90. Folder 17. Miscellaneous temple historical materials, 1885-1920s

Box 91. Folder 1. Miscellaneous temple historical materials, 1947, 1948

Box 91. Folder 2. Newsletter. Published by the Young Men's Hebrew Association, 1915, 1918, 1923

Box 91. Folder 3. Philharmonic concert series dedicated to Kansas City B'nai Jehudah, undated

Box 91. Folder 4. Programs, 1885-1967

Box 91. Folder 5. Rabbi Emeritus, 1927

Box 91. Folder 6. Religious School, 1963, undated

Box 91. Folder 7. Religious School dedication, 1957

Box 91. Folder 8. Sanctuary dedication, 1967

Box 91. Folder 9. Scroll. Published by the students of the Religious School, 1930, 1933, 1935, 1936

Box 91. Folder 10. Silverman, Rabbi William. The Jewish Concept of Man, 1967

Box 91. Folder 11. Sunday School Record. Published by the boys and girls of K.C. B'nai Jehudah Sunday School, 1910 June

Box 91. Folder 12. Temple bulletin, 1951-1970

Box 91. Folder 13. Torah. Translation certified by Isaac Leeser. Marriage certificate inside from 1905. Minister was Emil Hirsch.

Series I. Photographs, 1871-1973

Extent 1.6 linear feet (4 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains photographs of various people and events connected with the congregation. Included in the photograph series are oversize images of confirmation photographs and oversize blueprints of Rose Hill Cemetery and B'nai Jehudah's building at Sixty-Ninth and Holmes as well as a 1905 blueprint of the Linwood Boulevard building. There are numerous pictures of the congregation and a photograph of congregation member, Eddie Jacobson, with Harry Truman.

Arrangement The series is arranged alphabetically.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 92. Folder 1. Annual meeting, 1963

Box 92. Folder 2. Babowitz, Rabbi Henry J., undated

Box 92. Folder 3. Bondi, August, undated

Box 92. Folder 4. Building and sanctuary, undated

Box 92. Folder 5. Building that replaced Kansas City B'nai Jehudah's first temple, 1969

Box 92. Folder 6. Centennial pageant, undated

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