

# A Finding Aid to the Norma U. Levitt Papers

## Manuscript Collection No. 720



#### **Collection Summary**

Title Norma U. Levitt Papers

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**Creator** Levitt, Norma U.

**Extent** 10 linear feet (25 Hollinger boxes)

Language of the Material English

#### **Administrative Information**

#### **Biographical Sketch**

Norma U. Levitt, a graduate of Wellesley College (1937) and the University of Chicago, has participated in many organizations and projects throughout her life with the goal of working for understanding and cooperation between religions improving the quality of life for women and children.

Levitt is well known for her groundbreaking work as the non-governmental organization (NGO) representative to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) on behalf of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. She later became vice-president of the United States' UNICEF Committee. She continued her work by founding and becoming the co-chair of the National Organizational Advisory Council for Children and also the International Year of the Child in 1979.

At the United Nations, Levitt strove to improve conditions for women and children throughout the world. She was active in the United Nations' "Decade for Women" (1975-1985), which scheduled conferences to debate women's rights in Mexico City (1975), Copenhagen (1980), and Nairobi (1985). Contemporary global politics often intruded upon these conferences; resolutions critical of Israel and Zionism were often introduced and approved.

Also important was her work with the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), where she served on the Executive Committee and as head of the Metropolitan New York Chapter of the U.S. Organization for UNIFEM. She was also was named chair of the NGO Inter-Generational Committee and Committee on Aging. She participated in the White House Conferences on Aging in 1971 and 1981, and also called attention American Reform Judaism's relations with elderly Jews.

Levitt worked with many Jewish organizations such as the World Union for Progressive Judaism, where she served as the first woman chair of the Executive Committee. The same was true of her work with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC) and the Synagogue Council of America as she was the first woman officer in both organizations. She is an honorary life member of the Board of Governors of HUC-JIR and was on the College-Institute's Committee on Faculty and Academic Affairs. Levitt was instrumental in the World Conference on Religion and Peace (WCRP) and was their president for the Americas. Levitt was a founding officer of the Association of Reform Zionists of America (ARZA), and was the Vice President of the American Section of the World Jewish Congress and of the Shalom Center.

As the first woman officer of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Levitt focused on the structure of traditional reform synagogue services; for example, she was instrumental in arguing that language not exclusive to women be incorporated into prayers that until then still referred to a nongendered G-d as "Lord" or "King." Levitt also worked on interfaith relations with Catholics and other Christian sects. As a member at Academic and Faculty Affairs Committee at HUC-JIR, Levitt worked to support the inclusion of women as both students and faculty members at the College-Institute.

In addition to this work, Levitt was as an active member and President of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (NFTS), where she was later named honorary President after her active terms ended. She combined her organizational and leadership skills with her artistic qualities and produced many of the anniversary services for the NFTS. These artistic qualities of Levitt's are apparent in the work that she produced for Temple Beth El in Great Neck, New York, where she is an honorary member of the board. She composed services, confirmations, installations, and anniversaries for the temple. Levitt remains an honorary member of many of these organizations.

#### **Scope and Content**

The collection contains correspondence, publications, reports, programs, organizational records, conference materials and working papers documenting Norma Levitt's extensive activities in many organizations, both Jewish and non-Jewish. The papers reflect her interests in social and economic justice, peace, women's issues, children's issues, aging, and environmental concerns.

Included are records documenting her work as both active and honorary president of the National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (later, Women of Reform Judaism), as the first woman officer of the

Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC), and as a member of the Academic and Faculty Affairs Committee at Hebrew Union College — Jewish Institute of Religion.

Also of note are records connected with her work in United Nations' non governmental organizations (NGOs) such as UNIFEM, the United Nations Development Fund for Women; UNICEF, United Nations Children's Fund; the Committee on Aging; and the Intergenerational Committee. As President of the Americas for the World Conference on Religion and Peace (WCRP), these materials reflect Levitt's interest in inter-religious dialogue and her work on "Project Green," the WCRP's environmental program.

The collection also contains scrapbooks created and organized by Norma Levitt, and prayers and poems authored by her for her synagogue, Temple Beth-El in Great Neck, New York.

**Arrangement** The papers are divided into six (6) series: A. Organizations; B. Women's Rights; C. Children's Rights;

D. Aging; E. Scrapbooks; F. Miscellaneous.

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Media Minutes / Scrapbooks

### Series A. Organizations, 1945-2005

**Extent** 5.2 linear feet (13 Hollinger boxes)

**Scope and Content Note** Each subseries reflects Norma Levitt's work with just one of many different organizations.

However, she would occasionally utilize her position in one organization to aid her goals in another, especially if the organizations were closely related in both structure and purpose, so materials from one organization can appear in another organization's subseries. For example,

NFTS letters can be found in the UAHC sub-series.

**Arrangement** The series is divided into five (5) subseries: 1. National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods

(NFTS) Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ); 2. Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC); 3. Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR); 4. World Conference

on Religion and Peace (WCRP); 5. Miscellaneous Organizations.

## Subseries 1. National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (NFTS)/Women of Reform Judaism (WRJ), 1945-2005

**Extent** 2 linear feet (5 Hollinger boxes)

**Arrangement** The subseries is arranged alphabetically.

- Box 1. Folder 1. 44th Assembly 1, 2003
- Box 1. Folder 2. 44th Assembly 2, 2003
- Box 1. Folder 3. 50th anniversary, 1963
- Box 1. Folder 4. 60th anniversary, 1973
- Box 1. Folder 5. 70th anniversary, 1983
- Box 1. Folder 6. 75th anniversary, 1987
- Box 1. Folder 7. 90th anniversary, 2003
- Box 1. Folder 8. Ad Hoc Committee on Women in Reform Judaism. Exclusive language, 1970-1976
- Box 1. Folder 9. Biennial, 1981
- Box 1. Folder 10. Biennial, 1989
- Box 1. Folder 11. Biennial, 1991
- Box 1. Folder 12. Biennial, 2003
- Box 1. Folder 13. Board of Directors, 1999-2005
- Box 2. Folder 1. Board of Directors. "First Ordination.", 2002
- Box 2. Folder 2. Board of Directors meeting, 2000
- Box 2. Folder 3. Campaign in Reform, 1972-1979, 1998
- Box 2. Folder 4. Commission on Nomination of Officers, undated
- Box 2. Folder 5. Constitution, 1993
- Box 2. Folder 6. Constitution and alumnae, 2001
- Box 2. Folder 7. D'var Torah, 1989 May 7
- Box 2. Folder 8. Domestic violence, undated
- Box 2. Folder 9. Equal Rights Amendment, 1976-1985
- Box 2. Folder 10. Executive Agenda. A Program for Leadership. Development Training for the Women of Reform Judaism, undated
- Box 2. Folder 11. Executive Agenda. Executive Committee Meeting, 2004 January 31-February 3
- Box 2. Folder 12. Evans, Jane, 1945-1992
- Box 3. Folder 1. Evans, Jane, 1992-2002
- Box 3. Folder 2. Evans, Jane. Memorial speeches, undated
- Box 3. Folder 3. Installation services, 1965, 1971, 1988
- Box 3. Folder 4. International Year of the Child, 1979
- Box 3. Folder 5. Kibbutz Yahel, 1976
- Box 3. Folder 6. Leadership training, 1970, 1988-1989
- Box 3. Folder 7. Logo for WRJ, undated
- Box 3. Folder 8. Mailings, 1978-1985
- Box 3. Folder 9. Masters Fellow's Arts Program, 1966-1968
- Box 3. Folder 10. National Federation of Temple Youth 50th anniversary, undated

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Box 3. Folder 11. Organizational structures, undated
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- Box 3. Folder 12. Past resolutions, 1946-1981
- Box 3. Folder 13. President's message, 1968-1972
- Box 3. Folder 14. Publication fund, 1980-1985
- Box 3. Folder 15. Publication fund, 1985-1990s
- Box 4. Folder 1. Schwartz, Ellie, 1973
- Box 4. Folder 2. Sisterhood Sabbaths, 1958, 1990
- Box 4. Folder 3. Siyum Committee resolutions for Biennial, 2001
- Box 4. Folder 4. Three Jewish women organizations (Reform, Conservative, Orthodox), 1965-1968
- Box 4. Folder 5. United Nations Readings, 1975-1979, 1990-1996
- Box 4. Folder 6. UN Task Force kits, 1998
- Box 4. Folder 7. UN Task Force meetings, 1978-1999
- Box 4. Folder 8. UN Task Force reports, 1975-1982
- Box 4. Folder 9. UN Task Force reports, 1982-1997
- Box 4. Folder 10. UN tours and briefings, 1978, 1983
- Box 4. Folder 11. UNICEF, 1977, 1990
- Box 5. Folder 1. Volunteerism, 1975-1979
- Box 5. Folder 2. Women and trees, 1983
- Box 5. Folder 3. Women's commentary, 1966, 1990-1999
- Box 5. Folder 4. Women's pleas for Soviet Jews (See also "Women's Rights"), 1988-1990
- Box 5. Folder 5. Israel photographs, undated

#### Subseries 2. Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC), 1968-2000

Extent 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

**Arrangement** The subseries is arranged alphabetically.

- Box 6. Folder 1. Commission on Religious Living, 1972-1984
- Box 6. Folder 2. Commission on Religious Living, 1988 January 17-19
- Box 6. Folder 3. Commission on Religious Living, 1994 January 9-10
- Box 6. Folder 4. Commission on Religious Living, 2000-2001
- Box 6. Folder 5. Commission on Religious Living. Cassidy, Dick, undated
- Box 6. Folder 6. Commission on Religious Living. Worship Seminar, 1988 November 20-22
- Box 6. Folder 7. Commission on Worship. Prayer, 1985 November 1
- Box 6. Folder 8. Committee on Older Adults, 1995-1999
- Box 6. Folder 9. Contemporary issues, 1980-1982, 1996-2000
- Box 6. Folder 10. Eisendrath, Maurice, 1968 November 22
- Box 6. Folder 11. Inclusive Liturgy language, undated

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Box 6. Folder 12. Interreligious, 1973-1985
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- Box 6. Folder 13. Interreligious, 1992-1999
- Box 7. Folder 1. Interreligious Committee, 1985-1993
- Box 7. Folder 2. Interreligious. Currents, 1982-1995
- Box 7. Folder 3. Interreligious. Congregations in Dialogue, 1985 January 28
- Box 7. Folder 4. Interreligious. Dialogue on Missionaries and Cults, 1976-1994
- Box 7. Folder 5. Interreligious. Dialogue Genesis Discussions, 1996-1997
- Box 7. Folder 6. Interreligious. "The Challenge of Shalom for Catholics and Jews.", 1985
- Box 7. Folder 7. Interreligious. Vatican guidelines, 1975
- Box 7. Folder 8. Organizational, 1981-1997
- Box 7. Folder 9. Organizational, undated
- Box 7. Folder 10. Schindler, Alex, 2000
- Box 7. Folder 11. United Nations, 1977-1989

## Subseries 3. Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion (HUC-JIR), 1970-2003

**Extent** 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

**Arrangement** The subseries is arranged alphabetically.

#### **Box and Folder Listing**

- Box 8. Folder 1. Academic and faculty affairs, 1977-1986
- Box 8. Folder 2. Centennial, 1976
- Box 8. Folder 3. Conferring degrees, 1981-1983
- Box 8. Folder 4. Dean's Council, 1996
- Box 8. Folder 5. General, 2001-2003
- Box 8. Folder 6. Glueck, Nelson. 70th birthday, 1970 June 2
- Box 8. Folder 7. Gottschalk, Alfred. Inauguration, 1972 February 22
- Box 8. Folder 8. Minutes and reports, 1978, 1981, 1990
- Box 8. Folder 9. New York building, 1979

#### Subseries 4. World Conference on Religion and Peace (WCRP), 1973-2002

Extent 1.6 linear feet (4 Hollinger boxes)

**Arrangement** The subseries is arranged alphabetically.

- Box 9. Folder 1. 4th Assembly, 1984
- Box 9. Folder 2. 5th Assembly, 1989
- Box 9. Folder 3. 6th Assembly, 1994 January 28-February 1

- Box 9. Folder 4. Bishop's Economic Pastoral, 1983-1984
- Box 9. Folder 5. Carter, Jimmy, 1989
- Box 9. Folder 6. Commissions on Bosnia and Sierra Leone, 1998
- Box 9. Folder 7. Commission on the Future, 1984
- Box 9. Folder 8. Day of the African Child, 1992 June 16
- Box 9. Folder 9. Executive Committee. Anti-Semitism and apartheid, 1988
- Box 9. Folder 10. Executive Committee minutes, 1989 June 1-10
- Box 9. Folder 11. International newsletter, 1987-1995
- Box 9. Folder 12. Interreligious Consultation. United States—Japan, 1983
- Box 9. Folder 13. Interreligious Consultation. United States—Japan, 1987
- Box 9. Folder 14. Interreligious service, 1991-1993
- Box 10. Folder 1. Interreligious service. Prayers authored by Levitt.
- Box 10. Folder 2. Iran-Iraq War and Punjab, 1987
- Box 10. Folder 3. Governing Board meetings, 1982-1987
- Box 10. Folder 4. Jack, Homer, 1991-1993
- Box 10. Folder 5. Pamphlets and directory, 1973-1995
- Box 10. Folder 6. Paris. Jewish contacts, 1986
- Box 10. Folder 7. Project Green. Committee meetings, 1990-1992
- Box 10. Folder 8. Project Green. Criteria. Ecology Concept, 1982-1990
- Box 10. Folder 9. Project Green. Environmental Sabbath, 1989-1991
- Box 10. Folder 10. Project Green. First mailings, 1990-1991
- Box 10. Folder 11. Project Green. International projects, 1991-1996
- Box 11. Folder 1. Project Green. Reports, 1990-1993
- Box 11. Folder 2. Project Green. Tree Pals, 1991-1992
- Box 11. Folder 3. Project Green. Miscellaneous, 1990-1991
- Box 11. Folder 4. Population and development, 1994
- Box 11. Folder 5. Recommendation to the WCRP on human rights and responsibility, 1980
- Box 11. Folder 6. Religious reading taken to WCRP, undated
- Box 11. Folder 7. Sabbath ceremonies and prayers, 1986-1988
- Box 11. Folder 8. Sri Lanka, 1986-1987
- Box 11. Folder 9. Templeton Award. Dr. Ismail Khan controversy, 1988
- Box 12. Folder 1. UNICEF, 1985
- Box 12. Folder 2. United States Conference of Religion and Peace, 1998-2003
- Box 12. Folder 3. USA-WCRP mission statement, 2000
- Box 12. Folder 4. USA-WCRP Executive Council, 1999-2001
- Box 12. Folder 5. Vendley, William, 1994-1995
- Box 12. Folder 6. Women's program, 2002
- Box 12. Folder 7. World Council of Faiths, 1985-1986
- Box 12. Folder 8. World Parliament of Religions, 1993

Box 12. Folder 10. Youth, 1991, 1997

#### Subseries 5. Miscellaneous Organizations, 1970-2003

**Extent** 0.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box)

**Arrangement** The series is arranged alphabetically.

### **Box and Folder Listing**

Box 13. Folder 1. American Jewish World Service, 1985, 1988, undated

Box 13. Folder 2. Children of War Tour, 1984, 1986

Box 13. Folder 3. CIAL — The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, 1986-1988

Box 13. Folder 4. Conflict Resolution Network, 1988

Box 13. Folder 5. Global Education Association, 1995, 1997

Box 13. Folder 6. Institute for Multi-track Diplomacy, 2003

Box 13. Folder 7. National Conference of Christians and Jews, 1993-1995

Box 13. Folder 8. R'fa-aye-nu Society, 1995-1996

Box 13. Folder 9. Religion in American Life, 1988, undated

Box 13. Folder 10. Religious Leaders Media Project, 1989

Box 13. Folder 11. The Shalom Center and Shalom Report, 1986-1987, 1990-1992

Box 13. Folder 12. United Nations Trickle Up Program, 1997, 2000

Box 13. Folder 13. Whole Earth Papers, 1970s-1982

Box 13. Folder 14. Women of Faith, 1984

Box 13. Folder 15. Miscellaneous organizations, 1976-1993

#### Series B. Women's Rights, 1973-2003

**Extent** 1.2 linear feet (3 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note The series relates to Norma Levitt's work in support of women's rights. It includes materials on the Copenhagen and Nairobi International Conferences, UNIFEM, the Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations, and other files containing articles from Ms. magazine to efforts related to helping Soviet Jews.

**Arrangement** 

The series is organized alphabetically by topic.

#### **Box and Folder Listing**

Box 14. Folder 1. "Anti-Semitism in the Women's Movement." Letty Pogrebin and response,

Box 14. Folder 2. Breakthrough: Focus on Women, 1986

Box 14. Folder 3. Copenhagen Conference, 1980

Box 14. Folder 4. Copenhagen Conference. Leadership conference letters and visits, 1979-1980

- Box 14. Folder 5. Copenhagen Conference. "Durban Debacle.", 2001
- Box 14. Folder 6. Copenhagen Conference. Preparation and debriefing, 1980
- Box 14. Folder 7. Copenhagen Conference. Religious Leaders Conference and other organizations, 1980
- Box 14. Folder 8. Copenhagen Conference. Reports, 1980
- Box 14. Folder 9. Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW), 1980
- Box 14. Folder 10. International Woman's Year (IWY), 1975
- Box 14. Folder 11. IWY and Zionism, 1975
- Box 14. Folder 12. Jewish Women's Conference Committee Concerns, 1987, 2002
- Box 14. Folder 13. Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations. 50th anniversary, 1973-1975
- Box 14. Folder 14. Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations. Concerns for children, 1974-1976
- Box 14. Folder 15. Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations. Constitution and installations.
- Box 14. Folder 16. Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations. "Decades of Achievement: 1977-1987.", 1987 November 19-22
- Box 14. Folder 17. Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations. Report of Task Force, 1982-1983
- Box 14. Folder 18. Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organizations. Status of Jewish women, 1975-1976
- Box 14. Folder 19. Nairobi Conference, 1983-1985
- Box 15. Folder 1. Nairobi Conference. Forward Looking Strategies. Equity by 2000, 1985
- Box 15. Folder 2. Nairobi Conference. Newspaper reports, 1985
- Box 15. Folder 3. Nairobi Conference. Papers authored by Levitt, 1984-1985
- Box 15. Folder 4. Nairobi Conference. Workshop on Child Care, 1985
- Box 15. Folder 5. Paris Conference, 1985 July 8-10
- Box 15. Folder 6. Status of Women in the U.S., 1979-1980, 1988
- Box 15. Folder 7. United Nations Fund for Women (UNIFEM). International Women's Day Luncheon, 1991-1992
- Box 15. Folder 8. UNIFEM. International Women's Day luncheon, 1993-1994
- Box 15. Folder 9. UNIFEM. International Women's Day luncheon, 1995-1998
- Box 15. Folder 10. UNIFEM. Letters to Congress, 1989-1990
- Box 15. Folder 11. UNIFEM. Metropolitan New York Chapter (METRO). Annual meetings, 1988, 1992-1994, 1996-1998
- Box 15. Folder 12. UNIFEM. METRO. Bylaws, undated
- Box 15. Folder 13. UNIFEM. METRO. Flyers for UNIFEM, 1990-1995
- Box 15. Folder 14. UNIFEM. METRO. Membership lists, 1989
- Box 15. Folder 15. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs, 1991-1992
- Box 15. Folder 16. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs, 1993-1997
- Box 16. Folder 1. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs. Academic -"The UN Development Fund and it's Relevance to the Academic Community.", 1990
- Box 16. Folder 2. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs. Art benefits, 1989-1990

- Box 16. Folder 3. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs. "Hail to the Chefs" gourmet benefit dinner. "Disturbed" by the "Lesbian Avengers.", 1994 April 30
- Box 16. Folder 4. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs. "Hungarian Rhapsody.", 1993 May 6
- Box 16. Folder 5. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs. "Women in Business.", 1989
- Box 16. Folder 6. UNIFEM. METRO. Programs. "Women and the Environment.", 1990-1992
- Box 16. Folder 7. UNIFEM. METRO. Reports to U.S. Committee for UNIFEM, 1984, 1998-1993
- Box 16. Folder 8. UNIFEM. METRO. Reports to U.S. Committee for UNIFEM, 2003
- Box 16. Folder 9. UNIFEM. METRO. Welcoming letter, 1988, undated
- Box 16. Folder 10. UNIFEM. Miscellaneous papers, 1995-1996, undated
- Box 16. Folder 11. UNIFEM. Miscellaneous publications, 1994-1995, 2001
- Box 16. Folder 12. UNIFEM. Voluntary Fund and Kassebaum amendment, 1980-1985
- Box 16. Folder 13. UNIFEM. United States Committee for UNIFEM, 1993-1997, 2000, undated
- Box 16. Folder 14. UNIFEM. United States Committee for UNIFEM. Bylaws, 1999
- Box 16. Folder 15. UNIFEM. United States Committee for UNIFEM Membership lists, 1996-1997
- Box 16. Folder 16. UNIFEM. World. Formation of National Committees, 1988
- Box 16. Folder 17. Women in the Rabbinate, 1975-1991
- Box 16. Folder 18. Women's Plea for Soviet Jewry (see also NFTS, Series A, Sub-series 1), 1974-1977

#### Series C. Children's Rights, 1960-2003

**Extent** 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains materials mostly related to Norma Levitt's activities for UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) and the IYC (International Year of the Child).

#### **Arrangement**

The series is organized alphabetically by topic.

- Box 17. Folder 1. Children and violent conflict, 1995, undated
- Box 17. Folder 2. Immunization. Days of Tranquility, 1987 June 28
- Box 17. Folder 3. International Year of the Child (IYC), 1979
- Box 17. Folder 4. IYC newsletter, 1978-1980
- Box 17. Folder 5. IYC other conferences, 1979
- Box 17. Folder 6. IYC symposium, 1979 February 28
- Box 17. Folder 7. IYC year in perspective, undated
- Box 17. Folder 8. Girl Child, 1987-1994
- Box 17. Folder 9. National Advisory Council for Children, 1980-1983
- Box 17. Folder 10. Rights of the Child, 1990-1995
- Box 18. Folder 1. Speeches authored by Levitt, 1960, 1978-1979

- Box 18. Folder 2. United Nations Fund for Children (UNICEF). Bearer of Light Award, 1987
- Box 18. Folder 3. UNICEF. Documents, 1986-1994
- Box 18. Folder 4. UNICEF. Girl Child, 1998-2003
- Box 18. Folder 5. UNICEF and Israel, 1976-1980
- Box 18. Folder 6. UNICEF and Israel, 1978-1984, 1988
- Box 18. Folder 7. UNICEF and IYC, 1978-1979
- Box 18. Folder 8. UNICEF. Lebanon and New York Times advertisement, 1982
- Box 18. Folder 9. UNICEF. Letters to Jewish organizations, 1976-1979
- Box 18. Folder 10. UNICEF. News of the world's children, 1988
- Box 18. Folder 11. UNICEF. Reports authored by Levitt, 1978-1985
- Box 18. Folder 12. UNICEF. State of the world's children, 1990
- Box 18. Folder 13. UNICEF. Succoth folders and letters, 1975-1976
- Box 18. Folder 14. UNICEF and UNESCO, 1984
- Box 18. Folder 15. UNICEF. USC clergy. "A Clergy Association for Children.", 1982
- Box 18. Folder 16. UNICEF. United States Committee for UNICEF history, 1978, undated
- Box 18. Folder 17. UNICEF. United States Committee for UNICEF. Asian Mission to China and Indonesia, 1980

### Series D. Aging, 1971-1996

**Extent** 1.2 linear feet (3 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains files related to intergenerational activities and other concerns relating to the elderly in the U.S. and the world.

#### **Arrangement**

The series is organized alphabetically by topic.

- Box 19. Folder 1. Aging themes, 1981-1991
- Box 19. Folder 2. Human Settlement and the Aging. UN Centre for Human Settlements,
- Box 19. Folder 3. Intergenerational agencies, 1985-1994
- Box 19. Folder 4. Intergenerational interviews, 1983
- Box 19. Folder 5. Intergenerational minutes, 1983-1985, 1995
- Box 19. Folder 6. Intergenerational programs, 1983-1996
- Box 19. Folder 7. Intergenerational school programs, 1979-1985
- Box 19. Folder 8. Intergenerational tree planting, 1985
- Box 19. Folder 9. International Day for the Elderly commemorations, 1992-1996
- Box 19. Folder 10. Newsage, 1991, 1994-1995
- Box 19. Folder 11. NGO Committee on Aging. Director of Officers, 1995-1996
- Box 20. Folder 1. Poverty and the elderly, 1971-1973
- Box 20. Folder 2. Reflections on aging, 1983, 1989

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Box 20. Folder 3. Synagogue Council of America and Aging, 1955, 1974-1977
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Box 20. Folder 4. Spiritual, 1980-1982

Box 20. Folder 5. Vienna International Plan of Action on the Aging, 1982

Box 20. Folder 6. White House Conferences on Aging, 1971, 1981

Box 20. Folder 7. White House Conferences on Aging, 1971, 1981

Box 20. Folder 8. Who is Responsible for my Old Age symposium, 1988 November 29-30

Box 21. Folder 1. World Assembly on Aging, 1982 July-August

Box 21. Folder 2. World Assembly on Aging 10th anniversary, 1992 October 2

Box 21. Folder 3. Youseff, Nadia, 1994 June 2

Box 21. Folder 4. Miscellaneous, 1984, 1987, 1990-1992, 1996

#### Series E. Scrapbooks, 1967-1979, 1992

**Extent** 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains photographs, newspaper articles, invitations, letters, and other items. Most of the items relate to the NFTS and the Jewish Braille Institute, but other organizations such as the UAHC are present as well.

#### **Arrangement**

The series is organized by year, though timeframes of some scrapbooks overlap with others.

#### **Box and Folder Listing**

Box 22. Folder 1. Scrapbook, 1967-1968

Box 22. Folder 2. Scrapbook, 1969

Box 22. Folder 3. Scrapbook, 1969-1970

Box 22. Folder 4. Scrapbook, 1970-1971

Box 22. Folder 5. Scrapbook, 1971

Box 22. Folder 6. Scrapbook, 1971-1972

Box 23. Folder 1. Scrapbook, 1973-1979

Box 23. Folder 2. Scrapbook, 1974-1975

Box 23. Folder 3. Scrapbook, 1974-1975, 1977, 1992

Box 23. Folder 4. Scrapbook. Jewish Braille Institute and NFTS, 1972-1976

#### Series F. Miscellaneous, 1953-2003

**Extent** 0.8 linear feet (2 Hollinger boxes)

Scope and Content Note Contains prayers and poems authored by Norma Levitt, either for use by her synagogue, or for publication in books. The series also contains some autobiographical information and items from the American Jewish Committee.

#### Arrangement

The series is organized alphabetically by topic.

- Box 24. Folder 1. American Jewish Archives autobiographical questionnaire, 1975
- Box 24. Folder 2. American Jewish Archives autobiographical questionnaire, 1992
- Box 24. Folder 3. American Jewish Committee Interreligious Affairs Commission, 1980-1994
- Box 24. Folder 4. American Jewish Committee resource kit. Vatican Council II: Catholic-Jewish Relations, 1965-1985
- Box 24. Folder 5. Book. A Gift of Prayer, 2001
- Box 24. Folder 6. Book. Covenant of the Heart, 1993
- Box 24. Folder 7. Book. Covenant of the Soul, 2000
- Box 24. Folder 8. Book. Painted Prayers, 2002
- Box 24. Folder 9. Book. The Mitzvah of Healing, 2003
- Box 24. Folder 10. Covenant with the Lord play, 1951
- Box 24. Folder 11. Church women, 1974-1975
- Box 25. Folder 1. Poetry, 1971, 1975-1977, undated
- Box 25. Folder 2. Study Group, undated
- Box 25. Folder 3. Temple Beth-El, 1953, 1956, 1970-1971, 1978
- Box 25. Folder 4. Temple Beth-El confirmation services, 1958, 1962, 1963, undated
- Box 25. Folder 5. Women's Interreligious Study Tour of the Middle East, 1976
- Box 25. Folder 6. Miscellaneous, 1957, 1975-1976, 1979, 1994, undated