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Society of Jewish Bibliophiles Records
Manuscript Collection No. 856**

Collection Summary

Title	Society of Jewish Bibliophiles Records
Dates	1961-1983 (bulk 1961-1965)
Collection Number	MS-856
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Society of Jewish Bibliophiles Zafren, Herbert C., 1925-2005 Bamberger, Fritz, 1902-1984
Extent	1.4 linear feet (1 record carton, 1 Hollinger box)
Language of the Material	English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch	<p>The Society of Jewish Bibliophiles was founded in 1961 by Fritz Bamberger as a testimony to what he perceived to be the Jewish commitment to learning and knowledge. The Society of Jewish Bibliophiles was preceded by an organization called the Bibliophile Friends of the Jewish Book. The name was changed in 1962 when the organization incorporated.</p> <p>The aims of the Society of Jewish Bibliophiles were to stimulate book collecting, to further related bibliographical research, and to keep alive the classic tradition of excellence and beauty in the production of modern Jewish books. The Society organized meetings of Jewish bibliophiles, sponsored exhibitions, published Jewish books of bibliophilistic character under its own imprint, and encouraged the publication of such books by others.</p> <p>The Society of Jewish Bibliophiles actively held meetings from 1961 through 1967 and continued its publishing activities until 1971. This was followed by a significant period of inactivity and the ultimate dissolving of the Society in 1983.</p>
Scope and Content	Consists primarily of correspondence from the years 1961 to 1965. Also included are minutes and correspondence from the establishment of the Society in 1961, along with Articles of Incorporation and Code of Regulations.
Arrangement	This collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.
Terms of Access	The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.
Preferred Citation	Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Society of Jewish Bibliophiles Records and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows: [Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-856. Society of Jewish Bibliophiles Records. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Provenance	Received from Herbert C. Zafren, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Klau Library, Cincinnati, Ohio, October 2000.
Processing Information	Processed by Michelle Wirth Detroit, February 2012. This collection was arranged and described according to minimal-processing standards. Funding, in part, for the arrangement and description of this collection was provided by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission.

Index Terms

Subjects	Books and reading
Corporate Names	Society of Jewish Bibliophiles
Media	Charters and articles of incorporation / Minutes

Series A. General, 1961-1983

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. 1-26. Correspondence, 1961-1965

Box 1. 27. Correspondence. Bamberger, Fritz, 1961-1972

Box 1. 28. Correspondence. Rabbis, 1961

Box 2. 1. Broadside portfolio.

Box 2. 2. Copyright papers, 1968-1970

Box 2. 3. Dissolution [includes correspondence with Tobias, Gross, and Hirsch], 1977-1983

Box 2. 4. Official [and semi-official] documents and correspondence, 1961-1983

Box 2. 5. Publications list, 1961, 1971

Box 2. 6. Questionnaires, 1961-1962