

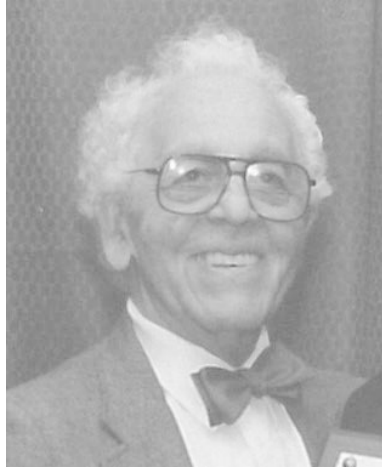


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**A Finding Aid to the  
Hyman Haves Papers**

**Manuscript Collection No. 861**



## Collection Summary

<b>Title</b>	Hyman Haves Papers
<b>Dates</b>	1984-2000
<b>Collection Number</b>	MS-861
<b>Repository</b>	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
<b>Creator</b>	Haves, Hyman Klutznick, Philip Morris, 1907-1999
<b>Extent</b>	2 linear feet (2 record cartons)
<b>Language of the Material</b>	English

## Administrative Information

### Biographical Sketch

Hyman Haves was born on February 15, 1916 in New York City to Mayer and Dora Gershfeld Haves. His father, Mayer Haves, emigrated from Poland, and his mother, Dora Gershfeld Haves, from Russia. Hyman Haves graduated from Hillhouse School in New Haven, Connecticut in 1932. After graduating from high school, he joined the B'nai B'rith young program Aleph Zadik Aleph (AZA), and participated fully.

At the age of 22, Haves became the New York City Director of B'nai B'rith. He then entered World War II, serving as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army Air Corps 528th Squadron, 380th Bomb Group. He was a combat navigator and acting Jewish chaplain in the South Pacific campaign.

After the war, Haves moved to Los Angeles to be a fundraiser and community organizer for what is today's Los Angeles Jewish Federation Council. He returned to Connecticut briefly, where he served as the first state Anti-Defamation League director, before coming back to Los Angeles in 1956.

In the 1950s, Haves served on the American Speakers Bureau, lecturing on human relations at Yale, Connecticut State College and the University of California. He also spent six years as national finance director for the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

In 1949, Haves married Sara Jane Ostrowsky, who died in 1960. They had two children, Maeera and Randy. Haves then married Ethel Linn in 1965, and established their home in Brentwood and later Pacific Palisades. Ethel died on May 22, 2009.

After Haves retired in 1978, he and Ethel were among the first residents in the Palisades Highlands. He began playing an active role in the community at large, serving as the first president of the Highlands Presidents Council and working with various homeowners associations on common issues. In retirement, Haves never lost his vigorous defense of human rights as he followed the local issues in Pacific Palisades. On January 25, 1978, Haves was honored in the Congressional Record by Senator Abraham Ribicoff.

--Adapted from "Hyman Haves, 94; a Lifelong Activist", Palisadian-Post (<http://www.palisadespost.com/obits/content.php?id=5742>). Accessed March 23, 2012.

### Scope and Content

Consists primarily of correspondence. A majority of this correspondence consists of letters to editors of various publications in which Haves shares his opinions and addresses a variety of social issues. Of particular interest in this collection is correspondence related to a conflict between B'nai B'rith and B'nai B'rith Women in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Also of interest is correspondence highlighting Haves' vehement opposition of state grant funding for the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles, California. There is also extensive correspondence between Haves and Philip M. Klutznick, where they discuss and debate the B'nai B'rith conflict, the Simon Wiesenthal Center grant issue, and many of the issues Haves' wrote about in his letters to editors.

### 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 Hyman Haves Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

[Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-861. Hyman Haves Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**Provenance** Received from Hyman Haves, Pacific Palisades, Calif., in various installments from February 1987 to May 2004.

**Processing Information** Processed by Michelle Wirth Detroit, April 2012.

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## Index Terms

**Subjects** Jews -- United States -- Societies, etc.

**Personal Names** Haves, Hyman, 1916-2010

**Corporate Names** B'nai B'rith Women / B'nai B'rith / B'nai B'rith. Anti-defamation League / B'nai B'rith. District Grand Lodge No. 4 / Museum of Tolerance (Simon Wiesenthal Center)

## Series A. General, 1984-2000

### Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1-4. General correspondence, 1987-1999

Box 1. Folder 5-6. B'nai B'rith and B'nai B'rith Women, 1986-1995

Box 1. Folder 7-8. Klutznick, Philip M., 1984-1997

Box 1. Folder 9-11. Simon Wiesenthal Center, Museum of Tolerance, 1986-1999

Box 2. Folder 1-7. Letters to editors, 1985-2000

Box 2. Folder 8-10. Ketubah contract. Ketubah B'nai B'rith newsletter, 1986-2000

Box 2. Folder 11. Awards/certificates, etc., 1992-1997