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**INDIANA JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
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## COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 manuscript box, 1 half manuscript box, 5 oversize manuscript folders, 3 cold storage photo folders, 1 cold storage slide folder, 1 OVB photograph folder, 1 bound volume
COLLECTION DATES:	Ca. 1920s–2016
PROVENANCE:	Mr. & Mrs. Max Einsteadig, Terre Haute, IN, May 2002; Indiana Jewish Historical Society, Fort Wayne, IN, February 2013, May 2016, August 2016
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## HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Indiana Jewish Historical Society was founded in 1972 to collect, preserve and publish material involving two hundred years of Jewish life in Indiana. The organization aims to gather and preserve the records of synagogues, temples and societies; Jewish life cycle demonstrations, such as Bar Mitzvah certificates, Confirmation certificates, Katubbot (marriage contracts); personal memorabilia, scrapbooks and diaries; burial and cemetery records; government documents such as naturalization records; newspaper and magazine articles; and photographs.

Another goal of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society is to provide data not always available to historians, scholars and authors, thus helping to provide an awareness of the role played by Jews and Jewish communities in the creation of the religious climate of Indiana.

The IJHS founders ensured that the Jewish experience throughout the state would be preserved and conveyed. They began an annual publication, *Indiana Jewish History*, which recorded:

- settlers in Richmond and Terre Haute in 1818
- the beginning of the Fort Wayne congregation in 1848 and the dedication of the Madison synagogue in 1855
- stores founded more than 100 years age in Plymouth, Wabash, Huntington, and North Manchester
- the role of the Lafayette congregation in the Reform movement in the late 19th century and the history of self-help organization in the community, beginning in 1907
- a forum which brought W.E.B. Du Bois of the NAACP and other speakers to Hammond during the heyday of the Ku Klux Klan life in Muncie and Columbia City in the 20th century

Sources:

Preface and Introduction from *A Users Guide to the Indianapolis Holdings of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society*

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection addition contains records and publications related to Jewish organizations in Indiana. A portion of this collection includes records related to the Indianapolis B'nai B'rith Youth Organization (BBYO), such as the Anderson Lodge charter, committee and member lists, meeting notices and minutes, event promotional materials and scripts, subdivision constitutions and policies, agreements and correspondence with the Jewish Community Center Association, a 48th Indiana State Associations' Convention program, and a B'nai B'rith Women's scrapbook.

Also included in the collection are several Jewish publications, including assorted issues of the Albert and Sara Reuben Center newsletter, the *Besamim* newsletter of Congregation Beth-El Zedeck, the *District Two B'nai B'rith News*, the *Hooverwood Guild Hi-lites*, the Indianapolis Chapter of Hadassah newsletter, the *Indiana Jewish Chronicle*, the Jewish Community Center's *Update*, the *Jewish Federation (JFGI) News*, *The JWF Report* of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Indianapolis, the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) *Bulletin*, the *NCJW News*, and *The Shofar* BBYO newspaper. Other publications in the collection are a copy of *The Hillelite* from Purdue University's B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation, a *Hadassah Gram* from the Fort Wayne Chapter of Hadassah, a Congregation Sons of Abraham newsletter, and an edition of the Indiana Historical Society's *INPerspective*. The collection also contains news clippings related to the publication of the book *Shanghai Refuge* by Ernest G. Heppner and miscellaneous news clippings about the activities held by Jewish organizations in Indiana.

In addition to the above mentioned, the collection contains an assortment of materials related to Jewish organizations, activities, and life in Indiana. The collection includes scripts, publicity, a poster, and other materials regarding the 1974 Federation Follies organized by the Jewish Welfare Federation. Related to the National Council of Jewish Women, the collection contains assorted President's Message articles, stationary and contribution materials, and a 1995 Youth Yellow Pages. Other materials include a book titled *The Ancestors of Our Children (and Cousins, Too)* by Maynard Abrams, materials related to the centennial of the Bureau of Jewish Education, a notebook recording details of the 1964 Business Men's Luncheon, promotional materials of Child Advocates, correspondence on forming a Jewish lawyers association, materials about the Drew Corson Memorial basketball tournament, a Jewish Perspective notebook, a presentation about Harry Danning to the IJHS 2008 Annual Meeting, a 1942 "Report to the community, Army & Navy Committee of the Jewish Welfare Board," Temple Israel (Elkhart) Torah dedication service inscriptions, and miscellaneous correspondence, invitations, and event programs.

Finally, the collection also includes some photos and slides. The photos depict participants at the Ohio Valley Federation of Temple Youth TOOT program, Congregation B'nai Judah in Whiting, Indiana, and youth at the Fort Wayne Country Club pool, as well as photos of unidentified events and individuals. The slides in the collection form a presentation titled "Who's Who in Jewish American History" with images of prominent Jewish figures.

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