TRENT D. PENDLEY

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 manuscript box


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NOTES: This forms part of the collection of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society.
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Trent D. Pendley became a member of the Indiana Jewish Historical Society at the age of eighteen, and was elected its president in October of 2003. He is now serving his sixth term in office. His profile on the Indiana Jewish Historical Society’s webpage states:

“Pendley is a fine jeweler, writer and an advocate for social justice and Tikkun O'lam (repair of the world). He is also an avid reader and collector of fine arts. He has served on the Board of Directors of UJA, JNF, Hillel-ASU, Aviv, and the Sylvia Plotkin Judaica Museum in Greater Phoenix; The Greater Crown Point Chamber of Commerce, The Northwest Indiana Open Housing Center, and The Indiana Jewish Historical Society, presently as President; and Temple Beth El in Odessa, Texas. He has also served in positions with the ADL, AJC, and B'nai B'rith. He is a member of Temple Israel in Miller Beach (Gary, Indiana).

“He is also on the ADL’s Upper Midwest Division’s Civil Right’s committee. He was a 1993 Leslie Wexner Heritage Foundation nominee; a columnist and former editor of the 'Illiana News.' He covered the historic Sadat visit to Jerusalem in 1977 when an Indiana University overseas studies student at the Hebrew University in Israel.

“Trent has served as the Social Action chair of Temple Israel in Gary, Indiana and he is the Public Relations counsel to American Dream Realty in Crown Point. Since being installed as the IJHS president, he has created the IJHS Honorary Board and is diligently at work on "The IJHS Mapping Project."

Sources:
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection is contained in one legal-sized manuscript box. The materials are divided into seven folders:


Folder 2: Correspondence and Mailings, 2003: This folder contains correspondence between Pendley and various government officials concerning an Osceola, Indiana campground, which became the headquarters for the National Knights of the KKK, whose members disturbed and terrorized neighbors and other locals. The folder also contains a mailing from the Natural Resources Defense Council and three event invitations.

Folder 3: Miscellaneous Archives Gifts, 1998–2003: This folder contains miscellaneous gifts given to Trent D. Pendley for his Indiana Jewish Historical Society Archives. This includes a framed photograph with accompanying letter (2003), Doris Finkel Peltz’s notes to her brother and acceptance speech when she was nominated to the Gary, Indiana Steel City Hall of Fame in 1998, and an acknowledgment form of June Wallace Looby’s donation of a menorah, candles and Danish History to the Spertus Museum of Chicago.

Folder 4: Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings, 1996–2003: This folder contains newspaper clippings pertinent to the IJHS archives. Articles include descriptions of events and accomplishments of Indiana Jews, as well as some obituaries. Pendley has handwritten notes on many of these clippings. The folder also includes a copy of the Illiana News from September of 2003.


Folder 6: Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana Materials 2002–03: This folder contains materials related to the Jewish Federation of Northwest Indiana (JFNI). Items include mailings, event invitations and programs, and the Fall 2003 issue of the AJC Update.

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