

Temple Adath Shalom
Jewish Historical Society of MetroWest Archives
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Record Group: 1

Collection Number: 2-01

Creator: Temple Adath Shalom

Inclusive Dates: 1917-1994

Extent: 4 cf

Abstract: Historical records of Temple Adath Shalom

Acquisition information: Acquired by the Society in 2001. Numerous documents remain at the Temple. Records in the collection were donated by Eleanor Cohn, Sheila Mollen, and Sidney Schwartz and are noted in the container list on Past Perfect.

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History:

Congregation Adath Shalom is a Conservative synagogue located in Morris Plains, New Jersey, and is the result of the merger of Congregation Adath Israel (Dover Jewish Center) and Temple Shalom of Boonton. Congregation Adath Israel was founded in 1917, and met in empty stores and rented halls until 1936, when, through the work of the Ladies Auxiliary, the congregation had been able to raise enough money to build a synagogue, eventually known as the Dover Jewish Center. Adath Israel (Dover Jewish Center) was led by Rabbi Samuel Adelman from 1936 to 1950. By the mid 1950s, the congregation has outgrown the original synagogue, and a new building was opened in 1965. In 1988, the Adath Israel (Dover Jewish Center) merged with Temple Shalom of Boonton to become Adath Shalom and the congregation's new home is in Morris Plains, NJ.

Scope and Content:

The collection was discovered by the new archivist in early 2008 and re-arranged for a more thorough consistency. Because of the various name changes of the institution, the arrangement has been divided by each institution's name. To better understand the collection, it was decided to arrange the collection by each synagogue as its own series.

Conservation Notes: n/a

Removals: None.

Organization:

The arrangement is alphabetical, then chronological. This collection is comprised of paper and photographs and is divided into five series as follows:

- I. Adath Shalom
 - a. Administrative
 - b. Awards and Certificates
 - c. Clubs & Groups
 - d. Events
 - e. History
 - f. Legal
 - g. Press
 - h. Membership
 - i. Miscellaneous
 - j. Publicity

- II. Temple Beth Shalom
 - a. Awards and Certificates
 - b. Legal
 - c. Events/Programs

- III. Dover Jewish Center
 - a. Administrative
 - b. Awards and Certificates
 - c. Committees
 - d. Education
 - e. Events
 - f. General
 - g. History
 - h. Membership
 - i. Publications
 - j. Publicity
 - k. Press

1. Sisterhood
 1. Administrative
 2. Committees
 3. Events
 4. Finance
 5. Miscellaneous
 6. Publications

IV. Photographs

- a. Adath Shalom
- b. Temple Beth Shalom
- c. Dover Jewish Center

V. Audio-Visual Materials