Record Group: 1

Collection Number: 21-05

Creator: Temple Beth Shalom

Inclusive Dates: 1977-present

Extent: 1 cf

Abstract: Historical records of Temple Beth Shalom

Acquisition information: Acquired by the Society in 2005 and we currently receive newsletters.

Preferred Citation: Temple Beth Shalom Collection, Jewish Historical Society of MetroWest

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History:
The congregation was founded by 6 families seeking a Conservative Jewish service in the growing suburb of Livingston, New Jersey. Sanford Freedman, was one of the original founders and first president of the then called Livingston Jewish Center. The first service was held on September 4, 1951 and by the end of the month, sixty-four boys and girls attended classes in the Religious School which was held in alternating private homes of the congregants. It was at this time that the congregation voted to affiliate itself with the United Synagogue of America.
**Scope and Content:**
There are few early documents from this collection. The majority of materials are of the newsletters (2004-present) which the Jewish Historical Society of MetroWest receives on a monthly basis.

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

I. Correspondence  
II. Events  
III. Publications – Newsletters  
IV. Press – Newspaper Clippings

**Conservation Notes:**  
n/a

**Removals:**  
N/A

**Organization:**  
The materials are organized alphabetically, then chronologically within the series.