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**Inventory of the National Council of Jewish
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Descriptive Summary

Title:	National Council of Jewish Women Charleston Section records
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Abstract:	The collection consists of the records of the Charleston Section of the National Council of Jewish Women. A substantial portion of the collection documents the Charleston Section's fundraising activities, charitable and educational programs, membership events, and 100th anniversary celebration through photographs, printed matter, newspaper clippings, and other materials. Also included are materials documenting its administrative and financial activities and early history.
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Historical Note

Founded in Chicago in 1893 by Hannah G. Solomon, the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) is a national membership organization dedicated to religious, philanthropic, and educational endeavors. Rebecca O. Cohen, who also served as the Section's first president, organized the Charleston Section in 1906. NCJW's early volunteerism focused on assisting Eastern European immigrants and improving the lives of women, children, and families by offering vocational classes to teach job skills, providing public health services, supplying aid at home and abroad during World War I and II, and campaigning for social legislation regarding child labor, women's rights, and civil rights. The Charleston Section operated in the tri-county area of Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester Counties. Revenues used to support events and programs were acquired through admission fees, annual dues, fund raising activities, and contributions. In recent years the Charleston Section has sponsored projects to promote women's reproductive freedom and combat domestic violence, notably an annual 5k Walk Against Domestic Violence.

Collection Overview

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Collection Arrangement

1. Administrative records, 1906-2011
2. Financial records, 1934-2010
3. Publications, 1912-2010
4. Fundraisers, programs, and events, 1931-2012
5. Scrapbooks, 1906-1996

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Related Material

Related materials in Special Collections include the pamphlets *The Sixtieth Anniversary of the Charleston Section, National Council of Jewish Women program, Monday, February 21, 1966*; *Bulletin: Charleston Section, National Council of Jewish Women; 100 Years of Service: 100th Anniversary, 1906-2006*; and the publications *Proceedings of the First Convention of the National Council of Jewish Women Held at New York, November 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19, 1896* by the National Council of Jewish Women; *Gone to Another Meeting: The National Council of Jewish Women, 1893-1993* by Faith Rogrow; *A Book of Favorite Recipes* by the National Council of Jewish Women, Greater Houston Section, Career Branch, West Houston; *Windows on Daycare: A Report on the Findings of Members of the National Council of Jewish Women on Daycare Needs and Services in Their Communities* by Mary Dublin Keyserling; and *The First Fifty Years: A History of the National Council of Jewish Women, 1893-1943* by Monroe Campbell.

Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names

National Council of Jewish Women. Charleston Section

Subjects

Jews--South Carolina--Charleston--Societies, etc.
Jewish women--South Carolina--Charleston--Charities
Fund raising--South Carolina--Charleston

Places

Charleston (S.C.)

Types of Material

Minutes
Photocopies
Color photographs
Black-and-white photographs
Photo CDs
Fliers (printed matter)
Promotional materials
Clippings (information artifacts)
Newsletters
Rosters
Correspondence
Cashbooks
Financial statements
DVDs
Scrapbooks

Administrative Information

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Administrative records, 1906-2011

Box 1 Folder 1 Bylaws and mission statement, 1955, undated

Minutes, 1906-2010, undated

Executive board and meeting minutes from 1906 to 1950 and addendums and motions are photocopies of originals held by the Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives (AJA), on the Cincinnati Campus of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. Materials may not be duplicated or published without explicit permission from the American Jewish Archives.

Box 1 Folder 2 Minutes, 1906-1907

Minutes pertain to clothing aid for San Francisco earthquake victims; suggestions for philanthropic work; immigrant assistance programs; and fund raising.

Box 1 Folder 3 Executive board minutes, 1907-1918

Minutes pertain to immigration and naturalization programs and policies; religious education; kindergarten programs; adult and child literacy; Jewish social issues; the publication of *Secular and Religious Works of Penina Moïse: With Brief Sketch of Her Life*; the distribution of Penina Moïse poems to all NCJW sections; World War I aid programs such as the Red Cross and sale of relief stamps; women's suffrage; and collaborations with Christian organizations.

Box 1 Folder 4 Minutes, 1907-1913

Minutes pertain to immigrant assistance programs and policies; religious education; adult and child literacy; and Jewish social issues.

Box 1 Folder 5 Minutes, 1919-1927

Minutes pertain to new programs addressing such health issues as tuberculosis and hygiene; women's suffrage and rights; immigrant assistance programs; literacy programs; adult and child religious education; and fundraising.

Box 1 Folder 6 Minutes, 1927-1931

Minutes pertain to programs for orphans, Girl Scouts, and the League for the Hard of Hearing.

Box 2 Folder 1 Minutes, 1931-1939

Minutes pertain to new programs including a Rummage Sale; outreach to rural Jewish women titled Farm and Rural Work; a women's exhibit at the 1933 World's Fair; Diabetes Tag Day fundraiser; and endorsements of legislation including the Copeland Bill, a predecessor to the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act of 1934

Box 2 Folder 2 Minutes, 1939-1945

Minutes pertain to Charleston city beautification and the use of a casino night to raise money; new programs aiding the U.S.O.; entertaining U.S. soldiers at Stark Hospital, Charleston; supporting the March of Dimes; and endorsing a testimonial for NCJW founder Hannah Solomon upon news of her death.

Box 2 Folder 3

Minutes, 1945-1950

Minutes pertain to the Section's continuing support for equal rights, notably for racial integration of the Charleston Police Department; aid to the Pinehaven Tuberculosis Sanitarium; the Ship-a-Box program for at-risk children in Israel; unrestricted Jewish immigration to Palestine; creation of a Walterboro sub-section; establishment of a Mental Hygiene clinic, a precursor to sex education; and a declaration opposing Eugene McCarthy and congressional inquiries into "un-American activities" (the Second Red Scare) as a threat to democracy.

Box 2 Folder 4

Minutes, 1997-2000

Minutes pertain to religious education programs; adult and child literacy; senior citizens programs; voter registration; domestic violence aid and prevention; female reproductive freedom; Charleston's Crisis Ministries soup kitchen; and Hello Israel, a program designed to introduce elementary school children to Israel and Israeli customs.

Box 2 Folder 5

Minutes, 2001-2005

Minutes pertain to senior citizen's programs; domestic violence programs; Charleston's Crisis Ministries soup kitchen; education programs; the Hello Israel program; and assorted fundraising events. Minutes also detail the planning and implementation of 100th Anniversary commemoration.

Box 2 Folder 6

Minutes, 2006-2010

Minutes pertain to the Section's continued support for activities to combat domestic violence, including the Goodwill program and 5k run, and efforts to promote women's reproductive freedom (the NCJW Plan A program), Charleston's Crisis Ministries, and Hello Israel. Minutes also detail the planning and implementation of 100th Anniversary commemoration.

Box 2 Folder 7

Addendums and motions, undated

Membership records, 1945-2011, undated

Box 3 Folder 1

Bound membership roster, 1945-1949

Box 3 Folder 2

Membership and board rosters, 1970-2011

Box 3 Folder 3

Life membership keychain, undated

NCJW resources, 1946-2003, undated

Box 3 Folder 4

Resources for section leaders, 1946-1996, undated

Videotape 1038-v01

"Creating a Compelling Brand for NCJW," 2003

Videotape 1038-v02

"Timeline to the Future," undated

- Box 3 Folder 5 Correspondence, 1960-2010
- Box 3 Folder 6 Clippings, 1938-2010, undated

2. Financial records, 1934-2010

- Box 4 Folder 1 Cashbook, 1934-1944
- Box 4 Folder 2 Cashbook, 1945-1950
- Box 4 Folder 3 Financial statements, 1980, 2007, 2008
- Box 4 Folder 4 Budget materials, 2003-2010

Also includes checks stubs and a typed Happy Workers budget for 1948 to 1949.

3. Publications, 1912-2010

- Box 4 Folder 5 Annuals and anniversary programs, 1912-1956
- Box Folder 6 *Bulletin* newsletter, 1935-1999
- Box 4 Folder 7 *Charleston Jewish Journal*, 2000
- Box 4 Folder 8 *The Councillor* newsletter, 1975-1981
- Box 4 Folder 9 *The Kibbitzer* newsletter, 2003-2010
- Box 4 Folder 10 *NCJW Journal*, 2004-2005
- Box 4 Folder 11 NCJW Charleston Section newsletter, 2001-2002
- Box 4 Folder 12 Miscellaneous, 1966-2008, undated

4. Fundraisers, programs, and events, 1931-2012

- Box 5 Folder 1 Twenty fifth-anniversary congratulations, 1931
- Box 5 Folder 2 Scrapbook, 1950-1967
- Box 5 Folder 3 Promotional materials, 1959-1961
- Box 5 Folder 4 Photographs, 2007, undated
- Box 5 Folder 5 Miscellaneous, 1964-1971, undated
- Box 5 Folder 6-7 Justice for Children resource materials, 1971-1980, undated
- Bargainata annual fundraiser, 1973-1984, undated
- Box 5 Folder 8 Promotional materials, 1973-1984, undated

Bound book of congratulatory telegrams and letters from national and regional NCJW sections and local Jewish women's organizations.

Diabetes clinic tag day, 1950-2007, undated

Box 5 Folder 9	Clippings, 1977-1984
Box 5 Folder 10	Theresa Levy Livingstain Day, 1975-1999, undated Senior citizen programs, 1977-2005, undated
Box 6 Folder 1	Planning and financial materials, 1977-1981
Box 6 Folder 2	Photographs, 2002, 2005, undated
Box 6 Folder 3	White House Conference on Families, 1977-1980
Box 6 Folder 4	Annual National Support (ANS), 1977, undated
Box 6 Folder 5	Tay-Sachs disease, 1977, undated
Box 6 Folder 6	Ship-a-Box, 1978-1979, undated
Box 6 Folder 7	Goin' in Style summer fundraiser, 1980
Box 6 Folder 8	Soviet Jewish immigration program, 1980-1991
Box 6 Folder 9	Arthur Ravenel and Wheeler Tillman debate, 1988 Debate between candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives.
Box 6 Folder 10	Membership events, 1989-2007, undated
Box 6 Folder 11	Summer picnic, 1990
Box 6 Folder 12	Benchmark: NCJW's judicial nominations campaign, 1991-2010, undated The Woman Who Makes a Difference award, 1991-2009, undated
Box 6 Folder 13	Promotional materials, 2001-2009, undated
Box 6 Folder 14	Photographs, 2005-2009, undated
Box 6 Folder 15	Installations of officers and board, 1992-2010, undated
Box 6 Folder 15	Promotional materials, 1994-2010, undated
Box 6 Folder 16	Photographs, 1997-2008, undated
Box 6 Folder 17	Miscellaneous, 1992-2006, undated Hello Israel project, 1994-2005, undated
Box 7 Folder 1	Organizational guide and PR package, 1994
Box 7 Folder 2	Photographs, 1998, 2004, undated
Box 7 Folder 3	Thank-you letters from students, 2000-2001, undated
Box 7 Folder 4	Clippings, 1994-2005
Box 7 Folder 5	Anne Oppenheimer Leadership Training, 1996

Box 7 Folder 6	40th National Convention, 1996
Box 7 Folder 7	Membership meetings, 1996-2011, undated
Box 7 Folder 8	Y2K lecture, 2000
Box 7 Folder 9	Hannah G. Solomon award, 2000 Chocolate and Massage fundraiser, 2003-2004
Box 7 Folder 10	Promotional materials, 2003-2004
Box 7 Folder 11	Photographs, 2003-2004
Box 7 Folder 12	Crisis Ministries soup kitchen, 2004 Domestic violence programs, 2004-2008
Box 7 Folder 13	Promotional materials, 2004-2008, undated
Box 7 Folder 14	Photographs, 2004-2008, undated
Box 7 Folder 15	Planning materials, 2007-2009, undated
Box 7 Folder 16	Clippings, 2003-2008
Box 8 Folder 1	Game Day fundraiser, 2005
Box 8 Folder 2	Cooking classes, 2005-2006 100th anniversary, 2004-2006, undated
Box 8 Folder 3	Anniversary planning meeting minutes, 2004-2005
Box 8 Folder 4	Financial materials, 2006
Box 8 Folder 5	Contributors and donations, 2005, undated
Box 8 Folder 6	Past presidents lists, 2004-2006, undated
Box 8 Folder 7	Promotional materials, 2005, undated
Box 8 Folder 8	Printed materials, 2005-2006, undated
Box 8 Folder 9	National Council of Jewish Women Day, 2006 Resolution from Mayor Joseph A. Riley.
Box 8 Folder 10	Clippings, 2005-2006, undated Photographs, 2005-2006, undated
Box 8 Folder 11	100th anniversary, 2006
CD 1038-cd01	"List of Past pres., 10 decades of service, NCJW," 2005 October 31

CD 1038-cd02	"Page layout group shot, 3 individual shots," 2005 November 1
CD 1038-cd03	"NCJW-100th," 2006 February 26
CD 1038-cd04	"NCJW 100th Committee," undated
CD 1038-cd05	"Presidents Anita, Frances, Susan," undated
CD 1038-cd06	"NCJW stock photos," undated
CD 1038-cd07	"2 photos filler for 37th and 38th presidents," undated
CD 1038-cd08	"54, 55, and fillers," undated
CD 1038-cd09	"NCJW 2," undated
CD 1038-cd10	"NCJW 2," undated
CD 1038-cd11	"Faye and Ann, Tri-presidents," undated
CD 1038-cd12	"Faye Four corr.," undated
CD 1038-cd13	"Radin #3," undated
CD 1038-cd14	"NCJW for Sandi," undated
CD 1038-cd15	"NCJW images for 100th anniversary, Disc 1," undated
CD 1038-cd16	"NCJW images for 100th anniversary," undated
CD 1038-cd17	"NCJW images for 100th anniversary," undated
CD 1038-cd18	"NCJW images for 100th anniversary," undated
CD 1038-cd19	"NCJW images for 100th anniversary," undated
CD 1038-cd20	"100 years-script with text and pic," undated

Audiovisual, 2006, undated

DVD 1038-d01	"NCJW, Charleston Section, Celebrating 100 Years, 1906-2006, Charleston, SC," 2006
DVD 1038-d02	"NCJW (National Council of Jewish Women) Charleston Section presents 100 Years of Service, 1906-2006," 2006
DVD 1038-d03	"New files, NCJW," undated
DVD 1038-d04	"NCJW," undated
DVD 1038-d05	"Untitled, undated,"

Box 8 Folder 12	Miscellaneous, 2005-2006
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Box 8 Folder 13	GoGirlGo!, 2006-2007
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- Box 8 Folder 14 College students Shabbat dinner at KKBE, 2007
- Box 8 Folder 15 Holiday gift-wrapping at Barnes and Noble, 2007-2009
- Box 8 Folder 16 Chocolate and Politics event, 2008
- Box 8 Folder 17 Senator Glenn McConnell reception, 2009
- Box 8 Folder 18 Brunch honoring past presidents, 2009
- Box 8 Folder 19 Tammie Schnitzer lecture, undated
- Box 8 Folder 20 Burke High School SAT tutoring, undated
- Box 8 Folder 21 Projects and events fliers, 1989-2012, undated
- Box 8 Folder 22 Miscellaneous, 1938-2008, undated

5. Scrapbooks, 1906-1967

- Box 9 Scrapbook, 1906-1964

Contains a retrospective history of the organization through lists of past presidents and charter members; annual reports; project and program information; clippings; memorials; photographs of officers and of the 50th anniversary; awards and certificates; section projects; and publications. Materials have been removed from original housing.

- Box 9 Scrapbook, 1965-1967, undated

Contains assorted black and white photographs, clippings, and schedules related to the You, Your Child, and Tomorrow and The Face of Poverty seminars. Materials have been removed from original housing.