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**Inventory of the Temple Sinai
(Sumter, S.C.) Records, 1789-2012**

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Temple Sinai (Sumter, S.C.) records
Date(s)	1789-2012
Date(s)	(bulk 1920-1996)
Creator:	Congregation Sinai (Sumter, S.C.)
Abstract:	Records of Temple Sinai, a Reform Jewish synagogue in Sumter, South Carolina. Materials document the administrative, financial, social, educational, charitable, and spiritual activities of the congregation and its members. Also included are materials documenting prominent Jewish individuals and families of Sumter, including Penina Moïse and the Moses family.
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Historical Note

Temple Sinai, a Reform Jewish congregation located in Sumter, South Carolina, was established in 1895; however, the history of Sumter's Jewish population dates from the early 19th century. The first sign of a Jewish organization in Sumter appeared in 1874 with the purchase of land for a cemetery by the Sumter Hebrew Cemetery Society. Some time later, another group founded the Sumter Hebrew Benevolent Society, which merged with the Hebrew Cemetery Society in 1881 under the Benevolent Society name. In 1895, the Benevolent Society merged once again, this time with the recently formed Sumter Society of Israelites, the official name of Temple Sinai.

The congregation, consisting largely of members of the Phelps, Moïse, Moses, Ryttenberg, and Barnett families, met at the local Masonic hall on the northwest corner of Main and Liberty Streets until the first temple was constructed on the southeast corner of Hampton Avenue and Church Street. The original wooden synagogue was replaced in 1912 by a brick building with ten stained glass windows depicting scenes from the Old Testament. Several major additions to the synagogue were built over the 20th century, including an auditorium, banquet hall, classrooms, and offices in 1932 funded by the Barnett Memorial; the Hyman Brody building consisting of a kitchen and additional classrooms and offices in 1957; and a substantial remodeling of the sanctuary in 1969. In 1999, the synagogue was added to the National Register of Historic Places and, in 2009, a South Carolina State Historical Marker was placed outside the temple.

Temple Sinai was served by visiting rabbis from Charleston and Augusta, Georgia, until 1904, when Rabbi Jacob Klein settled in Sumter. Tenures were also held by Rabbi Ferdinand Hirsch (1920s), Rabbi Hirsch Freund (late 1920s-early 1930s), Rabbi Samuel Shillman (1930s-1940s), Rabbi Jacob Aaron Levy (1950s-1970s), Rabbi Edward Miskin (early 1970s), Rabbi Avshalom Magidovitch (1970s), Rabbi Milton Schlager (1980s), and Rabbi Richard Leviton (1990s).

Besides providing regular services, Temple Sinai offered religious education courses for all ages, maintained a cemetery, and supported an active sisterhood, men's club, and youth group. Members were involved in numerous charitable organizations, including the Jewish Welfare Fund of Sumter, the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs, and Sumter's Covenant Place senior living community. Synagogue attendance peaked in the 1970s. With its membership aging and declining in numbers, the congregation partnered with Charleston's Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim in 2011 to prepare for its eventual closing.

Collection Overview

The collection consists of the records of Temple Sinai, a Reform Jewish synagogue in Sumter, South Carolina. The administrative, financial, religious, and charitable activities of the congregation are well documented by the correspondence, meeting minutes, ledgers, and annual reports of the congregation's various committees and officers. In addition, a substantial portion of material relates to the activities of the temple's sisterhood, men's club, youth group, and religious school. The collection also includes papers and artifacts that document prominent Jewish families of Sumter in the 19th and early 20th centuries, such as the Moïse and Moses families. Of particular note are the scrapbooks, correspondence, and published poems of Penina Moïse, one of America's earliest Jewish woman poets and hymnists.

Collection Arrangement

Materials are arranged in ten series:

1. Administrative Records, 1881-2022
2. History, 1821-2011
3. Publications, 1929-2012
4. Financial Records, 1881-1999
5. Facilities, circa 1865-2008
6. Events and Worship Services, 1918-2000
7. Projects and Charitable Donations, 1926-2001
8. Organizations, 1901-2001
9. Resources and Topical Files, 1891-2001
10. Artifacts, 1789-circa 1985

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Related Material

Related materials housed in Special Collections include a copy of *Can Do Too Cookery*, a Temple Sinai Sisterhood cookbook; several publications and manuscript collections relating to the Moïse family; and over a dozen oral history interviews with members of Temple Sinai.

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

- Moïse, Penina
- Moses family
- Congregation Sinai (Sumter, S.C.)

Subjects

- Jews--South Carolina--Sumter
- Synagogues--South Carolina--Sumter
- Reform Judaism--South Carolina--Sumter

Places

- Sumter (S.C.)

Types of Material

- Administrative records
- Annual reports
- Artifacts
- Audiocassette tapes
- Books
- Correspondence
- Financial records
- Ledgers (account books)
- Minutes
- Photographs
- Poetry
- Scrapbooks
- Textiles

Administrative Information

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Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Administrative records, 1881-2011

Box 1 Folder 1-2	Constitution and by-laws, 1907-1991
Box 1 Folder 3	Officer and committee lists, 1922-1996
	Board of Directors, Executive Board, and Board of Trustees
Box 1 Folder 4	Board member lists, 1955-2000
Box 1 Folder 5	Nominating Committee, 1947-1997
	Includes reports, minutes, and correspondence regarding those elected to the board of directors.
Box 1 Folder 6	Correspondence, 1927-2000
Box 1 Folder 7-10	Meeting minutes, 1917-1943, 1953-1984
Box 2 Folder 1-5	Meeting minutes, 1985-2000
	Congregational meetings
	Includes materials relating to annual and semi-annual meetings. At each meeting, congregation and committee leaders would report on their activities. The reports of the following committees, groups, and individuals are located in their respective series and sub-series: Membership, Rabbis, Sisterhood, Men's Club, Temple Youth, Building Cemetery, Library, Choir, Religious School, Charity, Budget and Finance, Trust funds, and Secretary-Treasurer.
Box 2 Folder 6-8	"Minutes of the Sumter Hebrew Benevolent Society" microfilm printouts, 1881-1917
	Also includes correspondence and other administrative papers.
Box 3 Folder 1-3	Meeting minutes, 1918-1999
	Includes meeting notices.
Box 3 Folder 4	President reports, 1926-1997
Box 3 Folder 5	Miscellaneous committee reports, 1924-1989
	Includes reports from the Visiting Committee, Transit Committee, and the Worship Committee.
Box 3 Folder 6	Correspondence, 1940-2000
	Includes correspondence regarding the identification of respondents' religion in the 1960 census.
	Membership
Box 3 Folder 7	Membership committee reports, 1954-1995

Box 3 Folder 8-10	Member and dues lists, 1916-1995
Box 4 Folder 1-6	Ledgers, 1915-1918, 1932-1939, 1952-1980
	Ledgers list member names and dues paid. Some include information regarding cemetery plots and other miscellaneous expenses.
Box 4 Folder 7-9	Correspondence, 1918-2000
Box 4 Folder 10	Applications, 1999, undated
Box 5 Folder 1	Marriage contracts, 1806, 1943, 1973, undated
Box 5 Folder 2	Conversion certificates, 1957-1977, 1991
Rabbis	
Box 5 Folder 3	Rabbi reports, 1928-1998
Box 5 Folder 4	Rabbi Replacement Committee and Pulpit Committee reports, 1971-1982
Box 5 Folder 5	Correspondence, 1919-1997
	Regarding rabbinical pensions, salaries, and potential hires.
Box 5 Folder 6	Ferdinand K. Hirsch, 1919-1927
	Includes correspondence and a photograph of Hirsch.
Box 5 Folder 7	Jacob Aaron Levy, 1949-1971
	Includes correspondence, pension information, and an obituary.
Box 46	Jacob Aaron Levy certificates, 1946-1968
	Regarding his service as chaplain for the United States Armed Forces.
Box 5 Folder 8	Avshalom Magidovitch, 1972-1978
	Includes correspondence, contracts, pension plan information, and a newspaper clipping with biographical information.
Box 5 Folder 9	Milton I. Schlager, 1985-1990
	Includes contracts and correspondence regarding retirement and pensions.
Box 5 Folder 10	Richard M. Leviton, 1990-1996
	Includes correspondence, pension information, contracts, parsonage allowance, housing information, and Leviton's resume.
Box 5 Folder 11	Other rabbis, 1918-1990 (scattered)
	Includes correspondence relating to Samuel R. Shillman and Edward Miskin. Also includes a legal summons from David Klein regarding a financial issue and photographs of Shillman and Hirsch Freund.

Box 5 Folder 12	Miscellaneous, 1957-1998 (scattered)
	Includes budget, pension, and placement information.
	Union of American Hebrew Congregations (UAHC)
Box 5 Folder 13	Administrative, 1925-1997
	Includes booklets, constitution and bylaws, newsletters, reports, officer lists, and resolutions.
Box 5 Folder 14	Dues and financial records, 1922-1989
Box 6 Folder 1	Southeast Council, 1989-1992
	Includes newsletters, directories, correspondence, and reports.
Box 6 Folder 2-3	Correspondence, 1923-1997
Box 6 Folder 4	Programs and events, 1933-1995
Box 6 Folder 5	Commission on Synagogue Activities sample materials and order forms, 1947-1948
Box 6 Folder 6	Miscellaneous, 1926-2011 (scattered)
	Includes letterhead, registration paperwork, brochures, certificates, newspaper clippings, and a document explaining the temple's partnership with Charleston's Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim in 2011 in response to Temple Sinai's declining membership.

2. History, 1827-2011

	Consists of materials relating to the history of Temple Sinai as well as the history of its members and Sumter's prominent Jewish families.
Box 6 Folder 7	General histories, circa 1921-2011
Box 6 Folder 8	Synagogue photographs, 1900s-1930s
	Includes images of original synagogue.
	Tributes and memorials
Box 6 Folder 9	Memorials, 1936-1985
Box 6 Folder 10	Correspondence, 1932-1992, undated
Box 46	Temple Sinai Endowment Fund book, a.k.a. the Book of Remembrance, 1960-1991
Box 6 Folder 11	Remembrance Fund reports, 1951-1997
Box 6 Folder 12-13	Remembrance Fund ledger, 1946-1979
	Lists memorials, contributors, and monetary donations.
	"Sons of Sumter" banner, 1945

(Folio shelving in rare book vault | 1 rolled item)
 A banner created as a memorial to the Jewish WWII veterans of Sumter.

Box 7 Folder 1 "Sons of Sumter" banner support material, 1943-1945

Includes a list of veterans with biographical information compiled by Herbert A. Moses, a color printout of a photograph of the Sons of Sumter banner, and correspondence regarding the creation of the banner.

Box 7 Folder 2 Yahrzeit and yizkor lists, 1997, 2001-2003

Families and individuals

Box 7 Folder 3 Genealogical information, undated

Mostly comprised of surveys asking members to list ancestors and birth and death information.

Box 7 Folder 4 Goldstein, Joe, 1986, 1989

Box 7 Folder 5 Levi, Wendell Mitchell, 1932-1991

Moise family

Additional Moise family material can be found in the Artifacts series.

Penina Moise

Box 7 Folder 6 Biographies, 1885, 1940, 1950, 1981, undated

Box 7 Folder 7-9 Poems, undated

Clipped from newspapers. Some include marginalia and corrections possibly made by Moise.

Box 7 Folder 10 World Portraits Authors series of poems, undated

Box 7 Folder 11-12 "Original writings of Miss Penina Moise belonging to Mrs. S.A. Dinkins: Miscellaneous Scribblings by Penina Moise (reversed initials M.P.)," 1894

Box 7 Folder 13 Other writings, 1875-1892

Box 8 Folder 1-2 Scrapbook created by Penina Moise for her niece, Nina Moise Solomon Phelps, 1890s

Includes children's stories, love stories, colored pictures, and magazine illustrations.

Box 8 Folder 3 Penina "Nina" Moise Solomons Phelps, 1876-1973

Niece of Penina Moise. Includes correspondence from Penina Moise, biographies, and a photograph.

Box 8 Folder 4-5 Abraham Moise scrapbook, circa 1827-1879

Attached note states: "Original volume by Abraham Moïse, born Charleston, S.C. 1777, died Sumter, S.C. 1869. The book contains his handwritten comments and a collection of newspaper clippings on such subjects as Woman, lives and obituaries of prominent South Carolinians, and a handwritten essay on the Hebrew word Elohim. Most of the book is composed of clippings on the current political controversy concerning the doctrine of Nullification, which Mr. Moïse opposed."

Box 8 Folder 6 Miscellaneous, 1998-2002, undated

Includes a family history and materials relating to Davis, Emily, and Anita Moïse.

Moses family

Box 9 Folder 1 General family histories and miscellaneous articles, 1935-1999

Box 9 Folder 2 Herbert A. Moses, 1947-1975

Includes biographical material, certificates, and Moses' publications. Additional Herbert Moses material can be found in the Artifacts series.

Box 46 Poem presented to Herbert A. Moses by the United Jewish Campaign, 1929

Box 9 Folder 3 Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, 1881-1905

Box 9 Folder 4 Photographs, 1890s

Box 9 Folder 5 Phillips family, 1880s-1913

Includes paintings of Ellen and Emily Phillips and a photograph of the Phillips family home in Philadelphia.

Box 9 Folder 6 Rosefield, Virginia and Herbert, 1973-1999

Box 9 Folder 7 Ryttenberg family, circa 1910, 1984, 1996

Box 9 Folder 8 Solomons family, 1880s-1910s

Includes photographs and a marriage certificate.

Box 9 Folder 9 Miscellaneous families and individuals, 1963, 1995, 1998, undated

Box 9 Folder 10 Miscellaneous photographs, 1890s-1972

Box 9 Folder 11 Miscellaneous, 1998-2011

Includes the program from the 2009 unveiling of the South Carolina State Historical Marker at Temple Sinai.

3. Publications, 1929-2012

Bulletins

Box 9 Folder 12-14 1929-1978

- Box 10 Folder 1-9 1979-2000
- Box 11 Folder 1-4 2001-2010
- Box 11 Folder 5 Correspondence regarding bulletins, 1991-1992
- Box 11 Folder 6 *Sinai News*, circa 1951

Written as part of the 75th anniversary celebration.

Yearbooks

- Box 11 Folder 7-8 1984-2004
- Box 12 Folder 1 2005-2012

4. Financial records, 1881-1999

- Box 12 Folder 2 Administrative and board of trustees, 1924-1992

Includes procedures and resolutions.

- Box 12 Folder 3 Budget and Finance Committee, 1925-1996

Includes correspondence (1920s) and annual reports (1955-1996).

- Box 12 Folder 4-6 Secretary-Treasurer reports, 1919-1977, 1984, 1993

Balance sheets, budgets, and statements

Materials document receipts and disbursements, trust funds, cemetery accounts, assets, collections, and operational costs.

- Box 12 Folder 7-10 1937-1948, 1979-1994

- Box 13 Folder 1-2 1994-1999

Ledgers

Ledgers document membership and dues, cemetery accounts, cash accounts, and receipts and disbursements.

- Box 46 1881-1892
- Box 13 Folder 3 1904-1915
- Box 13 Folder 4 1916-1917
- Box 13 Folder 5 1918-1928
- Box 13 Folder 6 1924-1932
- Box 13 Folder 7 1928-1930
- Box 14 Folder 1 1930-1932
- Box 14 Folder 2 1932-1936

Box 14 Folder 3	1932-1937
Box 14 Folder 4	1937-1946
Box 14 Folder 5	1938
Box 14 Folder 6	1948-1951
Box 15 Folder 1	1948-1955
Box 15 Folder 2	1951-1959
Box 15 Folder 3	1955-1960
Box 15 Folder 4	1958
Box 15 Folder 5	1958-1959
Box 15 Folder 6	1960-1961
Box 15 Folder 7	1962-1965
Box 15 Folder 8	1963
Box 15 Folder 9	1964
Box 15 Folder 10	1965
Box 15 Folder 11	1966
Box 16 Folder 1	1968-1969
Box 16 Folder 2	1970
Box 16 Folder 3	1970-1971
Box 16 Folder 4	1971-1973
Box 17 Folder 1	1973-1975
Box 17 Folder 2	1973-1976
Box 17 Folder 3	1974-1976
Box 17 Folder 4	1976-1977
Box 17 Folder 5	1977-1979
Box 17 Folder 6	1980-1981
Box 17 Folder 7	1989-1993
Box 17 Folder 8	Savings account books, 1915-1952 Bills and receipts

Regarding temple repairs, organ cleanings, insurance payments, utilities, office supplies, rents, and more. Companies are mostly local businesses, such as J.M. Harby General Contractors, B.J. Barnett General Merchandise, Palmetto Pigeon Plant, and Henry P. Moses insurance and real estate company. Also included is a 1926 receipt from Empire Glass and Decoration Company in Atlanta, Georgia, which supplied the dedication panels for Temple Sinai's stained glass windows.

Box 17 Folder 9-15

1909-1927

Box 18 Folder 1-9

1928-1952

Box 18 Folder 10

Insurance policies, 1920-1992

Includes certificates and correspondence regarding coverage.

Box 18 Folder 11

Wills, 1926-1971

Trust funds

Box 18 Folder 12

Trust Fund Committee annual reports, 1935-1999

Box 18 Folder 13

Administrative, 1945, 1990-1995

Includes trust fund committee meeting minutes and notes.

Box 18 Folder 14

Legal documents, 1916-1991

Box 18 Folder 15

General statements, 1936, 1988-1992

Includes overviews of all trust funds, including the Barnett cemetery and Congregation Sinai cemetery funds, which have related materials in the Facilities series.

Box 18 Folder 16

Congregation Sinai Trust Fund statements, 1967-1996

Box 18 Folder 17

Brody Trust Fund statements, 1980-1996

Box 18 Folder 18

Levi Trust Fund statements, 1988-1996

Box 18 Folder 19

Strauss-Rubin Endowment Fund, 1990-1996

Box 18 Folder 20

Correspondence, 1963, 1980, 1990-1995

Barnett Memorial Fund

Box 19 Folder 1

Reports, 1937-1997

Box 19 Folder 2

Correspondence, 1926-1970

Box 19 Folder 3

Statements, 1934, 1968-1969, 1991-1992

Box 19 Folder 4

Ledgers, 1947-1970

Box 19 Folder 5

Notes and legal documents, 1931, undated

Box 20 Folder 1-26

Financial correspondence, 1917-1999

Correspondence to and from the secretary-treasurer mostly relating to financial transactions regarding membership dues, payments on loans and mortgages, cemetery plots, and contributions. Most of the correspondence dates from the 1920s to the 1940s. Materials are arranged chronologically.

Box 20 Folder 27 Miscellaneous notes, 1920s-1930s

5. Facilities, 1860s-2008

Box 21 Folder 1 Administrative, 1937-2005

Includes newspaper clippings, correspondence, and real estate titles.

Box 21 Folder 2 Building Committee reports, 1924-1999

Box 21 Folder 3-5 Correspondence regarding building improvements and repairs, 1927-1992

Box 21 Folder 6 Building repairs and improvements bills and receipts, 1940, 1963

Box 21 Folder 7 Building fund contributions and balances, 1963

Building fund information is also documented in the ledgers and balance sheets found in the Financial series.

Box 21 Folder 8 Blueprints, 1956-1967, undated

Box 21 Folder 9 Interior and exterior photographs, 1960s, undated

Box 46 Architect's drawing of synagogue interior, undated

Box 21 Folder 10 Stained glass windows descriptions, photographs, and slides, 1960s, 1985, undated

Box 21 Folder 11 Correspondence regarding stained glass windows repair, 1965-1968, 1981-1982

Box 21 Folder 12 9 Church Street property, 1961-1969

Cemetery

Box 21 Folder 13 Administrative, 1918-2003

Includes cemetery rules and regulations, histories of the cemetery, legal documents and correspondence.

Box 21 Folder 14 Cemetery Warden reports, 1923-1999

Box 22 Folder 1 Cemetery Committee reports, 1926, 1955-1998

Box 22 Folder 2 Account ledger, 1926-1928

Box 22 Folder 3 Barnett Cemetery Foundation correspondence, 1983-1985, undated

Box 22 Folder 4 Barnett Cemetery Fund statements and balance sheets, 1945-1993

General overviews of all trust funds, including information regarding the Barnett Cemetery Fund can be found in the Financial series. Materials from the early 1980s were photocopied and the originals were discarded due to mold.

Box 22 Folder 5 Congregation Sinai cemetery trust fund balance sheets, 1986-1996
 General overviews of all trust funds, including information regarding the Congregation Sinai cemetery fund can be found in the Financial series.

Box 22 Folder 6-7 Correspondence regarding finances and plot purchases, 1918-1975

Box 22 Folder 8 Plot lists and maps, 1920s-1940s

Box 22 Folder 9 Burial permits and internment notes, 1921-1991

Box 22 Folder 10 Correspondence regarding grounds and landscaping, 1926-1983

Henry and Virginia Moses Memorial Library

Box 22 Folder 11 Committee reports, 1984-1994

Box 22 Folder 12 Order correspondence and book lists, 1923-1954

Box 22 Folder 13 Receipts, 1927-1953

Box 22 Folder 14 Correspondence regarding memorials, 1922-1969

Box 22 Folder 15 Memorial Library Fund donors ledger, 1920s-1960s

Archives

Box 22 Folder 16 Administrative, 1971-2008

Includes Archives Committee reports and newspaper clippings.

Box 23 Folder 1 Correspondence, 1971-1983

Holdings

Other archives holdings can be found in the Artifacts series.

Box 23 Folder 2 Inventories, 1971-1974, undated

Box 23 Folder 3-4 Items, 1860s, 1973, undated

Includes poems, naturalization certificate of Moses Rodrigues, a book of pressed flowers from Jerusalem, and Israeli coins.

Box 46 Oversize items, 1969, undated

Includes a ketubah and a watercolor of Camden (S.C.) synagogue.

Box 23 Folder 5 Guestbook, 1973-1994

Organ and choir

Box 23 Folder 6 Choir committee reports, 1924, 1962-1987

Box 23 Folder 7 "Order of Service" sheets, 1991-1995

Box 23 Folder 8 Sheet music and lyric sheets, 1901-1989, undated

- Box 24 Folder 1 *Excell's Anthems for the Choir, Vol. III, 1890*
- Box 24 Folder 2 *Union Hymnal for Jewish Worship, 1914*
- Box 24 Folder 3 *Complete Musical Service for New Year Evening and Morning by S. Schlesinger, 1926*
- Box 24 Folder 4 Miscellaneous, 1920-1976, undated

Religious school

- Box 24 Folder 5 Administrative, 1955-1991
 - Includes meeting minutes, correspondence, calendars, and lists of teachers.
- Box 24 Folder 6 Reports, 1924-1997
 - Includes reports from the Department on Religion and Education, the Sunday school superintendent, the religious school board of directors, and the Religious School Committee. Some reports cover Temple Youth Group activities.
- Box 24 Folder 7 Rosters and honor roll book, 1957-1998 (scattered)
- Box 24 Folder 8 Lesson plans and confirmation class syllabi, 1939, 1974-1975, 1991
 - Includes homework samples and a 1939 report card.
- Box 25 Folder 1 General resources, 1940s-1970s
 - Includes song sheets, prayers, poems, guides, and handouts regarding the Sabbath, Torah, and other topics.
- Box 25 Folder 2 Holiday resources, 1940s-1960s
 - Includes song sheets, guides, handouts, quizzes, and poems regarding the High Holy Days, Hanukkah, Purim, Sukkot, and Passover. Includes a 1946 copy of Fun on Sukos by Jane Bearman.
- Box 25 Folder 3-4 Workbooks, 1940-1983
- Box 25 Folder 5 Games and puzzles, 1947-1951
- Box 25 Folder 6 Coloring books, 1949, 1970, undated
- Plays and playlets
- Box 26 Folder 1 Hanukkah, 1923-1954
- Box 26 Folder 2 Purim, 1929-1968
- Box 26 Folder 3 Passover, 1923-1968
- Box 26 Folder 4 Miscellaneous holidays, 1940-1966
- Box 26 Folder 5 Miscellaneous, 1949-1976

Box 27 Folder 1-2 Jewish history textbooks, 1939-1944

Box 27 Folder 3 Adult education resources, 1955-1971

Includes religious curriculum for the armed forces.

6. Events and worship services, 1918-2000

Materials include programs and prayer sheets.

Box 27 Folder 4 General Sabbath services, 1937, 1954, 1992, undated

Box 27 Folder 5 High holy days, 1921-1993

Box 27 Folder 6 Hanukkah, 1918, 1973-1976, undated

Box 27 Folder 7 Hanukkah photographs, 1950s

Box 28 Folder 1 Passover and Sukkot, 1940-1984

Box 28 Folder 2 Sukkot photographs, 1949

Box 28 Folder 3 Purim photographs, 1910s-1967

Box 28 Folder 4 Miscellaneous holiday services, 1972-1976, undated

Box 28 Folder 5 Dedications, 1932-1981

Box 28 Folder 6 Bar and Bat Mitzvah services, undated

Box 28 Folder 7-8 Confirmation services, 1932-1975, undated

Box 28 Folder 9 Confirmation photographs, 1950s, 1990s

Box 46 1940s [?] confirmation photograph, undated

Box 28 Folder 10 Installation services, 1949-1973

Box 28 Folder 11 Milestone service, 1973

Box 28 Folder 12 Yom Ha'atzmaut services, 1970-1974

Box 28 Folder 13-14 1937 South Carolina Jewish Conference, 1936-1937

Held at Temple Sinai. Includes planning correspondence, programs, attendee lists, and speaker remarks.

Box 28 Folder 15 102nd anniversary celebration and service, 1976

Includes program, correspondence, and newspaper clippings.

Box 29 Folder 1 Spirituality conferences, 1991-1992

Box 29 Folder 2 Readings, 1959-1976, undated

Includes poetry and newspaper clippings.

Box 29 Folder 3 Miscellaneous services, 1938-1980, undated

Includes services for college homecoming, conversions, Havdalah, families, and memorials.

Box 29 Folder 4 Miscellaneous events, 1933-2000

7. Projects and charitable donations, 1926-2001

Box 29 Folder 5 United Jewish Campaign, 1926-1930

Jewish Welfare Fund of Sumter

Later renamed Jewish Charities of Sumter.

Box 29 Folder 6 Administrative records, 1934-1960, 1990-1996

Includes donation lists, correspondence, financial records, and resolutions.

Box 29 Folder 7 Reports, 1938-1999

Box 29 Folder 8 Ledgers, 1935-1938, 1971, 1991

Box 29 Folder 9 Congregant donation correspondence, 1935-1944, 1992

Box 29 Folder 10 Medical facility donations, 1928, 1939-1940

Box 29 Folder 11 Other donations, 1927-1940

United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs

Box 29 Folder 12 Reports, 1949, 1957, 1991-1999

Box 29 Folder 13 Correspondence, 1939-1941, 1975

Box 29 Folder 14 Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, 1927-1939, 1985

Box 46 Jewish Joint Distribution Committee certificate of merit, 1948

Box 29 Folder 15 Refugee Aid Fund, 1939-1940

Box 29 Folder 16 National Refugee Service, 1939-1942

Box 30 Folder 1 Coordinating Refugee Committee of South Carolina, 1938-1940

Includes information relating to the National Coordinating Committee.

Box 30 Folder 2 Sumter Holocaust memorial, 1981-1984

Box 30 Folder 3 Russian refugee resettlement, 1989-1991

Box 30 Folder 4 U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, 1992

Box 30 Folder 5 Covenant Place senior living community, 1992

Box 30 Folder 6 Special Project Committee, 1992

Box 30 Folder 7 Coupon books, 1992

8. Organizations, 1901-2001

Sisterhood

Formerly the Temple Sinai Ladies Aid Society.

Administrative

Box 30 Folder 8 Constitutions, circa 1930-1995

Box 30 Folder 9 History, 1997-1998, undated

Includes Nina Moïse Phelps' history as well as Corinne Phillips' recollections of attending temple and religious school. Also includes a miniature painting of Jessie Moïse Merrimon, the first treasurer of the Ladies Aid Society.

Audiocassette 1083-a01, 1083-a02, 1083-a03 Audiocassette recording of Harriet Moses and other unidentified women discussing history of Temple Sinai's Sisterhood, 1998-02-10 (3 copies)

(JHC Audiocassettes Box 2 | 3 audiocassette tapes)

Box 30 Folder 10 Officer, board, and committee rosters, 1939-1997

Box 30 Folder 11-12 Annual reports, 1930-1999

Mostly reports made at the annual congregation meeting.

Box 30 Folder 13 Committee reports, 1954-1980

Includes reports from the Department of Advancement of Judaism, Telephone Committee, Commission on Projections for the Future, Housekeeping Committee, Department of Membership and Administration, Hospitality Committee, Beautification Committee, Department of Human Relations, Ways and Means Committee, and the Committee on Peace and World Relations.

Minutes

Includes the minutes of the Temple Sinai Ladies Aid Society (1901-1917). Materials are arranged chronologically. Does not include minutes from 1944-1948 or 1998-1999.

Box 31 Folder 1-11 1901-1974

Box 32 Folder 1-5 1975-2000, undated

Box 32 Folder 6-7 Membership lists, 1930s, 1960s, 1991

Box 32 Folder 8-9 Yearbooks, 1952-2001

Box 32 Folder 10 Correspondence, 1931-2000

Includes correspondence with state representatives regarding the Sisterhood's support of abortion rights.

Box 33 Folder 1	Miscellaneous, 1930-1998
	Includes policies, memorials, and photographs.
	Financial records
Box 33 Folder 2	Budgets, 1958-2000
Box 33 Folder 3	Reports, 1955-1986
	Account ledgers
	Includes information regarding membership dues.
Box 33 Folder 4-6	1926-1971
Box 34 Folder 1	1971-1976
Box 34 Folder 2	Correspondence, receipts, and notes, 1907-1987
	Projects and events
	Includes reports and fundraising efforts.
Box 34 Folder 3	Program Committee reports, 1955-1966
Box 34 Folder 4	<i>Tried Recipes of Practical People</i> Ladies Aid Society cookbooks, circa 1910
Box 34 Folder 5	Judaica store, 1954-1965, 1993
Box 34 Folder 6	Uniongrams, 1955-1993
Box 34 Folder 7	Suppers and dinners, 1956-1972
Box 34 Folder 8	Rummage sales, 1957-1995
	Service to the Blind Committee
Box 34 Folder 9	Reports, 1960-1977
Box 34 Folder 10	Correspondence, 1961-1983
Box 34 Folder 11	Events, 1970, 1972, undated
Box 34 Folder 12	Jewish Braille Institute, 1976-1983
Box 34 Folder 13	Rocky Bottom Camp of the Blind (operated by the National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina), 1980-1984
Box 34 Folder 14	Weekly newspaper reading, 1983, undated
Box 34 Folder 15	Miscellaneous, 1960-1978
	Includes newspaper clippings and brochures.
Box 34 Folder 16	Presentation of Jewish Holidays and Holy Days interfaith program, 1956, 1973
	Includes photographs.

- Box 43 Drawings used in the Jewish Holidays and Holy Days interfaith program, undated
- Box 35 Folder 1 Bulb sales, 1957-1999
- Box 35 Folder 2 Sisterhood Sabbath worship services programs, 1972-1977
- Box 35 Folder 3 Kibbutz Yahel, 1977-1979
- Box 35 Folder 4 Musicals, circa 1979
- Box 35 Folder 5 Family Health Center book project, 1994-1995
- Box 35 Folder 6 Transcriptions of presentations made at various events, 1965, undated
- Box 35 Folder 7 Unidentified fundraising ledger, 1965-1966
- Box 35 Folder 8 Miscellaneous events, 1950s-1994, undated

Include materials relating to carnivals, holiday festivals, and Trees for Israel.

Affiliations

- Box 35 Folder 9 National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (NFTS), 1930-1990
- Box 35 Folder 10-11 Southeast Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (SEFTS), 1956-1989
- South Carolina Federation of Temple Sisterhoods (SCFTS)
- Box 36 Folder 1 Constitutions, 1948-1956
- Box 36 Folder 2 Officer lists, 1944-1955, undated
- Box 36 Folder 3 Executive board meeting minutes, 1943-1957, undated
- Box 36 Folder 4 Reports, 1944-1972
- Box 36 Folder 5 Financial records, 1952-1988
- Box 36 Folder 6 Correspondence, 1949-1974
- Box 36 Folder 7 Bulletins and newsletters, 1949-1956, undated
- Box 36 Folder 8 Conventions, 1937-1956
- Box 36 Folder 9 Meetings, 1935-1976
- Box 36 Folder 10 Workshops, 1960-1989
- Box 36 Folder 11 Miscellaneous, 1937-1972
- Box 36 Folder 12 Women of Reform Judaism, 1990-2000

Includes material relating to the 1995 Women's Spirituality Weekend held in Charleston.

Men's Club

- Box 36 Folder 13 Administrative, 1950-1965, undated
..... Includes constitution, resolutions, officer and committee lists, and notes.
- Box 36 Folder 14 Annual and financial reports, 1937-1999, undated
Meeting minutes
- Box 36 Folder 15-16 1946-1967
- Box 37 Folder 1 1971-1980
- Box 37 Folder 2 Correspondence, 1927-1991
- Box 37 Folder 3 Membership, 1955-1977, 1991
- Box 37 Folder 4 Worship services and events, 1952-1977
..... Includes transcripts of talks given by Herbert A. Moses and Robert A. Moses.
- Box 37 Folder 5 B'nai B'rith, 1939-1945, 1985
- Box 46 B'nai B'rith District Grand Lodge No. 5 (Charleston, S.C.) charter certificate, 1938
- Box 37 Folder 6-8 National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods (NFTB), 1933-1980
..... Includes correspondence, certificates, publications, publicity kits, and officer lists.

Temple Youth Group (TYG)

- Box 37 Folder 9 Administrative, 1965-1981
..... Includes rosters, constitution, financial information, and notes.
- Box 37 Folder 10 Meeting minutes, 1951-1977, undated
- Box 37 Folder 11 Reports, 1955-1986
- Box 38 Folder 1 Worship services, 1970-1977, undated
- Box 38 Folder 2 Song sheets, 1970s
- Box 38 Folder 3 General Judaism resources, 1984, undated
- Box 38 Folder 4 Israel resources and study/travel programs, 1970s
- Box 38 Folder 5 Camp Coleman, 1977-1980
..... Includes brochures, applications, and the 1980 educational program guide.
- Southeast Federation of Temple Youth (SEFTY)
- Box 38 Folder 6 Administrative, 1973-1979

Includes correspondence, rosters, meeting minutes, and a 1978-1979 event calendar. Also included is the 1976-1977 East SEFTY yearbook, which contains meeting and event information, correspondence, reports, poetry, and illustrations.

Box 38 Folder 7

Handbooks and guides, 1970s

Box 38 Folder 8

Newsletters, 1976-1979

Includes *Israel News*, *Judaica Arts Press* and *Israeli News* (JAP IN), and *East SEFTY*.

Box 38 Folder 9

Events, 1971-1979

Includes registration forms and programs for regional workshops, convocations, and institutes.

Box 39 Folder 1

Worship services programs, 1971-1978

Box 39 Folder 2

Project and social action ideas, 1970s

Box 39 Folder 3

Soviet Jewry social action resources, 1973-1979

Includes information on the Holocaust, issues of the SEFTY Committee of Soviet Jewry newsletter, brochures, and informational handouts.

Box 39 Folder 4

National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY), 1967-1979

Includes correspondence, newsletters, and information regarding awards, programs, and events.

Box 39 Folder 5

National Federation of Temple Youth (NFTY) *How About This?* publications, Vol. II, No. 1, October 1972- Vol. VI, No. 4, 1976 (scattered)

Box 40 Folder 1

Sinai Culture Society ledger, 1910-1911

Includes meeting minutes, bylaws, and officer lists.

9. Resources and topical files, 1891-2001

Includes newsletters, brochures, articles, and other publications.

Box 46

Aerial photograph of the Ten Commandments, undated

Box 40 Folder 2

American Judaism, 1940-1965

Box 40 Folder 3

Anti-Semitism, 1960s, undated

Includes advertisements for the K.K.K.

Box 40 Folder 4

Barnett A. Elzas pamphlets, 1902-1908

Includes *The Jews of South Carolina, 1695-1750*, *The Organ in the Synagogue*, *The Jews of South Carolina: The Jews in the Revolution*, *Leaves From My Historical Scrap Book*, *A History of Congregation Beth Elohim*, and *The Jews of Charleston*.

Box 40 Folder 5	Christianity and Judaism, 1970s and undated
Box 40 Folder 6	Individuals, 1894-1980
	Includes materials on David Mendez Machado and Uriah P. Levy.
Box 40 Folder 7-8	Judaism, 1901-1979
Box 40 Folder 9	Kahal Kadosh Beth Elohim (Charleston, S.C.), 1891-2001
Box 40 Folder 10	Middle Eastern Jews, 1966-1992
	Includes materials relating to the American Israel Public Affairs Committee.
Box 41 Folder 1	Public relations, 1972, undated
Box 41 Folder 2	South Carolina Jews, 1898-1972 (scattered)
Box 41 Folder 3	Other congregations, 1907, 1913, 1989-1991
	Include materials relating to Beth Israel (Florence, S.C.) and the Tree of Life Congregation (Columbia, S.C.).
Box 41 Folder 4	Miscellaneous, 1968, 1991, undated
	Includes newspaper clippings and a booklet titled "A Jewish Response to Watergate."

10. Artifacts, 1789-circa 1985

Textiles

Box 42	Child ceremonial dress, mid- to late 19th century
Box 42	Infant ceremonial dress, mid- to late 19th century
Box 42	Lucian Ira Strauss's infant dress and petticoat, circa 1885
Box 42	Red Cross armband, bag, and headgear, circa 1917
	Worn by Nina M. Phelps during her World War I volunteer service.
Box 43	Esther Lyon Moïse's parasol, mid-19th century
Box 43	Beaded cape from Nina Moïse Phelps's family, mid-19th century
	Herbert A. Moses
Box 43	KKBE confirmation award, 1891
Box 43	Spanish-American War medal, 1898
Box 43	City councilman silver plate, 1946
Box 43	Kiwanis past president pin, undated
Box 43	Scroll inscribed with the Un'taneh Tokef prayer in silver case, undated

- Box 43 Mezuzah, undated
- Box 43 Men's Club sportsmanship award, 1961
- Box 44 Gavel presented by Mrs. I.A. Ryttenberg to the South Carolina State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods, 1928
- Box 44 Gavel presented by Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Lyon to the Temple Sinai Youth Group, 1958
- Box 44 K.K.B.E. bicentennial plate, 1950
- Box 44 Ornament box, undated
- Box 44 Five newspaper printing blocks, undated
 Depicting images of Temple Sinai's facilities.
- Box 44 Six Purim groggers, undated
- Box 44 Scrolls, undated
- Silver
- Box 44 Spice box from Israel
- Box 44 Bowl, undated
- Box 45 Ryttenberg family silver, circa 1837
 Includes bowls, cups, serving ware, and candlesticks.
- Box 45 Dora Witcover silver cup, undated
- Books
- Box 48 *The First Book of Moses, Called Genesis*, 1789
 Formerly belonged to Mordecai Cohen.
- Box 48 *The Second Book of Moses, Called Exodus*, 1789
 Formerly belonged to Mordecai Cohen.
- Box 48 *Discourses, Argumentative and Devotional, on the Subject of the Jewish Religion* by Isaac Leeser, 1837
 Formerly belonged to the Moses family.
- Box 48 *A Complete Concordance of the Holy Scriptures* by Alexander Cruden, 1849
 Formerly belonged to members of the Phillips and Moses families.
- Box 47 *Hudibras* by Samuel Butler, 1853
 Formerly belonged to the Moses family.
- Box 47 *The Service-Ritual*, by Rabbi Joseph Krauskopf, 1890

Box 47

Formerly belonged to the Moses family.

Union prayer books, 1894, 1918, 1930

Formerly belonged to C. A. Levy, Katherine Moses, Herbert A. Moses.