

Inventory of the Samuel D. Turtletaub Post 237 Of The Jewish War Veterans Of The United States Scrapbooks, 1947-1969

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Samuel D. Turtletaub Post 237 of the Jewish War Veterans of the United

States scrapbooks

Date(s) 1947-1969

Creator: Goldberg, Herbert S., 1925-Cohen, Stanley

Abstract: The collection consists of three scrapbooks compiled by Herbert S.

Goldberg and Stanley Cohen that include photographs, clippings,

certificates, and correspondence of the Samuel D. Turtletaub Post 237 of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States, Charleston, South Carolina. Materials relate to the activities and community service projects conducted

by the Post from 1947 to 1969.

Extent: 2.0 linear feet

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Language of Material: Materials in English

Historical Note

Established by L. Leroy Silverstein (1897-1987) in 1940 and named after a World War I Jewish lieutenant from Charleston, the Samuel D. Turtletaub Post 237 of Charleston, South Carolina, was the first National Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America Post to be established in the Carolinas. At the first regular meeting of the new post, L. Leroy Silverstein was elected as the first commander of the original thirty two charter members. Other first officials included Jack Meyers, first vice commander; Edwin Pearlstine, second vice commander; Max Turtletaub, adjutant; Benjamin Hirsch, quartermaster; and Hyman Rephan, judge advocate. Silverstein served as commander of Post 237 from 1941 to 1946.

With the start of World War II, the activities of the post were significantly reduced, as members were occupied with military and business duties. When the post was reactivated in 1947, membership grew to more than eighty members within the first year of its renewed activity. By 1958, membership totaled 175. During its time, Post 237 provided services to hospitalized veterans and servicemen as well as organizing and participating in numerous community projects. Services to hospitalized veterans and servicemen included monthly visits to the Veterans Administration Hospital and the Naval Hospital, dances and shows for stationed service personnel, and Veterans Day parades and memorial services. In addition, Post 237 hosted regular membership dances and an annual regional JWV convention, drawing representatives from Virginia, Georgia, and North Carolina. Community service projects consisted of various annual events, including Thanksgiving food drives; staging road blocks on the Ashley River Bridge for the March of Dimes; collecting pantry items for the American Cancer Society; and visiting local children's hospitals.

Collection Overview

Three scrapbooks compiled by Herbert S. Goldberg (1925-) and Stanley Cohen composed of photographs, clippings, certificates, and correspondence of the Samuel D. Turtletaub Post 237 of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States, Charleston, South Carolina. Materials document the activities and community service projects conducted by the Post from 1947 to 1969, such as membership events, Veterans Administration Hospital visits, and Thanksgiving food drives.

Collection Arrangement

Materials are arranged and described at the item level.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

This collection is open for research.

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Related Material

Related materials in Special Collections include the L. Leroy Silverstein papers, circa 1913-1987 (Mss 1005) and a 2004 oral history interview with Isadore Cohen and Samuel Rosen (Mss 1035-277).

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

Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America. Samuel D. Turtletaub Post 237 (Charleston, S.C.)
Goldberg, Herbert S., 1925Cohen, Stanley

Subjects

Jewish veterans--South Carolina--Charleston Social service--South Carolina--Charleston

Places

Charleston (S.C.)

Types of Material

Scrapbooks
Black-and-white photographs
Color photographs
Clippings (information artifacts)
Correspondence
Certificates

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

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Inventory

121/4" x 121/2" scrapbook, 1947-1959

Scrapbook compiled by Herbert S. Goldberg containing photographs and clippings documenting the activities of Post 237 from 1947 to 1959. Activities documented include the annual Mrs. JWV Beauty Pageant, officer installation banquets, departmental conventions, a canned food drive, and membership events.

15" x 251/2" scrapbook, 1959-1962

Scrapbook compiled by Herbert S. Goldberg and Stanley Cohen containing photographs, clippings, awards, certificates, and correspondence documenting the activities of Post 237 from 1959 to 1962. Activities documented include Naval Hospital parties, Thanksgiving canned food drives, a Heart Fund benefit dance, a USO Fellowship Dinner, and officer installation banquets.

15" x 26" scrapbook, 1962-1969

Scrapbook compiled by Herbert S. Goldberg and Stanley Cohen containing photographs, clippings, awards, certificates, and correspondence documenting the activities of Post 237 from 1962 to 1969. Activities documented include annual conventions, monthly Veterans Administration Hospital visits, volunteer awards ceremonies, and flag presentation ceremonies at the Hebrew Institute and the Jewish Community Center.