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Summary Information

Repository:	Grundy Archive
Title:	Bristol Jewish Center Collection
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Physical Description:	1 Linear Feet 2 boxes
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Biographical / Historical

The Bristol Jewish Center was founded in 1904 by ten Jewish families that initially held religious services in the rear of a tailor shop on Mill Street in Bristol, Pennsylvania. In 1917, the synagogue bought a building at 119 Pond Street and remained there until 1949. It was in 1949 that four Jewish families donated land at 216 Pond Street for the building of a larger sanctuary to accommodate the growing Jewish population in Bristol between World War I and the end of World War II. During the 1970s and 1980s, the synagogue underwent several changes, including becoming an Adult Synagogue, affiliating with the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Philadelphia, and furthering the roles of women in the synagogue with a female Rabbi. In 2015, the Bristol Jewish Center's Bristol location closed and completely merged with the Kol Emet Congregation in Yardley, Pennsylvania, where they now serve as one entity.

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Scope and Contents

This collection is organized chronologically with subject based files. Items in folders remain in the original received order from the creator. Materials range from 1939 to 2013. The collection consists of various records pertaining to the Bristol Jewish Center and its activities including; correspondence, programs/services, and other records of the Bristol Jewish Center's general and administrative history.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Conditions Governing Access

Contact Margaret R. Grundy Memorial Library (archive@grundylibrary.org) for information about accessing this collection.

Conditions Governing Use

Copyright interests for this collection belong to The Grundy Foundation. For more information, contact the Grundy Archivist (archive@grundylibrary.org).

Processing Information

Processed by Archivist Eric Walerko and Archive Assistant Robin Butrey.

Custodial History

Records donated to the Margaret R. Grundy Memorial Library by Alan J. Vogenberg.

Accruals

No further accruals expected.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Bristol (Pa.)
- Bristol (Pa. : Borough)
- Bucks County (Pa.)
- Bristol Jewish Center
- Religion
- Judaism

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Day Book, 1945-1946	box 14.1	folder 1
[Fortieth Anniversary] "The Book of Life", 1965 May	box 14.1	folder 2
"Correspondence Rabbi's" , 1971-1979	box 14.1	folder 3
"Bucks-Trenton Merger Jewish Federation", 1980 February - 1982 May	box 14.1	folder 4
"Basket of Cheer", 1982 April	box 14.1	folder 5
[Board of County Commissioners Proclamation], 1999 May 7	box 14.1	folder 6
[Correspondence], 1939-2013	box 14.1	folder 7
[Programs and Services], 1954-2007	box 14.1	folder 8
[Press Releases/Newsletters], 1971-2013	box 14.1	folder 9
[Bristol Jewish Center General History], 1973-2005	box 14.1	folder 10
"After Shabbat Cinema", 2009 April 18	box 14.1	folder 11
[Newspaper Articles], 2004-2007	box 14.1	folder 12
[Bristol Jewish Center Anniversaries], 1974-2005	box 14.2	folder 1
[Memberships], 1978-2008	box 14.2	folder 2

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"The Bristol Jewish Center Past, and Prospective: An Observation and Analysis", Spring 1996	box 14.2	folder 3
[Rededication of Our Restored Torah], 2008 June 22	box 14.2	folder 4
"Various Printed Material" Accession, 2009 June 19	box 14.2	folder 5
"Various emails + communications to congregants" Accession, 2009 November 13	box 14.2	folder 6
"Various communications with Congregants, Clergy, and Press" Accession, 2010 August 10	box 14.2	folder 7
"Correspondence, Newsletters, Asst. Papers" Accession, 2010 November 19	box 14.2	folder 8
[Communications with Congregants & Notes] Accession donated 2013 June 7, 2011-2012	box 14.2	folder 9
BJC Last Service Graduation, 2012 June 11	box 14.2	folder 10
Rosh Hashana 5773 Maariv Service, 2012 September 16	box 14.2	folder 11