

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY**  
**K0659 (KA2265) [JCA]**  
**ANITA LOEB (1929- ) PAPERS, 1921-2010**

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### **Introduction**

Approximately 9.25 cubic feet

Papers of an active member of the Jewish community in Kansas City, Missouri, the collection largely consists of material pertaining to Loeb's genealogy research documenting naturalization, births, deaths, and burials of individuals in the Jewish community. This includes notes, drafts, correspondence, and her publication on the history of the burials in the Jewish cemeteries of Kansas City, Missouri. Also included are family materials, such as correspondence, yearbooks, and documents relating to the organizations and activities where Loeb served. She also collected materials related to several area Jewish congregations.

A portion of the collection involves materials documenting the conflicts in Israel and the Middle East, which were of particular interest to Loeb. Loeb was one of three advisors of a group of 29 students who prepared a pilgrimage to Israel, sponsored by the Jewish Education Council, which departed July 4, 1967.

Earlier donations consist of an autobiographical family history entitled *My Wonderful Life*, written by Loeb, and a panoramic photograph of the Southwestern Keren Hayesod Zionist Conference, 1921.

Anita (Boresow) Loeb attended Keneseth Israel Beth Shalom Synagogue Schools, Barstow, and Westport Junior High. She graduated from Westport High School in 1945. She is the daughter of Russian Jewish immigrants Abe Boresow (1901-1983) and Leah DeLeve Boresow (1903-1988), the latter moved to Kansas City with her parents immediately after reaching Ellis Island in September 1913, to join a cousin, Louis Hansberg, who had previously opened a restaurant in the West bottoms area (1600 Central).

Anita married Walter Loeb (1922-1999), son of Rosalie and Max Loeb, October 26, 1949, at Beth Shalom. The couple have four daughters, Frances, Nancy, Linda, and Margaret.

In addition to offering her research and writing skills, Anita was heavily involved in various activities and organizations. In 1946, she was vice president of the Center Youth Senate and Chairman of the convention committee. She helped establish the Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City in 1959, and served in various capacities for B'nai B'rith youth and women organization, Beth Shalom Sisterhood, Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary, Hadassah, Jewish Veterans Museum Association, and the Jewish Community Archives. She worked on the Jewish Library Council and as school librarian for Beth Shalom, where she sponsored literary contests and book awards. She also worked as public relations director and business manager at the Hebrew Academy of Greater Kansas City.

### **Donor Information**

This gift was received from Anita Loeb as accession KA1335 on February 10, 2005. Addition KA1593 was received on January 6, 2008, and KA2265 on January 16, 2015.

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**Box List**

**f. 001 (KA1335)**

Family history: *My Wonderful Life*, 2005

**Box 1 (KA2265)**

Scrapbooks (4)

Newspaper clippings regarding Israeli conflicts

May 18, 1967-June 12, 1967

June 13, 1967-July 8, 1967

July 9, 1967-November 10, 1967

November 12, 1967-May 4, 1968

**Box 2 (KA2265)**

Scrapbooks (4)

Newspaper clipping regarding Israeli conflicts

October 6, 1973-October 12, 1973

October 13, 1973-November 3, 1973

Newspaper clippings regarding the 1967 Israel Pilgrimage, a seven week educational tour of Israel sponsored by the Jewish Education Council in cooperation with the Jewish Agency, Department of Education and Culture. Also, the Hadassah Ball at the Hotel Muehlbach to benefit the youth Aliyah Movement and miscellaneous events.

March 1967-December 27, 1968

May 1967-October 1967 (Pilgrimage only)

Loose scrapbook pages regarding Girl Scouts, Abilene, Kansas and miscellaneous, 1961

**Box 3 (KA2265)**

Materials relating to Anita Loeb's activities, personal genealogy research, family, organizations and education.

Personal genealogy research file, 1940-1944

Talmud Torah Sh'erith Israel D'lubawitz graduation class book, 1927

Congregation Keneseth Israel Beth Shalom Synagogue Schools yearbook, 1940

Scrapbook, 1936-1941

*Westport Herald*, Westport High School yearbook and report card, 1944-1945

Bingham Junior High School directory and program, 1963-1965

Photographs, Anita Boresow, n. d.

Musical programs and souvenir books, n. d.

Miscellaneous correspondence, n. d., 1963, 1989, 1992, 1996

Beth Shalom membership directory, 2010

*Tradition in Transition: story of Beth Shalom of Kansas City*, 1970-1996

*Beth Shalom Diamond Book*, 1953 (2 copies)

*Beth Shalom Centennial*, 1978

*Remember*, memorial booklet, 1990-1991 (2 copies)

Beth Shalom Sisterhood directories, 1973-1974, 1986-1989, 1989-1993, 1996-1997

Beth Shalom Sisterhood Adult Jewish Education, program, 1975

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Calendars, project of the Beth Shalom Sisterhood, 1997-2000 (3)  
“Abby’s Run for the Heart” programs, 2004, 2006  
Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Kansas City Annual Report, 1998  
Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary membership directory, 1994-1996  
Hadassah – Greater Kansas City Chapter, membership directory, 1988-1993,  
1995-1997  
Interschool Literary Contests, 1967-1973 (3 folders)  
Association of Jewish Libraries Book Awards, 1973-1978 (3 folders)  
Association of Jewish Libraries bulletin, Spring 1978  
Center Youth Senate Convention, February 3, 1946  
Youth Federation Campaign, 1949  
B’nai B’rith Youth Organization, 1946, 1973-1974  
B’nai B’rith Women’s Organization, 1960-1966, 1991  
Jewish Ethnic Heritage Committee of the Kansas City Bicentennial Commission,  
1976  
Jewish Community Archives, misc., n. d., 2003-2006  
Jewish Community Archives, 2007-2010 (4 folders)

**Box 4 (KA2265)**

*Chronicles*, The Hyman Brand Hebrew Academy yearbook, 1977-1988 (8 books)  
*Gone But Not Forgotten: A history of the burials in the Jewish cemeteries of Kansas City, Missouri, 1866-1999* by Anita Loeb, 2001 and 2003. (2 books)  
*Life* magazine, 1967 (Israel’s Swift Victory)  
*Life* magazine, December 13, 1963 (Lyndon B. Johnson swearing in)  
*Life* magazine, June 5, 1995 (special edition on 1945)  
*Look* magazine, December 3, 1963 (JFK and son)  
*Bamahane* magazine, June 12, 1967 (Weekly of Israel Defense Forces)  
*Bob Hope* magazine, 1949 (signed by Howard Kahn, February 2, 1949)  
*Time* magazine, October 15, 1973 (war in the Middle East)  
*Jewish Chronicle*, June 26, 2009 & June 30, 2010  
*Kansas City: A city of neighborhoods*, June 18, 1989  
*Bicentennial: 200 years in Mid-America*, *Kansas City Star*, July 4, 1976  
*Kansas City Star Magazine*, September 19, 2010 (Elmwood Cemetery)

**Box 5 (KA2265)**

Programs, directories, publications, clippings for several congregations.

Ohev Shalom

“Our Deepest Roots” 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala, 2007

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 1977

Beth Israel Abraham and Voliner

Directory, 2009 (2 copies)

Kehilath Israel Synagogue

Kehilath Israel Synagogue Golden Jubilee Ceremony, 1945-1995

Kehilath Israel Synagogue’s 100 Year Anniversary booklet, 2010 (2 copies)

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Ben Ruben's anniversary speech  
Congregation Kol Ami  
Directory, 2009  
Congregation rosters, n. d., 2006-2007  
Newspaper clippings, synagogues, 1925-1955, 1994  
Warranty deeds, 1918, 1935 & 1970  
*The History of the Jackson County Historical Society*, 1996  
Directory of Local Historical Museum and Genealogical Agencies in Missouri, 2000-2001  
*The Kansas City Survey of Jewish Attitudes: A report on the findings in a survey of the attitudes of Jews residing in Kansas City, Missouri*, by Manheim S. Shapiro, n. d.  
Newspaper clippings, 1963-2000  
Loeb's research files, n. d.  
Genealogy research files, 1987-1993 (2 folders)  
*Descendants of Melach and Ida Brownstein*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, by Martin Brown, September 1999  
*The Day Trip Enthusiasts' Heart of America Guidebook*, AAA Auto Club, 1989  
*Bourbon County Kansas Cemetery Inscriptions*, V. 1, Evergreen Cemetery and Pine Lawn (Jewish Cemetery), compiled by The Old Fort Genealogical Society of Southeastern Kansas, 1993  
*Through the Years with Kansas City*, Stine and McClure, 1961  
*Roots in a Moving Stream: The centennial history of Congregation B'nai Jehudah of Kansas City, 1870-1970*, by Frank J. Adler, 1972  
*My Memoirs* by Gustave Eisemann, 2010  
*Jews on the Frontier: an account of Jewish pioneers and settlers in early America*, by Rabbi I. Harold Sharfman, 1977  
*American Jews in World War II: the story of 550,000 fighters for freedom*, Vol. II, compiled by the Bureau of War Records of the National Jewish Welfare Board, 1947

**Box 6 (KA2265)**

Naturalization Records (8 binders)  
Naturalization research notes (4 folders)

**Box 7 (KA2265)**

The following box contents are related to Loeb's research files in documenting Jewish deaths and burials in Kansas City. They were removed from three ring binders and kept in the original order.

Births, 1939-1943, 1950  
Master record of deaths, A-Z, 1993 (19 folders)  
Elmwood Cemetery, master record of burials, A-Z, 1994 (3 folders)  
Elmwood Cemetery, grave-by-grave, Lots C-94- unresolved, n. d. (4 folders)  
Elmwood Cemetery, master burial record, April 1999  
Elmwood Cemetery, master burial record, N/K

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- Blue Ridge Cemetery, A-Z, n. d. (2 folders)
- Blue Ridge Cemetery, grave-by-grave, sections 1-24, n. d. (6 folders)
- Blue Ridge Cemetery, grave layout, blocks 1-24, n. d. (2 folders)
- Kehilath Israel Blue Ridge Cemetery, master record of burials, A-Z, 1995 (4 folders)
- Kehilath Israel Cemetery, plot master list, 1994
- Mount Carmel Cemetery, master record of burials, A-Z, 1995 (5 folders)
- Mount Carmel Cemetery, grave-by-grave, #1-35A, 1992 (7 folders)

**Box 9 (KA2265)**

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- Rose Hill Cemetery and Mausoleum, master record of burials, A-Z, 1995 (6 folders)
- Rose Hill Cemetery, grave-by-grave, mausoleum, 1994
- Rose Hill Cemetery, grave-by-grave, #1-7, 1994 (7 folders)
- Sheffield Cemetery, master record of burials, A-Z, 1995 (9 folders)
- Jewish Cemeteries master 1866-1999, N-Z, 2006 (6 folders)
- Cemeteries, miscellaneous, 1935-1999
- Photographs, cemetery, n. d. (photo of the gravestone of Fred S. Loeb (March 5, 1914-June 8, 1981)
- Unknown cemetery listing, n. d.
- Jewish Veterans Museum Association, veteran lists, n. d.
- Jewish Veterans Museum Association, 1990-2007 (5 folders)

**Oversize Box (KA1593)**

Photograph – Southwestern Keren Hayesod Zionist Conference, Muehlbach Hotel,  
Kansas City, Missouri, July 25-26, 1991

\*The following titles were removed from the collection for use in the reading room.

*Record of Deaths Kansas City, Missouri Book A, 3 Aug 1874- 31 Jul 1889*, Published by Heart of America Genealogical Society, 1995

*Record of Deaths Kansas City, Missouri Book B, 18 Aug 1889- 31 Dec 1898*, Published by Heart of America Genealogical Society, 1995

*Record of Deaths Kansas City, Missouri Book B Supplement: Persons who died outside of Kansas City but were interred within Kansas City, 9 April 1890 through 31 December 1898*, Published by Heart of America Genealogical Society, 1995

*Roe'ling Thru the Years in Roeland Park, Kansas: a history*, by John R. Scott, 1996

*Records of Elmwood Cemetery Kansas City, Mo.: with burials from 1832-July 1984*, The Heart of America Genealogical Society, Kansas City, Missouri, 1987