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Summary Information

Repository:	Brandeis University
Creator:	Havurat Shalom (Somerville, Mass.)
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Title:	Havurat Shalom records
ID:	11.MWalB02734
Date [inclusive]:	1968-1984, bulk 1968-1976
Physical Description:	1.25 Linear Feet 2 manuscript boxes, 2 half manuscript boxes, 1 oversize folder
Language of the Material:	English

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Historical Note

Havurat Shalom was established in 1968 in Cambridge, Massachusetts as a combined Jewish seminary and experiment in communal living, an attempt to reinvigorate Jewish spiritual life by more intensely connecting it with values of the counterculture. Havurat Shalom physically moved to neighboring Somerville, and institutionally moved away from a mission as a formal educational institution towards one centered around an experience of Jewish spirituality based in social community and the concerns of the contemporary world. It rapidly gained prominence, and inspired other similar Havurah around the country, both serving younger Jews' desire for a more open and contemporary religious experience, while also influencing Jewish religious practices on a wider scale. Many of its early members and founders were Brandeis University graduates who went on to prominent roles in both theology and Jewish studies.

Sources: Sarna, Jonathan. *American Judaism: A History*. New Haven: Yale, 2004.

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Scope and Contents

This collection consists of one linear feet of records relating to the first years Havurat Shalom. The majority of the materials are administrative records and correspondence created between 1968 and 1976. The administrative documents include minutes, reports, planning materials, and proposals for the structure of the community. There are also financial and real estate papers, tax documents, and insurance materials. The correspondence, principally to and from Rabbi Art Green, includes fundraising and sponsorship requests, as well as communications with prospective students, including decisions and selective service information for students. A small number of records relate to religious services and study.

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Arrangement

The collection is not arranged according to any arrangement scheme.

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Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection is in accordance with the policies of the Robert D. Farber University Archives & Special Collections Department, Brandeis University. Please contact the department for form information.

The collection contains applications to the Havurat Shalom seminary, circa 1968. Some of these folders contained grade transcripts, which were separated and restricted until 2038.

Conditions Governing Use

Requests to reproduce or publish material from the collection should be directed to the Robert D. Farber University Archives & Special Collections Department, Brandeis University.

Acquisitions Note

The collection was donated by Havurat Shalom in January 2019.

Processing information

This collection was processed to a basic level. The archivist put the materials in new folders and boxes and the order in which the material was received was retained. A small group of materials, including business cards, an expired credit card, blank tax and selective service forms, and an envelope of cancelled checks and bills, were weeded and returned to Havurat Shalom.

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Related Materials

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Materials related to Havurat Shalom can be found in the Arthur Green papers at Brandeis University. The American Jewish Historical Society (AJHS), Boston also houses a collection of Arthur Green papers that contains Havurat Shalom materials.

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Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Havurat Shalom brochures, approximately 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : approximately 1968-1969	Box 1	Folder 1
Havurat Shalom stationary, approximately 1968-1970	Box 1	Folder 2

<u>Date [inclusive]</u> : approximately 1968-1970		
Havurah (New York) brochure, approximately 1969 <u>Date</u> : approximately 1969	Box 1	Folder 3
Religious service materials, approximately 1968-1973 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : approximately 1968-1973	Box 1	Folder 4
Havurah Covenant draft, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 1	Folder 5
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Education correspondence, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 1	Folder 6
Havurah minutes, 1975-1976 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1975-1976	Box 1	Folder 7
Havurat Shalom House of Study: course lists, correspondence and other materials, 1970-1972 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1970-1972	Box 1	Folder 8
First year report, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 1	Folder 9
Advisory committee correspondence, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 1	Folder 10
Admissions form letter, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 1	Folder 11
Admissions correspondence, proposals and notes, probably 1969 <u>Date</u> : probably 1969	Box 1	Folder 12
Purpose document draft, probably 1968 <u>Date</u> : probably 1968	Box 1	Folder 13
Fundraising correspondence, 1969-1971, 1984 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1969-1971, 1984	Box 1	Folder 14
Havurat Shalom Community Seminary Prospectus (1969-1974), 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 1	Folder 15
Early proposals (HSCS), 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 1	Folder 16
Jewish education papers, approximately 1967 <u>Date</u> : approximately 1967		
Draft article on Havurat Shalom, approximately 1970	Box 1	Folder 18

Date: approximately 1970

Course lists, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 1	Folder 19
Photograph, approximately 1968-1973 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : approximately 1968-1973	Box 1	Folder 20
David Litwack, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 1	Folder 21
David Roskies, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 1	Folder 22
Joel Rosenberg, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 1	Folder 23
Richard Siegel, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 1	Folder 24
Steve Zweibaum, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 1	Folder 25
Larry Laufman, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 1	Folder 26
Steve Genden, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 1	Folder 27
Arnie Cover, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 1
Arnie Cover, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 1
Harry Chotiner, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 2
Michael Brooks, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 3
Seymour Epstein, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 2	Folder 4
Charles P. Cohen, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 2	Folder 5
Steve Epstein, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 2	Folder 6
Barry Holtz, 1968	Box 2	Folder 7

<u>Date</u> : 1968		
Stefan Krieger, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 2	Folder 8
Jim Kugel, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 2	Folder 9
Danny Pekarsky, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 2	Folder 10
Joe Reimer, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 11
George Savran, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 12
Jeff Sokol, 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 2	Folder 13
Jim Sleeper, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 14
Student inquiries for September 1969, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 15
Rejections, 1968 <u>Date</u> : 1968	Box 2	Folder 16
Correspondence, 1968-09-1969-08 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-09-1969-08	Box 2	Folder 17
Faculty correspondence, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 18
Danforth Foundation correspondence and press release, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 19
Farmworkers' campaign notes and button, circa 1971-1975 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : circa 1971-1975	Box 2	Folder 20
Correspondence (cards) to Havurat Shalom, approximately 1979 <u>Date</u> : approximately 1979	Box 2	Folder 21
Recapitulation, pages 227-271 (photocopy), undated <u>Date</u> : undated	Box 2	Folder 22
10th anniversary invitations, 1978 <u>Date</u> : 1978	Box 2	Folder Folder 23
Unidentified notes, Undated	Box 2	Folder 24

<u>Date</u> : Undated		
Committee on Funding National Campus Projects grant, correspondence and note, 1970 <u>Date</u> : 1970	Box 2	Folder 25
Press clippings, 1968-1970 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1970	Box 2	Folder 26
Planning - retreats, circa 1977 <u>Date</u> : circa 1977	Box 2	Folder 27
Jewish Liberation Project and Jewish - Black Rapprochement documents, 1968-1969 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1968-1969	Box 2	Folder 28
Member list, approximately 1975 <u>Date</u> : approximately 1975	Box 2	Folder 29
Epstein notebook, approximately 1969-1970 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : approximately 1969-1970	Box 2	Folder 30
Calendar, administration, 1979, 1984 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1979, 1984	Box 2	Folder 31
Havurat Shalom property deed (copy), 1969 <u>Date</u> : 1969	Box 2	Folder 32
Real estate and banking materials, 1969-1972 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1969-1972	Box 2	Folder 33
Insurance and tax documents, 1971-1973, undated <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1971-1973, undated	box 3	Folder 1
Bills paid, 1969-09-1969-10 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1969-09-1969-10	box 3	Folder 2
Bookkeeping notebook, 1969-10-1970-09 <u>Date [inclusive]</u> : 1969-10-1970-09	box 3	Folder 3