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OPEN MEETING

SUNDAY AFTERNOON - DECEMBER 11th, 1977 - 2:30 P.M.

AT TEMPLE SHOLOM
3480 N. LAKE SHORE DR.
CHICAGO

"Jewish Workers in Chicago - 1841 to Today"

GUEST SPEAKER:

PROF. MILLIAM J. ADELMAN PROGRAM ASSOCIATE CHICAGO LABOR EDUCATION PROGRAM CIRCLE CAMPUS - UNIV. OF ILL.

1:30 P.M.

COFFEE HOUR WE INVITE YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS TO ENJOY A SOCIAL HOUR AND TO VIEW THE INTERESTING COLLECTION OF JEWISH MEMORABILIA ON DISPLAY AT TEMPLE SHOLOM.
THIS MEETING WILL BEGIN WITH A BRIEF HISTORY OF TEMPLE SHOLOM, ONE OF THE HISTORIC SYNAGOGUES OF CHICAGO.

NOTE:

Are you interested in Chicago Jewish History? Join us for this fascinating afternoon. Prof. Adelman, author of several books and producer of the film "Packingtown, USA" promises a slide story and talk of special interest to all Chicago Jewish History buffs.

If you are not yet a member of our Society please phone our office - 663-5634 and request an application blank.

FIRST EXHIBIT BEING READIED

Planning work on the Society's first exhibit of Chicago Jewish History has been completed, and the Exhibit Committee is now gathering items for display. The exhibit, which will be housed on the 2nd floor of the Spertus College of Judaica, is expected to open within the next two months.

The committee needs articles relating to early Jewish settlers in the Chicago area. Photos, family bibles with family trees or histories, tombstone rubbings, diaries and letters, garments, immigration and naturalization papers, steamship tickets, and tools or articles of trade or business, are requested.

If you have or can obtain interesting items and would like to have them included in this historic exhibit, please bring them to the Open Meeting on Dec. 11th at Temple Sholom, or to our office at Spertus College any Monday, beginning Dec. 12th, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. If you are unable to bring items at these times, please contact chairman KEN COHEN at 663-5634.

All items loaned to the CJHS will be insured and kept secure while in our possession, and will be returned to their owners at the conclusion of the exhibit.

WATCH FOR ANNIVERSARY ISSUE

The next issue of the <u>Society News</u> will be a special 1st anniversary edition. It will be mailed in mid-January to co-incide with the anniversary of our founding, January 23, 1976.

The January issue will include many special features as well as a complete list of our Founding Members.

OUR PHONE NUMBER:

663-5634

ORAL HISTORY COMMITTEE TAPING INTERVIEWS

The Oral History Committee is deeply grateful to the West Valley Section of the National Council of Jewish Women for their generous gift of \$1000 for equipment. In conjunction with their gift many of their members are now attending workshops and will be volunteers in our Oral History program.

The committee has begun its work of taping interviews of members of the Chicago Jewish community. ADELE HAST, consultant to the Committee, has been training volunteers and DR. EDWARD MAZUR has been conducting workshops in the techniques of oral history interviewing.

Yiddish speaking members of the committee are now conducting bilingual interviews of prominent Chicago area Yiddishists.

Typists are needed to transcribe the recordings on paper so that our interviews will be available for study by scholars working in the Chicago Jewish Archives. Also needed are volunteers to be trained as interviewers.

More help is needed in all facets of this committee and your participation is invited. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 14th at 7:30 p.m. in our office. All are welcome.

SPECIAL EXHIBIT

The Highland Park Library, 494 Laurel, Highland Park, announces an exhibit of Judaica in honor of Hanukah and Jewish Book Month. This exhibit, arranged by Mark Mandle, will be on display until December 12th and is open to the public.

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