

THE HEBREW
BENEVOLENT SOCIETY
OF CHARLESTON, S. C.

FOUNDED 1784

*The Oldest Jewish Charitable
Society In The United States*

An Historical Sketch

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CONSTITUTION OF 1965

ARTICLE I

Name and Object

SECTION 1. This Society shall be known and designated as The Hebrew Benevolent Society of Charleston, S. C., under which name it was incorporated on December 18, 1830. The Society was founded on June 25, 1784. Its original Hebrew name was Hebra Gemilut Hasadim.

SEC. 2. The object of this Society is Charity. Its purpose is to extend aid and comfort to those of our co-religionists in need: the indigent sick, the widow, the orphan, the aged, destitute families and children, and those who seek means of helping themselves.

ARTICLE II

Membership

SECTION 1. Any male of the Jewish faith, of good character, not under 18 years of age, desirous of becoming a member of the Society shall make written application to the Secretary. The Board of Officers shall approve the application if passed by a two-thirds majority.

SEC. 2. All members in good standing are entitled to vote and hold office. Resignations shall be by letter to the Secretary. No resignation will be accepted until arrears are paid.

ARTICLE III

Dues

SECTION 1. Regular annual membership dues shall be \$10.00. Dues shall be payable in advance and shall date from January 1st after the annual meeting.

SEC. 2. Pro-rata dues of a newly-elected member shall be payable on the first of the month following his election for the period to the end of the year. Thereafter dues will be payable on annual basis from January 1st as specified in Section 1.

SEC. 3. Other classes of membership for the benefit of the charitable purposes of the Society are:

Annual Sustaining Member	\$ 25.00
Annual Patron Member,	50.00
Life Member	500.00

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY, 1870

This list of members of the Society in 1870, when the Constitution of that year was adopted, was published as an appendix in the booklet containing the Constitution of 1889.

Abrahams, A. H.	Goldsmith, A. A.	Mintz, Jos.
Ancker, G. V.	Goldstein, D.	Mann, Simon
Apple, J.	Goudkop, I.	Myer, J.
Abrahams, T. H.	Garfunkel, M.	Mantoue, B.
Alexander, L.	Hart, D. S.	Mantoue, E.
Barrett, Jacob	Harris, A. J.	Myers, Rev. M. H.
Bentschner, David	Harris, Isaac	Nachman, A.
Brown, H.	Hertz, J. E.	Oppenheim, Jos.
Block, E.	Hoffman, S.	Oppenheim, J. H.
Brown, Samuel	Hyman, E.	Oppenheim, S. H.
Bentschner, S.	Hart, C.	Ottolengui, Israel
Benjamin, Louis	Holzman, S.	Prince, George
Berkman, H.	Hoffman, G.	Pearlstein, T.
Belitzer, J.	Iseman, Mark	Rich, Philip
Cohen, N. A.	Iseman, J.	Rich, L.
Cohen, Jacob	Israel, M.	Rosenthal, H.
Cohen, McDuff	Jacobs, R. H.	Rice, B.
Cohen, Joseph	Jacobs, David	Schur, B. D.
Clark, H.	Jacoby, S. A.	Schur, Barnet
Cohen, P. Melvin	Jacobi, M.	Strauss, M.
Cohen, Louis	Jacoby, P. G.	Strauss, Solomon
Cohen, J. Barrett	Klein, Isaac	Seckendorff, A.
Cohen, G.	Kaphan, Theo.	Seckendorff, M.
Crinch, H.	Loryea, A.	Spertner, M.
Cohen, L.	Levin, N.	Scott, E.
Chumaceiro,	Levy, Max	Solomons, S. S.
J. H. M., Rev.	Loeb, D.	Solomons, Dr. J. R.
David, R. L.	Lazarus, B. D.	Shapira, L. D.
DeLeon, H. H.	Leveson, J.	Sprinz, B.
Drucker, L.	Lazarus, E. M.	Spring, J.
Davega, Dr. C. C.	Lopez, David	Tobias, J. L.
Elias, Louis	Lorentz, L.	Triest, J.
Elias, Lewis	Lewith, E. J.	Valentine, H.
Endel, M. M.	Levin, N., Jr.	Vizanska, G. A.
Epstin, Philip	Levin, S. M.	Weiskopff, L.
Elias, L.	Levy, Joseph	Wallach, Isaac
Falk, A.	Mairs, S.	Winestock, B. M.
Frank, J.	Moise, C. H.	Wallach, John
Fass, S.	Mordecai, Benj.	Wallach, Myer
Flaum, J.	Moses, J. L.	Wolff, Henry
Goldman, G. L.	Mintz, Jacob	Zemansky, S.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY, 1899

This list of members of the Society in 1899 was printed in the booklet containing the Constitution of 1899, which was published in 1900.

N. Abrahams	Arthur Israel
L. L. Cohen	Lewis Israel
Louis Cohen	Nat. Israel
W. B. Cohen	W. W. Jackson
I. S. Cohen	E. J. Lewith
I. W. Banov	J. Livingston
Henry Blank	Louis Levine
M. M. Bernstein	I. M. Monash
Z. Brown	J. N. Nathans
I. Blank	J. N. Nathans, Jr.
J. L. David	G. M. Pollitzer
M. M. David	Jake Pinkussohn
H. H. DeLeon	I. Pinkussohn
Ralph Elias	J. S. Pinkussohn
Max Furchgott	I. M. Pearlstine
M. H. Garfunkel	S. Rittenberg
S. Hirschman	H. Rephan
H. Hirschman	S. S. Solomons
M. Hornik	E. M. Solomons
F. Herzog	Robert M. Solomons
M. Israel	Montague Triest
I. Israel	Sol C. Williams
Samuel Israel	

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY, 1965

This list of the members of the Society in 1965, the year that the new Constitution was adopted and this historical sketch published, totals 188 members, the largest membership in the history of the Society.

Ackerman, William	Feinberg, D. Stanley
Addlestone, Dr. Hyman	Feldman, Dr. Leon
Alterman, David	Feldman, William
Banov, Dr. Charles H.	Fox, Otto
Banov, I. Lee	Fox, Harold
Banov, Dr. Leon, Jr.	Freudenberg, Henry H.
Banov, Dr. Leon, Sr.	Furchgott, Max
Banov, Milton A.	Galinsky, Rabbi H. M.
Baner, Arthur	Garfield, Louis
Barbanel, Leon	Garfinkel, Alex
Barkowitz, Donald B.	Garfinkel, Max
Barron, Ben M.	Garfinkel, Philip
Baumrind, M. Harold	Geldbart, Dr. Ralph G.
Baumrind, Stephen	Gilick, Charles
Berlinsky, Herbert	Ginsberg, I.
Berlinsky, Norman	Goldberg, David S.
Bernstein, Charles S.	Goldberg, Harry
Bernstein, M. A.	Goldberg, I. M.
Bernstein, W. J.	Goldberg, Moses D.
Birlant, George C.	Goldberg, Nathan
Bluestein, M. H.	Goldberg, S. Irwin
Bogin, George S.	Goldman, Sol
Brickman, Jack P.	Goldstein, Maurice
Brickman, Sam	Golembe, Samuel
Chase, Marty	Halio, Elliott T.
Cohen, David E.	Hirshberg, William
Cohen, Edgar A.	Hirsch, Willard
Coleman, Dave	Hirschmann, Edgar
Coleman, Dr. Ralph R.	Hornik, Marion W.
Davis, Allan J.	Jacobs, Harold
Ellison, Dr. Haskell S.	Jacobs, Melvin T.
Ellison, Morton	Jacobs, S. H.
Epstein, Alex	Jacobson, I. H.
Epstein, Dave	Kaplan, Burton A.

Karesh, Alex
Karesh, Leonard
Karesh, Dr. Stanley H.
Kohn, Albert
Koslow, Henry
Krawcheck, Abe
Krawcheck, Jack
Krawcheck, Max
Krawcheck, Saul
Kronsberg, Avram
Kronsberg, Jonathan
Kronsberg, Edward
Kronsberg, Milton
Kurtzman, Dr. Joseph L.
Lancer, David
Lancer, Isadore
Lapin, Reuben E.
Lehrer, Maxwell
Lemel, Dr. A. Lawrence
Lesser, Louis
Lesser, Melvin
Levinson, A. J.
Levinson, Harry J.
Levkoff, Irving
Levy, Alexander
Levy, Sidney
Lipman, Leon
Lipton, Dr. Morey
Livingstain, Leo H.
Maschler, Arthur
Meddin, Hyman
Mendelson, Dr. Bernard P.
Mendelsohn, Burnet
Mendelsohn, Harry
Mendelson, Isadore
Mendelsohn, Joseph S.
Mendelsohn, Moses J.
Meyerson, Gerald
Meyerson, L. A.
Needle, Dr. Harry
Needle, Dr. Herman
Needle, Joe
Nussbaum, Maurice
Olasov, Bernard J.
Padoll, Rabbi Burton L.
Patla, Jack
Pearlman, Hon. Gus H.
Pearlstine, Edwin S.
Pearlstine, Edwin S., Jr.
Pearlstine, Floyd
Pearlstine, Milton A.
Poliakoff, Max
Pressman, J. L.
Priluker, Harold
Prystowsky, Arnold
Rabinowitz, Louis
Raphael, Capt. Alfred L.
Raskind, Sidney
Read, Joseph D.
Rephan, Hyman
Reznick, Moses
Rittenberg, Dr. Alvin
Rittenberg, Dr. Henry
Robin, Belvin H.
Robinson, Irving M.
Robinson, Klyde
Rosen, Dr. Jack
Rosen, Morris
Rosen, Samuel
Rubin, Ben
Rubin, Isadore
Rubin, Manning
Rudich, Seymour
Sandler, Nat
Schiff, Charles
Schraibman, Jack
Schwartz, J. Marion
Shapiro, Samuel
Sharnoff, Moses
Sherman, Harold I.

Shimel, Louis M.
Sholk, Harry J.
Shulman, Nat
Silver, Dr. Bernard
Slotchiver, Shaie
Slotin, Philip H.
Sokol, Joseph
Sokol, Morris
Sokol, Oscar
Solomon, A. Bernard
Solomon, A. Melvin
Solomon, Aaron
Solomon, David
Solomon, Irving
Solomon, Melvin
Solomon, Walter H.
Sternberg, Harry L.
Stine, Dr. Gordan B.
Steinberg, Dr. Matthew
Steinberg, Irving

Steinberg, Leon
Steinberg, Samuel
Sudit, Howard
Tanenbaum, Louis M.
Tanenbaum, Max M.
Taxon, Rabbi Jordan I.
Tobias, Thomas J.
Toporek, Louis M.
Triest, Maier
Vane, Jack
Weil, Julius H.
Weinberger, Jack I.
Weinberger, Phil
Wetherhorn, Leo
Williams, Dr. Arthur V.
Wolper, Leon
Yaschik, Eugene
Yaschik, Henry
Zucker, J.
Zucker, Julius M.