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Dear Friend:

Enclosed please find a recent photograph. My older ones no longer look like me and if you can use this one, please do. Would appreciate your returning the photo to me after you use it.

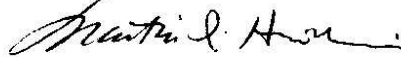
The topic of my subject for the May 6th meeting will be: "Searching for the Past". I will have occasion to discuss my book, entitled "Fourscore and Eleven" which is a history of the Jews of Rapides Parish, Louisiana from 1828 through 1919. All proceeds of this book will go and did go to the Congregation in Alexandria, Louisiana. I will bring along a copy of the book.

As for a biographical sketch: I was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, January 30, 1919. Attended elementary and secondary schools in that city. Went to Yeshiva College in 1936 and graduated from there in 1940 with an A.B. degree. Graduated and was ordained Rabbi from Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1946 with an M.H.L. degree and Rabbinical degree. Received a D.D. from Hebrew Union College in 1971. Married Blossom Kalin of Sioux City, Iowa in 1944, who died in 1988. Have two married children, Phyllis Ann Selber of Houston, Texas and Carolyn Rae Weinberg of Memphis, Tennessee. Remarried to Carol Felsenthal Bach in 1989 and reside in Memphis, TN.

The above, should suffice. If you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please keep me abreast of the meeting place and anything else that I should be aware of.

Until we meet, I remain

Very sincerely,



Martin I. Hinchin, D.D.

JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MEMPHIS AND THE MID-SOUTH

Invites you to Attend

ANNUAL MEETING - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MAY 6, 1990 2:30

PLOUGH TOWERS

Highlight of the meeting will be a lecture by

RABBI EMERITUS, DR. MARTIN I. HINCHIN

His subject will be, "Searching for the Past", a discussion of his book, "Forescore and Eleven", a history of the Jews of Rapides Parish, Louisiana from 1828-1919.

PLEASE JOIN US !

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

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Rabbi Dr. Martin Hinchin

Rabbi Hinchin to address Historical Society

The Jewish Historical Society of Memphis and the Mid-South will elect its officers and board of directors at a meeting Sunday, May 6, at Plough Towers.

The meeting, which will begin at 2:30 p.m., is open to the public.

Featured speaker for the afternoon will be Rabbi Dr. Martin Hinchin, rabbi emeritus of Congregation Gemiluth Chassodim in Alexandria, Louisiana, who will talk on "Searching for the Past"—a discussion of his book "Fourscore and Eleven", a history of the Jews of Rapides Parish, Louisiana, from 1828 through 1919.

According to Society president Leonid Saharovici, the Society enters its fifth year of existence.

Among the major accomplishments in historical preservation, documentation, and education, Mr.

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Saharovici said, is the commission of a research and writing of a history of the Jewish community of Memphis by Dr. Selma Lewis. The book will be ready for publication at the beginning of 1992, he said.

At a recent board meeting of the Society, Dr. Lewis presented for debate the outline of the first 12 chapters concerning her research for the period of 1820-1930.

Stressing the encouragement and financial support in the writing of this book, Mr. Saharovici said, "The Memphis Jewish Federation, through the generous grants offered to the Historical Society and its interest in assisting this project, has become not only a major partner in the endeavor but has made possible that the writing of the history of the Jewish people from Memphis—a dream of many years—become a reality".

Elias J. Goldsmith, Jr., chairman of the nominating committee, will present the following proposed slate of officers and board of directors:

For president, Gloria Felsenthal; first vice-president, David Schneider; second vice-president, Judge Irving Strauch; secretary, Harry Jaffe; treasurer, Abe Schwab; honorary president, Harriet Stern; consultant

and project director, Judy Peiser; legal counsel, Marx Borod; honorary officer, Leonid Saharovici; historian, Shirley Feibelman.

For directors: a three-year term—Helen Wax, Nathan Goler; a two-year term—Ruth Kahn, H. Kirke Lewis, Jack Lieberman, Jean Pierce; and a one-year term—Lester Sewel, Laura Spiegler, Elias Goldsmith, Jr.