Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary Directory (K1391)

Collection Number: K1391

Collection Title: Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary Directory

Dates: 1994-1996

Creator: Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary


Collection Size: 0.05 cubic foot
(1 folder)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary Directory can be found in the following collections:

Menorah Legacy Foundation Papers (K1075)
Menorah Medical Center Records (K1077)
Notes: This collection is associated with the Jewish Community Archives of Greater Kansas City.

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Historical Note:

The Women’s Auxiliary to the Jewish Memorial Hospital was founded in May 1928. Dedicated to providing support to the new Jewish Memorial Hospital, a group of young women created an organization that would eventually become the Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary. With over 1,000 members in 1996, the auxiliary donated volunteer hours, provided financial support, and hosted service projects for the Menorah Medical Center and the Kansas City community. Between 1969 and 1996, the auxiliary raised a total of $1,570,000 for Menorah Medical Center. Additionally, from 1960 to 1961, members donated 1,236,624 service hours to the center. Examples of the auxiliary’s permanent fundraising projects are the center’s coffee shop, the center’s gift shop, See’s Candy, and the Trans-Menorah auction.

In 1994, Menorah Medical Center was sold to Health Midwest, a local non-profit health care system. After the sale, Health Midwest placed restrictions on auxiliary’s contributions to the center with each donation requiring Health Midwest’s approval. While this made cooperation more difficult, many members were still dedicated to helping the Menorah Medical Center. In 2003, Hospital Corporation of America (HCA), a national for-profit health care company, purchased Health Midwest. With this change to a for-profit system, the Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary ended its affiliation with Menorah Medical Center and became the Menorah Women’s Foundation. Today, the Menorah Women’s Foundation provides funds to improve the health and wellness of the Jewish community.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into a single folder.

Scope and Content Note:

The Menorah Medical Center Auxiliary Directory contains a 1994-1996 membership directory book. In the first section, the book lists the auxiliary’s officers, board members, and directors as well as their fundraising projects, lifetime members, membership dues, and a description of volunteer positions. The majority of the book is a membership directory including each member’s name, address, and phone number.

Container List:

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