

# HUC-JIR AND FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

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**Professor Fritz Bamberger z"l**, *Books Are the Best Things* (Society of Jewish Bibliophiles). First published in 1962, this anthology of Jewish writings on the value of Jewish books, dating from the fifth to the beginning of the eighteenth century, is now being reprinted in conjunction with the inaugural Fritz Bamberger Memorial Lecture, which will be held at HUC-JIR/NY on October 22.

**Zafira Lidovsky Cohen**, *"Loosen the Fetters of Thy Tongue, Woman": A Study of the Poetry and Poetics of Yona Wallach* (HUC Press). A study of the Israeli poet Yona Wallach (1944-1985), which describes her bohemian lifestyle and her critical reputation, and presents translations and interpretations of examples of her work and situates them in a variety of historical and literary contexts.

**Dr. Tamara Cohn Eskenazi**, ed. with David Jobling and Gary Phillips, *Levinas and Biblical Studies* (Society of Biblical Literature). This book offers an introduction, from the perspective of biblical scholarship, to the writings of the Jewish philosopher Levinas and shows applications of his significant insight to biblical studies.

**Dr. David J. Gilner and Laurel S. Wolfson**, eds., *Spinoza and Anti-Spinoza Literature: The Printed Literature of Spinozism, 1665-1832*, by Fritz Bamberger, *Bibliographica Judaica*, vol. 15 (Klau Library, HUC-JIR/Cincinnati). Also published in conjunction with the inaugural Fritz Bamberger Memorial Lecture, this catalogue raisonné of Bamberger's collection (acquired by HUC-JIR in 1986 and currently housed in the Rare Book Room of the Abramov Library in Jerusalem) includes both printed books and manuscripts by and about Baruch Spinoza (1632-1677), the Dutch-Jewish humanist philosopher.

**Dr. Lawrence A. Hoffman**, ed., *My People's Prayerbook - Traditional Prayers, Modern Commentaries, Vol. 7 - Shabbat at Home* (Jewish Lights Publishing). An exploration of Ashkenazi-style table liturgy and *zmirot* (table songs) for *Shabbat*, which illuminates the meanings behind the traditional blessings

for *Kabbalat Shabbat* as well as *Havdalah*. Contributors include **Dr. Michael Chernick**, **Dr. David Ellenson**, **Dr. Alyssa Gray**, **Dr. Joel Hoffman**, and **Rabbi Lawrence Kushner**.

**Rabbi Steve Leder**, *More Money Than God: Living a Rich Life without Losing Your Soul* (Bonus Books). An examination of money in the Jewish and Christian Bibles which explores its role in belief and value systems, and how it influences family, work, and philanthropy.

**Dr. Michael A. Meyer**, ed. with Bärbel Such, *Leo Baeck Werke, Volume 6: Briefe, Reden, Aufsätze* (Gütersloher Verlagshaus). A collection of previously unpublished or unknown letters, addresses, and essays in their original languages (mostly in German and some in English) with introductions and notes.

**Dr. Diane Tickton Schuster**, *Jewish Lives, Jewish Learning: Adult Jewish Learning in Theory and Practice* (UAHC Press). Providing stories of learners and teachers as well as theories of adult development and learning, this book for Jewish professionals in the field of Jewish adult education provides insights into how Jewish adults learn and grow.

**Dr. Ezra Spicehandler**, ed. with Stanley Burnshaw, T. Carmi, Susan Glassman, and Ariel Hirschfeld, *The Modern Hebrew Poem Itself* (Wayne State University Press). A new edition of the work first published in 1965 that includes a new generation of Hebrew poets; each poem is presented in Hebrew with an English phonetic transcription English translation and commentary.

**Dr. Gary P. Zola**, ed., and **Dr. Frederic Krome**, managing ed., *The American Jewish Archives Journal*, Vol. LIV, No. 2 (The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives). Articles, documents, review essays, and book reviews on the history of the American Jewish experience, which include such topics as the Cincinnati Bible War (1869-1873) and its impact on education of Protestants, Catholics, and Jews; the wartime letters of Rabbi Morris Frank (1944-1945); and the reassessment of American Jewry's response to Hitler.

## In Memoriam

**Allen H. Berkman**, devoted friend and generous benefactor of the College-Institute, who served on the Board of Governors for over three decades and, with his beloved wife, Selma, z"l, established the Distinguished Solomon B. Freehof Professorship of Jewish Law and Practice.

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**Lee Kalsman**, beloved friend and generous benefactor, who with her late husband, Irving, established the Lee and Irving Kalsman Institute on Judaism and Health as a national think tank for all faiths committed to healing (see page 13).

**Reva Godlove Kirschberg**, cherished New York Overseer and member of HUC-JIR/NY's Dean's Council, Founding Director of the HUC-JIR/NY Museum, Chair Emerita of its Museum Advisory Committee, Registrar, and Chair of its Docent Program, whose passion for Jewish art, culture, and heritage endures as a precious legacy.

**Selma Koch**, beloved grandmother of Rabbi Jacqueline Koch Ellenson and Rabbi David Ellenson, who will be remembered for her indomitable spirit and her love of life.

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**Dr. Franz Rosenthal**, prize-winning Semiticist who fled Nazi Germany (see pp. 23, 24) and distinguished Associate Professor of Semitic Languages at HUC-JIR/Cincinnati (1940-1948).

**Melvin Schulman**, dedicated member of the Cincinnati Board of Overseers and supporter of HUC-JIR's programs.

**Fannie Zelcer**, esteemed Chief Archivist at the American Jewish Archives (1958-1989), who helped guide the Archives into becoming a world-renowned repository.