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BIBLIOGRAPHY- JEWS IN AMERICA
JUVENILE LITERATURE

GENERAL NON-FICTION:

- | <u>CALL #</u> | <u>AUTHOR</u> | <u>TITLE</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------|--|
| J 776.4 COH | Cohn, Janice | The Christmas Menorahs: How a Town Fought Hate (1995)
A well-illustrated book that tells the true story of how people in Billings, Montana, joined together to fight a series of hate crimes during the holiday season in 1993. |
| J 771.5 FRE | Freedman, Russell | Immigrant Kids (1980)
Text and period photographs chronicle the life of immigrant children at home, school, work and play during the late 1800s and early 1900s. |
| J 771.1 GRA | Grand, Samuel | The Jews Settle in New Amsterdam (1954)
The story of the first Jewish settlers in America, from September, 1654, when their ship first arrived in New Amsterdam, to April, 1730, when their synagogue was completed and they gathered to thank God for their freedom to worship. The book is based on the UAHC filmstrip. |
| J 770 LEV | Levinger, Elma Ehrlich | Jewish Adventures in America: The Story of 300 Years of Jewish Life in the United States (1958)
The history of the Jews in America from the time when New York was still New Amsterdam up to 1954-55, when American Jews celebrated the three hundredth anniversary of the arrival of a little band of refugees. Wherever possible, the author presents the story through the biographies of Jewish men and women who have played some part in creating Jewish history in America. |
| J 777 MAI | Maidens, Marion | Jewish Heroes of the Wild West (adapted for young readers from the original <i>Jews Among the Indians</i> by M. L. Marks) (1997)
Contains the true stories of four immigrant men who played exciting roles in various aspects of western development during the nineteenth century. |
| J 770 MEL | Meltzer, Milton | Remember the Days: A Short History of the Jewish American (1974)
A short history of Jews in America from 1654 and their first permanent community of twenty-three persons in New Amsterdam to the 1960s, stressing the difficulties they have continually faced as an ethnic minority. Includes an index. |
| J 770 MEL | Meltzer, Milton | The Jews in America: A Picture Album (1985)
Pictures and text present the Jewish experience in America from the colonial period to the 1980s. Includes an index. |
| J 771 PES | Pessin, Deborah | History of the Jews in America (1957)
The story of how the Jews came to America, why they came and what they did when they got here. Includes an index. |
| J 770 ROS | Rossel, Seymour | Let Freedom Ring: A History of the Jews in the United States (1995)
Three centuries of political, social and religious experiences make up the history of the Jews in America. Jews contributed to the Age of Discovery and to life in Colonial America; they fought in the American Revolution and in the Civil War; they were active on the western frontier and in the development of the labor movement; they responded to the Holocaust and helped create the State of Israel. This fascinating saga is written for young people and is illustrated with more than 130 vintage photographs. |
| J 770 SAG | Sagan, Miriam | American Origins: Tracing Our Jewish Roots (1993) |

Traces the history of Jews in the United States - especially those from Eastern Europe, their experiences as immigrants and their contributions to American culture.

J 770 WES

Westridge Young Writers Workshop

Kids Explore America's Jewish Heritage (1996)

Students in the Westridge Young Writers Workshop have collaborated to produce this book about Jewish American art, food, history, folk stories, famous people and music, all from a kid's perspective. Features more than 140 illustrations and photos. Includes a calendar and resource guide. (*Kids Explore Series*)

J 770 ZEL

Zeldin, Florence

The American Jewish Experience: Stories of Our Roots and Branches (based on stories told by some students and their teacher) (1995)

Each chapter in this book tells a story of a different family's experiences coming to America. At the end of each story are questions for the reader to answer about his/her family. Includes guidelines to help the reader write his/her own family history.

BIOGRAPHIES - COLLECTIVE:

J 798 ALO

Alofsin, Dorothy

America's Triumph: Stories of American Jewish Heroes (1949)

America's Triumph is the first in a series called *The Intercultural Series*, whose purpose is to bring an understanding of the spirit which motivates peoples of all groups uniting to form America. Children in a junior high school class conduct a project through which they become acquainted with the stories of famous American Jews.

J 798 BLA

Blandford, Benjamin W.

Off the Capes of Delaware: Tales of American Jewish Pioneers and Patriots (1940)

Written for teens, this book relates twenty tales about little-known American Jewish pioneers and patriots, from the colonial period to the Spanish-American war. Based on careful research, these exciting stories transport the reader through adventures with Indians, a rescue at sea, witchcraft, the wild west, and episodes in the lives of Washington and Lafayette.

J 798 BRO

Brody, Seymour "Sy"

Jewish Heroes & Heroines of America: 150 True Stories of American Jewish Heroism (1996)

Highlights the patriotic, scientific, sports, entertainment, social and business contributions of Jews in America, from colonial times to the present, in peace and in war.

J 798 EIS

Eiseman, Alberta

Rebels and Reformers: Biographies of Four Jewish Americans: Uriah Phillips Levy, Ernestine L. Rose, Louis D. Brandeis, Lillian D. Wald (1976)

Uriah P. Levy, 1792-1862, was the first high-ranking Jewish officer in the U.S. Navy and a hero during the War of 1812. He launched and won a campaign to abolish corporal punishment in the armed service. Ernestine L. Rose, 1810-1892, was an abolitionist, social reformer, and active crusader for women's rights. Louis D. Brandeis, 1856-1941, the first Jew named to serve on the Supreme Court of the United States, was an active leader in the Zionist movement in the U.S. Lillian D. Wald, 1867-1940, a public health nurse, co-founded the first Visiting Nurse Service in the U.S. and later founded the Henry Street Settlement in New York City.

J 798 LEV

Levitan, Tina

Jews in American Life: From 1492 to the Space Age (1969)

Includes biographies of ninety outstanding men and women who have displayed creativity in Jewish life or who have contributed to the progress of the emerging American civilization.

J 798 LUR

Lurie, Rose G.

American Jewish Heroes (1960)

Biographies of American Jewish heroes in story form, for intermediate grades, ages 10-12. Includes the following personalities: Asser Levy, Nathan Straus, Louis Brandeis, Louis Marshall, Stephen S. Wise, Henrietta Szold, Judah Leon Magnes, Lillian D. Wald, Sidney Hillman, Albert Einstein, George Gershwin and Herbert H. Lehman.

J 798 RIB

Ribalow, Harold U.

The Jew in American Sports, revised edition

(1963)

Contains personality stories of twenty-eight of the greatest Jewish sports stars in America, as well as dramatically written accounts of their accomplishments. It is a history of the Jews in a wide range of American sports, including baseball, boxing, football, basketball, golf, tennis, chess, bullfighting and other minor but fascinating sports.

BIOGRAPHIES - INDIVIDUAL:

All the biographies listed below are classified with the call # J 799 followed by the last name of the subject of the biography.

SUBJECT

Abzug, Bella (1920-1998)

AUTHOR

Faber, Doris

TITLE

Bella Abzug (1976)

Traces the career of Bella Abzug as a student, young lawyer, leader of the anti-war movement, congresswoman, wife and mother. Illustrated with family pictures. Based on interviews with family, friends, critics and Mrs. Abzug herself.

Baruch, Bernard (1870-1965)

Henry, Joanne Landers

Bernard Baruch: Boy from South Carolina (1971)

The story of Bernard Baruch's childhood growing up in the south, his education and rise to financial wealth and leadership on Wall Street, and how he became a financial and economic advisor to presidents. (*Childhood of Famous Americans Series*)

Berg, Moe (1902-1972)

Grey, Vivian

Moe Berg: The Spy Behind Home Plate (1996)

Moe Berg, one of the few Jews to play baseball in the major leagues, was a top-secret spy during World War II. With his help, the U.S. obtained important information for use in its atomic bomb program. (*JPS Young Biographies Series*)

Bernstein, Leonard (1918-1990)

Hurwitz, Johanna

Leonard Bernstein: A Passion for Music (1993)

Composer, conductor, pianist and teacher, nine-time Emmy winner Bernstein composed both serious and popular music. This biography follows Bernstein's life from his childhood through his brilliant career.

Bondi, August (1833-1907)

Alexander, Lloyd

Border Hawk: August Bondi (1958)

A veteran, at age 15, of battles for freedom in Vienna, Bondi emigrated to the U.S. and eventually settled in Kansas, one of the state's early Jewish pioneers. An ardent abolitionist, he supported John Brown's military activities and fought heroically in the border disputes of the Civil War. (*Covenant Books*)

Brandeis, Louis D. (1856-1941)

Gross, David C.

A Justice for All the People: Louis D. Brandeis (1987)

As an attorney, Brandeis fought to end child labor and discrimination against working women and defended the dignity of all people. He served with wisdom and distinction for 23 years as the first Jewish justice on the Supreme Court. (*Jewish Biography Series*)

Carvalho, Solomon (1815-1897)

Greenspan, Sophie

Westward with Fremont: The Story of Solomon Carvalho (1969)

Proud descendent of a Sephardic Jewish family, Solomon Nunes Carvalho traveled with Colonel John Charles Fremont as the photographer and artist of the Fremont expedition to discover a route through the Rockies to the Pacific Ocean.

Davidson, Jo (1883-1952)

Kuhn, Lois Harris

The World of Jo Davidson (1958)

U.S. sculptor Davidson was born in the ghetto of New York's Lower East Side. Despite severe poverty, he studied art in New York and Paris and went on to become a great sculptor, sculpting portraits of many celebrities, including military and political leaders. (*Covenant Books*)

**Einstein, Albert (1879-1955)
Einstein, Albert**

**Santrey, Laurence
Wise, William**

**Young Albert Einstein (1990)
Albert Einstein: Citizen of the World (1960)**

Two biographies of Albert Einstein, one of the greatest scientists the world has ever known. His work revolutionized scientific thinking but his brilliant mind was not always recognized. As a child, he did poorly in school; as a teenager, he knew loneliness and disappointment; as a young college graduate, he nearly starved before he found a job and could support himself. At 26 he published his Theory of Relativity and began his rise to fame.

Fleischner, Louis (1829-1896)

Apsler, Alfred

Northwest Pioneer: The Story of Louis Fleischner (1960)

Louis and his younger brother Jacob were shipped off to America in 1844 from a ghetto in Bohemia. After living some years in the east, the two brothers traveled by covered wagon to the Willamette Valley in Oregon, where they opened a pioneer trading post. Louis fought in the Rogue Indian wars, and later experienced adventures in the gold rush and mining camps. Eventually he returned to Portland, where he became one of its leading citizens and helped build his congregation's new synagogue. (*Covenant Books*)

Gimbel, Adam (1817-1896)

Wells, Helen

Adam Gimbel: Pioneer Trader (1955)

Adam Gimbel emigrated from Bavaria and settled in New Orleans in 1835. He was a peddler along the Mississippi River before opening a dry goods store in Indiana in 1842.

Ginsburg, Ruth Bader (1933-)

Ayer, Eleanor H.

Ruth Bader Ginsburg: Fire and Steel on the Supreme Court (1994)

A biography of the second female Supreme Court Justice. Describes her battle for equal rights for members of both sexes. (*People in Focus Series*)

Goldman, Emma (1869-1940)

Shulman, Alex

To the Barricades: The Anarchist Life of Emma Goldman (1971)

United States anarchist, writer and lecturer, Emma Goldman, in her journal *Mother* (1906-18), aimed to illuminate the injustice and immorality of American society. (*Women of America Series*)

Gratz, Rebecca (1781-1867)

Biskin, Miriam

Pattern for a Heroine: The Life-Story of Rebecca Gratz (1967)

Many people believe Rebecca Gratz was the model for the heroine in Sir Walter Scott's *Ivanhoe*. A woman of great compassion, she was the founder of the first Jewish Sunday school in America. This book captures the romance of the post-Revolutionary period.

Greenberg, Hank (1911-1986)

Berkow, Ira

Hank Greenberg: Hall-of-Fame Slugger (1991)

Hank Greenberg was the first Jewish ballplayer to be elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. His experience as the target of anti-Semitic remarks led him to befriend Jackie Robinson in his encounters with discrimination as the first black ballplayer in the major leagues.

Lazarus, Emma (1849-1887)

Levinson, Nancy Smiler

I Lift My Lamp: Emma Lazarus and the Statue of Liberty (1986) (*Jewish Biography Series*)

Lazarus, Emma

Merriam, Eve

The Voice of Liberty: The Story of Emma Lazarus (1959) (*Covenant Books*)

Two biographies of this famous American poet, best remembered for her sonnet on the Statue of Liberty. She was a friend to immigrants and an activist for humane causes.

Levy, Uriah Phillips (1792-1862)

Abrahams, Robert D.

The Commodore: The Adventurous Life of Uriah P. Levy (1954)

Uriah P. Levy was one of the most romantic figures in American Jewish history. This story tells of duels and shipwrecks; imprisonment in England during the war of 1812; travels to the West Indies, France, Mexico and Brazil. Levy bought and restored Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home, and paid tribute to Jefferson by presenting a statue of him to the government in Washington.

Lopez, Aaron (1731-1782)

Alexander, Lloyd

The Flagship Hope: Aaron Lopez (1960)

Threatened with prison or death at the hands of the Inquisition because he refused to deny his faith, Duarte Lopez escaped from Lisbon in 1752 and sailed to Newport, Rhode Island. There he took back his Hebrew name, Aaron. In Newport, Lopez became a prosperous merchant ship owner who supported the American revolution against the British and offered shelter to other Marranos from Portugal.

Lubin, David (1849-1919)	Eisenberg, Azriel	Feeding the World: A Biography of David Lubin (1965)
		A man of diverse talents, David Lubin was an inventor, prospector, merchant and rancher before focusing his energies on the problem of food conservation and distribution. He laid the ground work for what is today the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.
Menuhin, Yehudi (1916-1999)	Wymer, Norman	Yehudi Menuhin (1961)
		This biography paints a picture of the sheltered family life in which the genius of Yehudi Menuhin flowered. At the age of eleven, Yehudi appeared three times in eighteen days in Carnegie Hall and established himself as one of the world's greatest violinists. (<i>Living Biographies Series</i>)
Mordecai, Alfred (1804-1887)	Abrahams, Robert D.	The Uncommon Soldier: Major Alfred Mordecai (1959)
		At the outbreak of the Civil War, Major Mordecai, a U.S. soldier, engineer and ordinance expert, found himself torn between loyalties to the state of his birth, North Carolina, where his own family lived, and to the North, where his wife, her family and their sons had their roots. He faced this challenge with character and integrity. (<i>Covenant Books</i>)
Myers, Myer (1723-1795)	Wise, William	Silversmith of Old New York: Myer Myers (1958)
		The reader shares Myer's adventures and disappointments as a boy apprentice; his making of the beautiful silver menorah which saved him from being arrested by the British as a spy during the Revolution; and many other exciting events in the life of this patriot. (<i>Covenant Books</i>)
Picon, Molly (1898-1992)	Perl, Lila	Molly Picon: A Gift of Laughter (1990)
		Molly Picon brought joy and laughter to theater, movies, radio and television audiences for more than eighty years. Through Molly's story, Lila Perl conveys a panorama of twentieth-century Jewish life.
Pulitzer, Joseph (1847-1911)	Noble, Iris	Joseph Pulitzer: Front Page Pioneer (1957)
		Starting his career as a hard-hitting reporter, Joseph Pulitzer became one of the nation's leading editors and publishers. He left a broad legacy to journalism, including the famed Pulitzer Prize awards.
Resnik, Judith (1949-1986)	Bernstein, Joanne E. & Rose Blue with Alan Jay Gerber	Judith Resnik: Challenger Astronaut (1990)
		The story of the first Jewish astronaut, Judith Resnik, a Doctor of Electrical Engineering, who was killed in the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger.
Rose, Ernestine (1810-1892)	Suhl, Yuri	Eloquent Crusader: Ernestine Rose (1970)
		Ernestine Rose fought to end slavery in the South and establish women's rights in the North. She worked to make America fulfill its promise of liberty and justice for all.
Salomon, Haym (1740-1785) Salomon, Haym Salomon, Haym	Fast, Howard Knight, Vick, Jr. Milgrim, Shirley	Haym Salomon: Son of Liberty (1941) "Send for Haym Salomon!" (1976) Haym Salomon: Liberty's Son (1979)
		Three biographies of the Jewish broker who has been called "the financial genius of the Revolutionary War." Haym Salomon was responsible for raising most of the money needed to finance the American War of Independence and later to save the new nation from collapse.
Schechter, Solomon (1847-1915)	Eisenberg, Azriel	Fill a Blank Page: A Biography of Solomon Schechter (1965)

- Spielberg, Steven** (1947-)
World famous for discovering the Genizah (repository of ancient documents, scrolls and learned books) in the hide-away chamber of the Old Cairo Synagogue, Schechter served as head of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and led and inspired the institutions that became the center of Conservative Judaism.
Powers, Tom **Steven Spielberg** (1997)
This once “weird, skinny kid” became a famous movie director. He made his first movie at the age of thirteen. In 1992 his film *Schindler's List* won an Academy Award for Best Picture, and Spielberg himself won an Oscar for Best Director. (*Biography Series*)
- Strauss, Levi** (1829-1902)
Weidt, Maryann N. **Mr. Blue Jeans: A Story about Levi Strauss** (1990)
Traces the life of the immigrant Jewish peddler who went on to found Levi Strauss & Company, the world's first and largest manufacturer of denim jeans.
- Szold, Henrietta** (1860-1945)
Kustanowitz, Shulamit E. **Henrietta Szold: Israel's Helping Hand** (1990)
Henrietta Szold was the founder and first president of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America. During her years in Palestine, she headed efforts to bring better health care to all the people of that country and later to rescue children from Nazi Germany. (*Women of Our Time Series*)
- Trupin, Sophie** (1902-1992)
Trupin, Sophie **Dakota Diaspora: Memoirs of Jewish Homesteader** (1984)
Written over the course of forty years, *Dakota Diaspora* recalls the life and perceptions of a little girl, uprooted and transplanted from Russia to a strange land, harsh and forbidding, with bitter winters and stubborn, rock-strewn soil.
- Wald, Lillian** (1867-1949)
Block, Irvin **Neighbor to the World: The Story of Lillian Wald** (1969) (*Women of America Series*)
Wald, Lillian **Lillian Wald: The Nurse in Blue** (1966)
Wald, Lillian **Lillian Wald of Henry Street** (1983)
Wald, Lillian **Lillian Wald: Angel of Henry Street** (1948)
Four biographies of the founder of the Henry Street Settlement House in New York, from which stemmed many reforms in public health. Lillian Wald became a leader in the abolition of child labor, champion of the Federal Children's Bureau and staunch advocate of international cooperation for the promotion of world health.
- Wise, Isaac Mayer** (1819-1900)
Gumbiner, Joseph H. **Isaac Mayer Wise: Pioneer of American Judaism** (1959)
A thrilling biography of the spirited nineteenth century rabbi whose pioneering genius in establishing a modern Judaism in the United States has profoundly influenced the lives of thousands of American Jews today. Filled with colorful drama and vivid characterization, the book unreels a panorama of Wise's stormy life, from early struggle against oppression in his native Bohemia to shining achievement in America.

JUVENILE FICTION:

The Juvenile Fiction selections listed below are classified with the call # J 563 followed by the first three letters of the author's last name.

<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>AGE</u>
Angell, Judie	One-Way to Ansonia (1985)	9-14
The year is 1893. Ten-year-old Rose arrives at Ellis Island from Russia with her two older sisters, her brother and baby sister on the day their Papa is to be married for the third time since their Mama died. The children are a surprise to the new wife. Eventually Rose finds that her emergence into adolescence brings employment, marriage, motherhood and self-determination.		
Barrie, Barbara	Lone Star (1990)	10-14
When Jane Miller's family moves from Chicago in the summer of 1944, away from their relatives and their		

community, to Corpus Christi, Texas, Jane hopes to fit in. When Jane's grandfather arrives for Chanukah, his unyielding faith forces the whole family to confront their identities as Jews and as a family.

- Blue, Rose** **Cold Rain on the Water** (1979) **9-14**
A contemporary story of a Russian immigrant boy and his family, the challenges and problems they face in America.
- Brooks, Jerome** **Make Me a Hero** (1980) **9-14**
Twelve-year-old Jake Ackerman's brothers go off to fight in World War II. The story chronicles Jake's struggle to come of age in those turbulent times.
- Burstein, Abraham** **Adventure on Manhattan Island: The Story of Hillel and His Encounter with Peter Stuyvesant and the Indians** (1957) **9-14**
This book brings to life an epoch of early American Jewish history through the story of Hillel, the first Jewish boy in America.
- Chaikin, Miriam** **I Should Worry, I Should Care** (1979) **8-11**
Miriam Chaikin's first novel is a warm, humorous story about a Jewish family in Brooklyn in the days before America became involved in World War II.
- Cohen, Barbara** **Molly's Pilgrim** (1983) **7-9**
Mama helps Molly make a Pilgrim doll for Molly's class's Thanksgiving project. Molly's teacher helps her - and her class - realize that all immigrants who come to America for religious freedom are true Pilgrims. This book is often read in public schools. Barbara Cohen has received the AJL Sydney Taylor Body-of-Work Award.
- Cohen, Barbara** **Make a Wish, Molly** (1994) **7-9**
A sequel to *Molly's Pilgrim*. Molly and her mother don't know about birthdays. In Russia, birthdays weren't celebrated like they were in the U.S. When Molly is invited to a birthday party during the week of Passover, she faces a conflict between her old traditions and those of her new land.
- Cohen, Barbara** **Thank You, Jackie Robinson** (1997) **8-11**
After Sam's father dies, Sam becomes wrapped up in the Brooklyn Dodgers. Sam meets Davy. They come from different races, religions and generations, but they develop a friendship that goes beyond baseball. An AJL Notable Book.
- Colman, Hila** **Ellie's Inheritance** (1979) **9-14**
The story of a suddenly impoverished Jewish girl who must find her way in the intellectual ferment of New York City in the middle of the great depression of the 1930s.
- Colman, Hila** **Rachel's Legacy** (1978) **9-14**
This novel, about a remarkable young girl who builds a family fortune, introduces the readers to New York City's Lower East Side in the early 1900s.
- Cone, Molly** **Hurry Henrietta** (1966) **9-14**
A sensitive portrait of the large family who lived on Lombard Street in Baltimore in the late 1800s and the girl who grew up to be Israel's beloved Henrietta Szold, founder of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America.
- Geras, Adele** **Voyage** (1983) **9-14**
A journey across the ocean from the old country to the new. The travelers wonder, "Does America even exist? Will they ever reach it? What will they discover?" They all know there is no turning back.
- Hesse, Karen** **Witness** (2001) **10-14**
The story takes place in a small Vermont town in 1924. The town turns against its own when the Ku Klux Klan moves in. Karen Hesse is a Newbery Award Winner.
- Hesse, Karen** **A Time of Angels** (1995) **10-14**
When war separates Hannah from her parents in 1918, she moves to her aunt's crowded tenement in Boston's West End. Together, Hannah and her Tanta Rose struggle to protect Hannah's two young sisters from the deadly influenza epidemic.
- Hest, Amy** **Love You, Soldier** (2000) **8-10**
Katie is just seven when her father leaves to fight in a faraway war. Through Katie's eyes, Amy Hest tells a deeply moving story about the changes war brings to one family.
- Hurwitz, Johanna** **Baseball Fever** (1981) **8-10**
Raised in Europe, Mr. Feldman has no feeling for certain American basics like baseball and pumpkin pie, while his son Ezra is an ardent fan of both. With verve and humor, this engaging novel explores the conflicts that arise between father and son.
- Kubie, Nora Benjamin** **Joel: A Novel of Young America** (1952) **11-14**
The American Revolution is the setting for this thoughtful and exciting novel about a young Jewish refugee who

comes to America in 1775 seeking the peaceful life of a scholar and escape from the persecution he has known in his native land.

- Lasky, Kathryn** **Dreams in the Golden Country:** **10-13**
The Diary of Zipporah Feldman, a Jewish Immigrant Girl (1998)
 Set in New York City's Lower East Side in 1903, this book is part of the *Dear America* series.
- Littlefield, Holly** **Fire at the Triangle Factory** (1996) **8-10**
 This moving story of courage and friendship is based on true accounts of the tragic Triangle Shirtwaist Company fire of March 25, 1911, in New York City.
- Moskin, Marietta** **Waiting for Mama** (1975) **8-10**
 The story creates a moving portrait of one Russian family which also illuminates the experiences of many immigrants at the turn of the century.
- Roseman, Kenneth** **The Melting Pot: An Adventure in New York** (1984) **11-14**
 One of UAHC's *Do-It-Yourself Jewish Adventure* series, this book is set in the turbulent Lower East Side of New York at the turn of the century. On every page the reader must make a decision that will determine his/her future.
- Roseman, Kenneth** **The Other Side of the Hudson:** **11-14**
A Jewish Immigrant Adventure (1993)
 In this UAHC *Do-It-Yourself Jewish Adventure* series book, the reader becomes a young Jewish immigrant from Bavaria in 1850. The decisions made mirror the choices made by new Jewish Americans as they settled in the United States.
- Sherman, Eileen** **Independence Avenue** (1990) **10-14**
Bluestone
 The story of fourteen-year-old Elias Cherevnosky, a Russian immigrant who arrives in Kansas City alone in 1907, with no job, no money and no place to live. He must call on all his resources to learn to live in his new environment.
- Talbert, Marc** **Star of Luis** (1999) **12-14**
 Shortly after the start of World War II, Luis's father joins the army and Luis's entire life changes. His mother decides to return to the little town of Los Manos, New Mexico, where she and her husband grew up. In Los Manos, Luis learns a family secret that forces him to decide for himself who he is.
- Taylor, Sydney** **All-of-a-Kind Family** (1951) **8-10**
 In this book, first in a series of five, the reader is introduced to five sisters in a loving immigrant family in New York's Lower East Side in 1912. Families have been charmed by these stories for years. The AJL Body-of-Work Award has been named in honor of the author.
- Terris, Susan** **Tucker and the Horse Thief** (1979) **10-14**
 A twelve-year-old girl, posing as a boy and abused and neglected by a father who has brought her to California to help him get rich in the aftermath of the gold rush, finds both warmth and uneasiness in a friendship with a Jewish boy who does not suspect she is a girl.

PICTURE BOOKS:

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| P 563 ALT | Altman, Linda Jacobs | The Legend of Freedom Hill (2000) | 8-10 |
| | Illus. Cornelius Van Wright & Ying-Hwa Hu | | |
| | During the California Gold Rush, two young girls, Rosabel, an African American, and Sophie, a Jew, team up and search for gold to buy Rosabel's mother her freedom from a slave catcher. | | |
| P 563 BLA | Blanc, Esther Silverstein | Berchick (1989) | 8-10 |
| | Illus. Tennessee Dixon | | |
| | Homesteading in Wyoming in the early 1900s, a Jewish mother develops an unusual relationship with a colt she adopts and names Berchick. | | |
| P 799
BRESNICK | Bresnick-Perry, Roslyn | Leaving for America (1992) | 8-10 |
| | Illus. Mira Reisberg | | |
| | The author tells her story of life in a Russian Jewish community in the 1920s, when she was a seven-year-old girl who was leaving with her mother to start a new life in America. | | |
| P 563 HES | Hest, Amy | When Jessie Came Across the Sea (1997) | 8-10 |
| | Illus. P. J. Lynch | | |
| | A beautifully illustrated, moving story of a thirteen-year-old Jewish orphan girl, Jessie, who reluctantly leaves her grandmother and comes to New York, where she works for three years sewing lace and earning money to bring | | |

her grandmother to the U.S.

- J 563 LAS** **Lasky, Kathryn** **Marven of the Great North Woods** (1997) **8-10**
Illus. Kevin Hawkes
When his Jewish parents send him to a Minnesota logging camp to escape the influenza epidemic of 1918, ten-year-old Marven finds a special friend.
- P 563 LEV** **Levinson, Riki** **Watch the Stars Come Out** (1985) **6-8**
Illus. Diane Goode
Every Friday night, after the dishes were put away, Grandma's mama would come to her room and tell her a story. It was her story of coming to America as a little girl.
- P 563 OBE** **Oberman, Sheldon** **The Always Prayer Shawl** (1994) **8-10**
Illus. Ted Lewin
A prayer shawl is handed down from grandfather to grandson in this story of immigration and tradition. Grandfather teaches that some things change and some things don't. Winner of the National Jewish Book Award and the AJL Sydney Taylor Award.
- P 563 POL** **Polacco, Patricia** **The Keeping Quilt** (1988) **7-10**
With heart-warming text and illustrations, Patricia Polacco tells the story of her own family and the quilt that remains a symbol of the enduring love and faith that binds them together. Winner of the AJL Sydney Taylor Award.
- P 563 RAE** **Rael, Elsa Okon** **Rivka's First Thanksgiving** (2001) **7-10**
Illus. Maryann Kovalski
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