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Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum  
American Jewish Committee  
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Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum,

Well, we are approaching "the upcoming event" for the Southern Jewish Community. Finally, after three years of dates and prior obligation conflicts you will be with us. I called several weeks ago to speak with you about the Camp but you were away. I gave Mrs. Resnick the flight information.

We have had a wonderful response from the community we serve. Presently we have over 100 participants registered. I believe the number will reach 125 by the date of the Seminar.

The Jacobs Camp will begin its eleventh year of physical existence this June. I say "physical existence", as we dreamed about it for sixteen years before it became a reality. The Camp is a monument to the stamina and commitment of the Jewish community of Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana and Western Tennessee. Without any large gifts of money or land, the Camp was built from a period ranging from 1954 to its opening in 1970 and was given to the U.A.H.C. debt free.

The Camp is designed to service the Judaically culturally deprived congregations of the above mentioned geographic area. Many of our congregations have few congregants and no Rabbi. Other than Memphis and New Orleans, we basically are the educational and communal center. We view the Camp as somewhat of a congregation with a four-state membership.

Long ago we made a commitment to be much more than a summer camp. Today we offer not only a very sophisticated summer camp, but a very active and complete winter program as well. I am enclosing for you our "Winter Camp" brochure.

The adult program is as important to me as the summer's program. We can sponsor an event such as the one where you will be featured and bring together people from Meridian, Natchez, Tupelo, Coffeetown and Winona, in Mississippi; Opelousas, New Iberia and Monroe, in Louisiana; and Blytheville, Dumas and Hot Springs, in Arkansas - to mention just a few. Many times these adults are one of maybe five other Jewish families, sometimes more, sometimes less. They come for two major reasons - Judaica and fellowship among other Jews.

We have a wonderful facility and marvelous support from the community. We are self sustaining, however, and still



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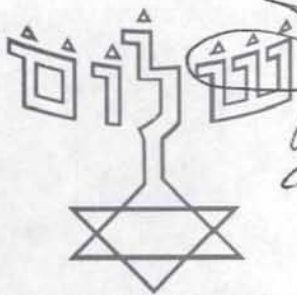
maintain the lowest fee structure of all the nine U.A.H.C. camps. To give you an idea of our weekend fee, we only charge \$30 a person for the whole weekend, half price for couples under 30 years, and for college students through 25 years, the weekend is free.

Everyone here is excited about your visit and we are looking forward to your presentation. Please send me your biographical material and call me Monday or Tuesday so we can finalize and select topics. I am also enclosing the most recent publicity release. I discovered I made a mistake in stating your position.

Again, I am looking forward to our days together.

Yours truly,

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April 8, 1980

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jacobs Camp's Friends

FROM: Henry S. Jacobs Camp Staff

SUBJECT: Adult Seminar, May 2,3,4, 1980 - Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, Speaker

The exciting May Adult Seminar is almost here. We wanted to remind you again that the featured speaker is one of the most important Jewish leaders in the world today. He is Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, Executive Director of the American Jewish Committee.

Rabbi Tanenbaum has been an advocate of Jewish concerns in not only the halls of our government but internationally as well. We have tried for over two years to feature Rabbi Tanenbaum as an Adult Seminar speaker. Only last year, he had to cancel an engagement for our spring seminar in response to a summons from the Pope in Rome.

You have seen his name appear many times with the leadership of the Jewish communities in meetings with President Carter and other high officialdom. You can also catch him frequently on one of the major TV network news shows such as "Meet the Press", "Face the Nation", or "Issues and Answers", to mention just a few.

And you may be interested to know that Rabbi Tanenbaum was requested by NBC to prepare a detailed critique of the script for the network's production of "Holocaust". His critique became the basis of script revisions for the program. Rabbi Tanenbaum also served as the American Jewish consultant to NBC TV's special, "Jesus of Nazareth."

The topics for his seminars at Jacobs Camp, though not finalized by name, will cover issues confronting all of us today. We are sure he will deal with Israel, Iran, the world pressures on the Jewish Community, and other important issues that occupy our attention.

Make your plans to be here. The cost is nominal.

Adults over 25 years of age	\$ 30.00 per person
College age to 25 years	Free
Couples (both under 30)	2 for 1 (\$30 per couple)
Children through High School Age	\$22.00

This rate includes room and board from Friday dinner through lunch on Sunday, as well as the Seminars. To register for the weekend send a \$10.00 per person non-refundable deposit to the Henry S. Jacobs Camp. The balance can be paid when you arrive at Camp.

Remember there are beds for over 200 people at a Seminar. Unfortunately, there are only 20 rooms that are considered private (2 per room). After the private rooms have been reserved the registrants are assigned dorm space. Do not miss the fun and excitement of being at Camp as a camper again. If you have never attended one of our seminars you are in for a treat. Usually we have 80 to 100 adults for a fun-filled socially and intellectually stimulating weekend.

Here are a few things you should know:

1. Children from 3 years( and potty-trained) are welcome. We will have staff to take care of them.
2. We do not furnish linen and towels unless we are requested to do so. A charge of \$2.00 will cover 2 sheets, 2 towels, a pillow case and a wash cloth. We must be notified in advance as we rent linen from a supply house. We do furnish pillows and blankets.
3. Bring your own toilet articles, soap, etc.
4. Fishing has been great - bass, weighing two to four pounds have been pulled out of the lake recently! So you may want to bring along fishing gear. If you love tennis, bring your tennis racket.

5. Casual clothing is the appropriate attire for the entire weekend. Maps and directions to the Camp are available.

We will have a large turn-out as we have been announcing this Seminar since last September. We hope you'll join us for this stimulating weekend at the Jacobs Camp May 2, 3, and 4!

ADULT SEMINAR SCHEDULE

May 2,3,4, 1980

FRIDAY

Registration	3:00 - 5:00
Happy Hour*	5:00 - 6:30
Shabbat Dinner	6:30 - 8:00
Services	8:00 - 8:30
Seminar I	8:30 -

SATURDAY

Wake-up	8:30
Breakfast	9:00
Seminar II	10:00
Lunch	1:00 P.M.
Informal Session with Rabbi Tanenbaum (Optional)	2:15 - 4:00
Free Time	2:00 - 6:00
Dinner	6:00 - 7:30
Seminar III **	7:30 - 10:00
Free time	10:00

SUNDAY

To be announced

\* For Happy Hour, bring your own bottle and noshes.

\*\* Due to Rabbi Tanenbaum's being asked to be in Washington on Sunday afternoon, Seminar III is being held on Saturday night.

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