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# THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE

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September 23, 1980

Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum  
THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE  
165 East 56th Street  
New York, NY 10022

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

We are truly ecstatic over your acceptance of our invitation to speak to our Portland Chapter of the American Jewish Committee October 19, 1980. We know that any subject you choose will be topical and of great interest.

Since we are a new chapter and many non-members will be in attendance, we wish to suggest that you incorporate in your remarks the various areas in which AJC functions and the uniqueness of AJC methods utilized to achieve its goals. Since this is an announced fund raising event, it would be particularly important for you to state how our budget is achieved.

Any additional sales effort that can assist in signing up new members, along with raising funds, will be appreciated. This is a big order but, having had the pleasure of hearing you several times before, I have assurance it will be easily mastered.

We are so looking forward to your visit.

Yours truly,

Stuart Durkheimer  
Chairman

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CHAIRMAN, Stuart Durkheimer; VICE-CHAIRMEN, Philip Feldman, Ralph Miller; TREASURER, Lois Rosenbaum; SECRETARY, David Stern; IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN, Arthur Levinson; ASSISTANT AREA DIRECTOR, Laurie Rogoway; BOARD OF DIRECTORS, Henry Blauer, Bruce and Harriet Braunsten, Stephen Forman, Deborah Garfinkle, Rabbi Yonah Celler, Lila Goodman, Bette Greenstein, Renee Holzman, Dr. Michael Kovsky, Judge Donald Londer, Jeanne Moment, Roscoe Nelson, Sam Robinson, Mark Rosenbaum, Dr. William Rosenbaum, Victor Rosenfeld, Morris Rosencrantz, Morton Shapiro, Dr. Milton Singer, Fritzi Sussman, Amy Tanne

**THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE**

**date** 9/25/80

**to** Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum

**from** Laurie Rogoway

**subject**

You can see that our chapter chairman is really asking that you "sell" our audience, with reasons for contributing generously. Let me add one more request to his - it would be really helpful if you were to suggest that voluntary announcements of gifts are in order. I have discussed this with Harry Guberman.

Many thanks - We are all looking forward to your visit.





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**Lewis & Clark College**

June 25, 1980

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
National Director  
Interreligious Affairs  
The American Jewish Committee  
165 East 56 Street  
New York, New York 10022

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

Dean Brown has asked me to coordinate and plan the Chamberlin Lecture on October 20 and 21. I am privileged and honored to do so and am especially pleased that you are to be the visiting lecturer.

My letter today will answer your inquiries of May 30. I can tell you generally how your schedule will look but will not be able to provide the specifics until the beginning of September.

Your visit will begin around 4:00pm on Monday, October 20, with a sherry hour in one of the dormitories followed by a small dinner party prior to your public address at 7:30pm. The latter will be well publicized in the community. We hope to have present an audience representative of all facets of Portland, not just the Lewis and Clark College community.

The following day we would like you to appear in one or two classes to discuss further the ideas you present on Monday evening or to explore other avenues of thought related to the particular classes. These are the details I shall be able to provide in September.

I should like to organize a sort of "brown bag luncheon" for you on Tuesday so that you might talk with interested faculty members, students and staff in a more informal atmosphere.

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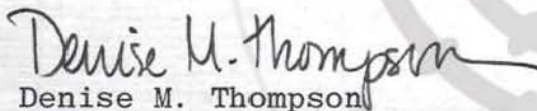
If there are people in Portland, friends of yours, you would like to have included in any or all of the "non-public" parts of your visit I should be happy to extend invitations, or you may do so yourself. Please let me know their names.

I suggest that your arrival be timed for the morning or early afternoon of October 20. Of course, I shall meet you at the airport. Our guest rooms will be used to house students during Fall term, so I shall make reservations for you at The Benson Hotel. Please make whatever return travel arrangements best suit your undoubtedly busy schedule. I anticipate that a flight after 3:00pm would allow enough time to complete your visit here. Or, you may wish to stay in Portland until the 22nd which we would thoroughly enjoy.

It would be most helpful for me to have a title and/or topic for your address to use in the publicity. It could be something quite general which would allow you latitude in your actual remarks four months hence.

I shall look forward to hearing from you. If you have questions or concerns, please let me know.

Cordially,



Denise M. Thompson

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Associate Dean of Students  
Director of Residence Halls

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May 30, 1980

Dr. John E. Brown  
Provost and Dean of Faculty  
Lewis & Clark College  
Portland, Oregon 97219

Dear Dr. Brown,

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of May 20.

This will confirm my acceptance of your kind invitation to deliver the Chamberlain Lecture on October 20 and 21.

It would help me if you could send me at an early date an outline of what other program commitments you are suggesting for me in connection with my visit to Lewis & Clark College.

With warmest personal good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
National Director  
Interreligious Affairs

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May - Post Letter*



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acceptance*

**Lewis & Clark College**

May 20, 1980

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
National Director  
Interreligious Affairs  
The American Jewish Committee  
165 East 56 Street  
New York, New York 10022

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

I am writing to follow up our exchange of correspondence which began with our invitation to visit the campus for the purpose of giving the Fourth Annual Chamberlain Lecture on October, 1980.

In response to your letter indicating your willingness to accept the invitation, subject to appropriate scheduling, I wrote last January to suggest the dates of October 20 and 21. Realizing how busy you have been since January, I write now simply to request confirmation of our assumption that these dates are convenient and that we can expect the privilege of welcoming you here at that time. We are very honored by your willingness to come and we look forward to your visit.

Cordially,

John E. Brown  
Provost and Dean of Faculty

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**Lewis & Clark College**

January 14, 1980

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
National Director  
Interreligious Affairs  
The American Jewish Committee  
165 East 56 Street  
New York, New York 10022

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

I am writing to thank you for your response to our invitation to give the Fourth Annual Chamberlain Lecture at Lewis and Clark College. We are all very grateful that you are willing to accept this invitation, subject to appropriate scheduling.

After reviewing your schedule and that of the college, may I suggest the dates of October 20 and 21st for your visit here.

I apologize for the delay in my response to your good letter. The college follows a somewhat unusual calendar in that we were not in session between Thanksgiving and January 7th. We returned to campus to be greeted by a massive ice storm which closed the institution again until this morning.

On behalf of my colleagues, I thank you again for your acceptance of this invitation. The college is most honored.

Cordially yours,

John E. Brown  
Provost and Dean of Faculty

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December 10, 1979

Dr. John E. Brown  
Provost and Dean of Faculty  
Lewis & Clark College  
Portland, Oregon 97219

Dear Dr. Brown,

Thank you for your thoughtful letter of November 26th.

I am honored to have your kind invitation to lecture under the sponsorship of the Rev. and Mrs. Mark Chamberlain at your college.

At present, I have the following commitments:

Oct. 8, 1980, Rutgers University;

Oct. 13-16, 2nd National Evangelical-Jewish Conference, Deerfield, Illinois;

Oct. 23-26, American Jewish Committee National Executive Council, Cleveland.

Oct. 2nd and 3rd are the closing days of the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles, Sukkot, and I would be unavailable on those days.

If it is possible to find some days that do not conflict with these I will be more than happy to try to adjust my calendar accordingly.

With warmest personal good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum  
National Director  
Interreligious Affairs

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**Lewis & Clark College**

November 26, 1979

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, Director  
Department of Interreligious Affairs  
American Jewish Community  
165 East 56th Street  
New York, N. Y. 10022

Dear Rabbi Tanenbaum:

I am writing to invite you to Lewis and Clark College for the purpose of giving the fourth annual lecture in the Mark A. Chamberlin Lecture Series.

Lewis and Clark College has received from Rev. and Mrs. Mark A. Chamberlin and others an endowment to sponsor an annual gathering to consider "The Social Imperatives of the Judeo-Christian Faith." The donors are particularly distressed with the plight of the oppressed and underprivileged and hope with these lectures to have distinguished spokespeople enlighten the issues and guide the thinking of the American people toward constructive new programs.

The first lectures in the series were presented in 1977 by Professor Abraham Kaplan, Department of Humanities, California Institute of Technology. The second, in 1978, were presented by Professor Henry Steele Commager of Amherst College. This year's lectures, just concluded, were presented by Rev. William Sloane Coffin of the Riverside Church. We would be honored if you could join us for two days in October of 1980 as the fourth Chamberlin Lecturer.

It would be our expectation that you would give one formal lecture which would be highly publicized and attended by members of both the college and the Portland metropolitan communities. In addition, we wish to arrange for you to meet with students and faculty as well as the Rev. and Mrs. Chamberlin. Your work and values are highly respected in this community and your presence would enable the college to continue the level of excellence already associated with this series.

Provost  
and  
Dean of Faculty

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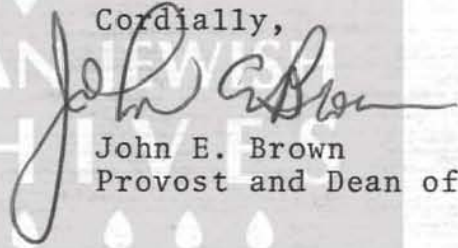
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Your expenses would, of course, be covered and we can offer you an honorarium of \$2,000.

I do hope it will be possible for you to accept this invitation and I will look forward to hearing from you.

Cordially,



John E. Brown  
Provost and Dean of Faculty

