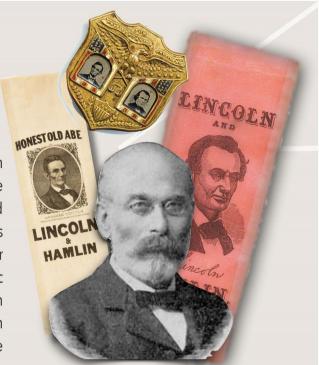


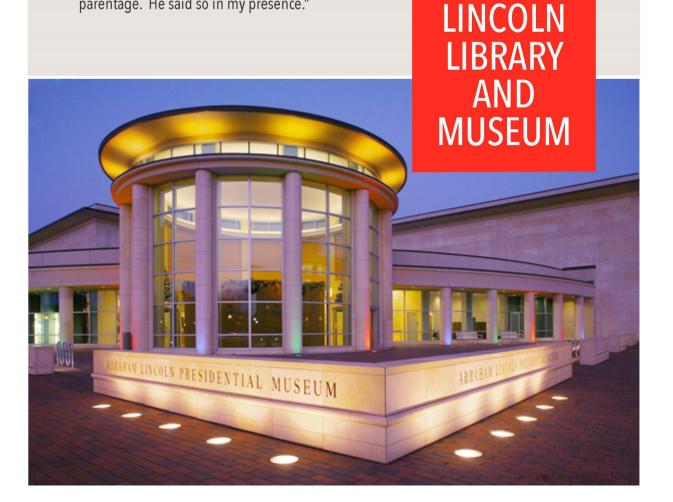
Shapell MANUSCRIPT FOUNDATION

## LINCOLN AND THE JEWS

Lewis Dembitz, who, as a delegate from Kentucky, had voted for Lincoln at the Republican convention of 1860, claimed that Lincoln was sometimes known as "Rabbi Abraham, as if he was on of our nation - of the seed of Israel." Isaac Mayer Wise, who had criticized Lincoln repeatedly while he lived and then characterized him in death as "the greatest man that ever sprung from mortal loins," insisted that Lincoln was fully a Jew, "bone from our bone and flesh from our flesh. He supposed himself to be a descendant of Hebrew parentage. He said so in my presence."



**Lewis Dembitz**The Sage of the South



## JEWISH SPRINGFIELD

Springfield, has a small but historic Jewish community. Temple B'rith Sholom recently celebrated its 150th year of service within the walls of its 100 year old synagogue. With just over 1000 Jewish souls, Governors and community leaders have risen from its ranks. We will tour this historic Temple and share a Sabbath meal with its members.





Learn about Lincoln and the Jews in the cozy comfort of our traveling classroom. We will pass the time on the road sharing stories, historical documents, and lessons on the history of Lincoln's many relationships with famous and infamous Jews from his youth and throughout his career.

By the time we arrive in Springfield, you will be a "Jewish Lincoln Scholar." On our journey home we will have time to share all that we have learned and follow Lincoln's legacy as the first President to develop an electoral strategy to engage Jewish voters through a platform of progressive politics.

And what would become of Lincoln's heir apparent in Republican politics, General Ulysses S. Grant, author of the the now infamous, General Orders No. 11? How might he hold together the Jewish coalition which Lincoln had so carefully built?

## JOURNEY TO SPRINGFIELD

Join Rabbi Joe Rooks Rapport on a journey to the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum in Springfield, Illinois to view a special exhibit on "Lincoln and the Jews" featuring unique documents, artifacts, photographs, and first person accounts which tell the story of Lincoln's meaningful bonds with Jewish individuals, his audacious defiance of anti-Semitic generals, and the interventions he made as president on behalf of all Jews reflecting his deepest values and promoting the value of liberty for all the citizens of the United States.

This unique collection of materials from the Shapell Manuscript Foundation are part of a special exhibit, on loan for just three months, ending with the weekend of our journey, November 13-14, 2015.

## **The Price of Your Journey Includes:**

- Full Experience Tickets to the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum
- With Firmness In The Right: Lincoln and the Jews, special exhibition.
- Lincoln: From History to Hollywood at Union Station, a special exhibit on loan from Steven Speilberg's Dreamworks Studio with sets, costumes, and props from the movie Lincoln.
- A visit to Abraham Lincoln's Tomb in Oakridge Cemetery.
- Hotel Accommodation at one of Springfield's finest hotels, (per person/ double occupancy).
- Sabbath Dinner and Services at Springfield's Historic Reform Congregation, Temple B'rith Sholom.
- Transportation via luxury Toby Tours
   Motorcoach, to and from Springfield, and
   to the sites we visit while we are there.



PRICE FOR OUR JOURNEY: \$180/PERSON

(MEALS AND INCIDENTIAL EXPENCES, NOT INCLUDED)
BASED ON A 25 PERSON MINIMUM ENROLLMENT