



Hadassah Happenings ***January, 2017***

Collier/Lee Chapter, Florida Central

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HADASSAH, THE WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION of AMERICA, INC.

Special Hadassah Meeting **Roz Rosen, Speaker** **Topic: All Things Hadassah** **January 9, 2017, 11 am** **Temple Shalom**

We are excited to announce that Roz Rosen, a rather famous National Member of Hadassah, known for her humor, engaging style and breadth of knowledge about all things Hadassah will be coming to speak to us!

Monday, January 9, 2017 at 11 a.m. at Temple Shalom.

Come hear Roz, come fall in love with Hadassah, come be entertained and enlightened! Ask questions - what do you want to know more about? You will get excited and motivated to do more. We'll serve coffee and nosh too!



RSVP to Karen Cohn at kcohnrdh@gmail.com or call (239) 591-1494.

Let's Show Roz Rosen how Collier/Lee Hadassah Women Feel About Hadassah!
Come, nosh, learn, and get happy!

Time To Order Your Mah Jongg Cards

Deadline January 10

Mah Jongg cards, they come and go,

Time to order now you know,
The Mah Jongg League rewards us well,
For every Mah Jongg card we sell!
Please tell your friends and family, too,
That we will order cards for you.
Large print--\$9 Standard print--\$8



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Gayle Dorio, Co-President

What is important to you? What truly makes you get involved? Of course, it is family first, I think. Then, it is making those you love and care about feel safe, loved and valued. Righting wrongs and doing all we can to help others are ways we express what is important.

Being Hadassah members, doing tikkun olam, living our faith every day is important and these things make us feel that we are making a difference and helping to promote love and well being throughout our country and the world. Israel needs us! And we need Israel! Certainly our country needs us now! We must do more...we must make sure Hadassah speaks out to communicate our values - to insure our safety and protect those we love.

Those of us who can, know that being a Keeper of the Gate, and Major Donor to Hadassah is critical to survival. The lifeblood of this organization is both those who volunteer their time and energy AND provide the funds to enable all the worthwhile projects to continue. Where would we be without Hadassah Medical Organization? Without funding, would we see groundbreaking research that will find cures for so many dreadful diseases? Protection of Israel, embracing Zionism, fighting anti-semitism, upholding the rights of women, advocacy for so many worthwhile causes - all these and more require funds.

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Hadassah Luncheon--Installation of Officers

January 17, 2017

Vineyards Country Club

Registration 10:45-11:15

Meeting 11:15
Lunch 12 noon, \$30 per person
Speaker 1:00 pm -- 2:00 pm
Reservations due January 11, 2017
Menu Changes must be made by January 9

The guest speaker is Dr. Daniel Wasserman, a dermatologist and fellowship trained Mohs surgeon in Naples, Fl. His commitment to the Southwest Florida medical professional community was recognized in 2014 when he was awarded the Top 40 Under 40 Distinction. Melanoma and the research being done in Israel on this disease will be discussed.



[Click here to print the luncheon registration form](#)

Sold Out

Hadassah's Mah Jongg & Card Party

A special **THANK YOU** to Carol Weisberg, who after 10 fabulous years, is retiring from the "Chairwomanship" of this event. We thank you so very much and appreciate all your efforts Carol! A big thank you also to all our members who support this wonderful event, year after year. If you are interested in serving as next year's organizer, please notify one of our co-presidents. Carol will provide a full job description for you.

The Joys and Oys of Yiddish



Collier/Lee Hadassah presented the joys and oys of Yiddish on Tuesday, December 6th. Riva Ginsburg, a Yiddish expert, shared an informative and entertaining program on the Yiddish language. One hundred sixty attendees were mesmerized as they related to the talk, some having memories of Yiddish spoken in their homes as children. Iris Shur and Sandy Levine were the co-chairs of this mini fundraiser. The event was underwritten by Debbie and Jeff Waranch.

Dates to Remember

January 9, Monday

Roz Rozen, Temple Shalom, 11 am

January 17, Tuesday

Luncheon, Vineyards Country Club

February 2, Thursday

Kosher Comedy Tour

February 12, Sunday

New Member Brunch

February 19, Sunday

Fundraiser at Charming Charlies

[Click here to print 2017 Calendar](#)

Annual Recognition of Major Donors and Keepers of the Gate



Front: Ida Margolis, Ruth Barber, Carole Yellin, Nancy Wiadro, Karen Cohn, Dr. Rachel Schonberger

Behind: Gayle Dorio, Dr. Karen Ezrine, Rhonda Brazina, Lynn Weiner, Ellen Harris

Our 17th Annual Recognition of Major Donors and Keepers of the Gate, on December 18th, exceeded expectations. Thank you to Carole Yellin, Arrangements Chair, and our committee.

Guest Speaker, Dr. Rachel Schonberger, Chair of Hadassah Medical Organization, brought keen insights into the complexity and challenges of Hadassah's hospitals in Jerusalem and beyond. The global scope of Hadassah's outreach would have stunned Henrietta Szold. During the week of December 5th, hundreds of physicians attended a Stem Cell Symposium in Ft. Lauderdale. Two Hadassah physicians were among the esteemed presenters. Over 35 worldwide medical schools and research centers collaborate with Hadassah research physicians.

Following warm greetings from co-presidents, Karen Cohn and Gayle Dorio, a touching video called "Malia's Story" was shown. Malia Litman, mother of 3 and diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis, was deteriorating. By sheer chance, she qualified to be a stem cell patient of Dr. Dimitri Karussis and is showing marked

improvement. The research and treatment of diseases like Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's, Melanoma, Heart Disease and ALS are some of the diseases highlighted in our current campaign, Research In Service to Humanity. We learned that we must complete the last floors of the Sarah Wetsman Davidson Hospital Tower this year. Many stepped up to the \$1 Million Matching Tower Challenge. The challenge match ends Dec. 31 and donations can be any amount.

Keepers Chair, Ellen Harris, welcomed new Keepers, **Frances Kline Malone, Maureen Lerner and Pearl Wiadro Lourie**. Our chapter is blessed with 67 annual Keepers of the Gate. Call Ellen Harris to see how you could be #68+ At this writing, we are proud to announce **\$112,000 in gifts and pledges!** Look for more photos and information in the February issue of Happenings.

For information, please contact:

Nancy Wiadro, Gifts over \$5000, 239-269-3666 or e-mail

nwiadro@hadassah.org

Ellen Harris, Keepers Chair, 508-395-5116, e-mail: jheh@comcast.net

Hadassah Florida Central Region

Congratulations! Collier/Lee Chapter Received Two Certificates of Achievement!

Reaching the chapter's membership goal in 2015
Achieving the Tower goal in 2015



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SAVE THE DATE!
FEBRUARY 2, 2017
BENEFITING THE
COLLIER/LEE CHAPTER OF HADASSAH
KOSHER COMEDY TOUR
"LAUGHING FROM RIGHT TO LEFT"

In the tradition of "Catskills on Broadway," this exciting multimedia comedy show stars three top-notch Jewish comedians
PETER FOGEL • STU MOSS • MARLYN SANCHEZ

"Right from the start, they were hysterical. The energy from the crowd was overwhelming."
— Atlantic City Monthly

"They combine humor with the truth. The results are both refreshing and uniquely creative."
— New York Post

Event at Temple Shalom, Naples • For information contact
Elissa Goldstein at 239-455-2004 or feb22017@gmail.com

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[Click here to see the Perpetual Yahrzeit program](#)

Membership Report

It is the beginning of a new year and we will strive to meet our annual membership goal of 100% but we need your help. Please send names of prospective members to Donna Goldblatt so we can invite them to our New, Transfer, and Prospective Member Brunch to be held on February 12th at the home of Donna Goldblatt. Invitations will be sent out. If you are interested in attending contact Donna Goldblatt (mom443@aol.com) or Carol Hirsch (chirsch1951@gmail.com). Remember if you wish to become a Life Member or upgrade to Life Membership, do it before the end of the year when the price will increase from \$212 to \$250.

Transfer Members: Jacqueline Sherman, Hilda Levine

Upgrade to Life--Lesley Jarbe, Rita Greenberg, Cathy Katsnelson, Suzanne Herman

Hadassah Chanukah Candle Lighting Ceremony For Research In Service To Humanity

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American Zionist Affairs by Jeff Margolis

Treating spinal cord injuries (SCI) whether from automobile accidents, athletic injuries or combat related wounds, has always been a difficult task for medical practitioners. But things are about to change in Israel. The Hadassah Medical Organization recently announced that it is teaming up with the Rick Hansen Institute, a Canadian based not-for profit organization, to explore new discoveries and improve treatment for people with spinal cord injuries.

Dr. Eyal Itshayek, Director of Spinal Neurosurgery at Hadassah, is leading the study in Israel. His associates will be collecting data regarding patient injuries, levels of paralysis, recovery, the success of various treatments, and the impact of spinal cord injuries on a patient's quality of life.

The Rick Hansen Institute is located at the Blousson Spinal Cord Center in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada and was established in 2008 by Rick Hansen who raised awareness of spinal cord injuries by traveling by wheelchair over 40,000KM. His ultimate goal is to determine the best practices and develop new ones for treating patients with spinal cord injuries. It is hoped that this new partnership will result in sharing of research and knowledge to be able to offer

patients the most optimal care possible.



January Hadassah Study Group January 16, 2017



Marti Gross has offered her hospitality for our Study Group Monday, January 16th. We'll meet at Marti's by 1PM. If you aren't going to lunch, it would be helpful to get to Marti's early to help her set up.

The group meets for lunch at First Watch on Pine Ridge, Monday, January 16 at 11:30 for lunch. At 1PM, we'll meet at Marti's home for a discussion of Chapter 23, of Jews, God and History by Max Dimont. Join us for interesting, lively dialogue. Thank you Marti!

Marti Gross's address---140 Spring Lake Circle, Naples, 34119

Phone--348-8542

[Click here to print directions to Marti's house](#)

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call Arlene at 239-455-1912.

Israel Advocacy Committee

of the Jewish Federation of Collier County
invites you to watch

"How a Small Nation Makes a Big Difference"

This movie hosted by former Harvard lecturer Dr. Tal Ben-Shahar examines the core character strengths of the country that have made this dream possible

Sunday, January 8, 2017

Beth Tikvah Congregation at 7:00 pm
1459 Pine Ridge Road, phone 434-1818

[Click here to print the invitation and details](#)

Tributes and Gifts

In support of the extraordinary work of Hadassah, we sincerely appreciate the following contributions

To: Donna Brooker & family	In memory of your mother, Rosalind Poll Brooker	From: Nicole & Robert Williams
To: Mr. & Mrs. John French	In memory of Scott Michael MacBlane	From: Judith & Andrew Wolff
To: Stan Joffe	Mazel tov on your 75th birthday	From: Sharon & Dennis Saacks
To: Susan Pittelman	In honor of your birthday	From: Karen & Marty Cohn
To: Collen Stern	In honor of your special birthday	From: Sharon & Dennis Saacks
To: Felicia & Collen Stern	Mazel Tov on your 45th Anniversary	From: Sharon & Dennis Saacks
To: Eric Popky	Condolences on the loss of your father, Joseph	From: Sharon & Dennis Saacks
To wish them a "Happy Chanukah",	Sandy & Rabbi Sylvin Wolf sent a tree to their 14 grandchildren	Kate Lewis, Chloe Furfine, Corinne Furfine, Camille Furfine, Grace Furfine, Jacob Furfine, Sophia Fulrfine, Marcus Lustig, Eve Lustig, Julian Albright, Sasha Albright, Sydney Wolf, Hayden Wolf, Captain Jason Lewis

In Our Family

Wishing a Speedy Recovery
Charlotte Foreman

Congratulations

To: Miles Ury, grandson of Roberta & Bob Ury for being designated a National Merit Scholar winner

To: Gayle and Marty Dorio on the bar mitzvah of their first grandson, Isaac Dorio
To: Lee Henson, on the birth of her granddaughter

Condolences

To: Beth Gillman on the loss of her husband, Dr. Greg Gillman

To: The family of our member Rose Mass

Hadassah Mission Statement

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We have discontinued sending the printed version of the Hadassah Happenings. We are hoping that everyone understands that the costs of printing and postage are exorbitant. We thank you for understanding - for those for whom this is a problem, please contact Karen Cohn at 239-591-1494 or kcohrdh@gmail.com

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