



***Hadassah Happenings
Newsletter
March, 2018***

Collier/Lee Chapter, Florida Central

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Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc.

Dates to Remember

Thursday, March 8, 2018

Spring Luncheon 10:45 am, The Club at Olde Cypress

Monday, April 9, 2018

Jewish Book Fest, 2:30 pm, Beth Tikvah, Author Abigail Pogrebin

On Sunday, February 25th, many of us met at the Naples Hilton for a fabulous buffet brunch celebrating Israel's 70th birthday. As chair of the event, I would like to thank all of those who worked so diligently in planning this event. Your work was well appreciated, and successful!

We began by participating in a silent auction where items ranged from a gourmet dinner offered by Nancy Wiadro and a hand knit dress by Luba Rotsztain, to Arlene Levin's cookbook and cheesecake. Bidding was plentiful for the



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dinner (soup to nuts) offered by Cibao Grill and two pineapples donated by Helen Blinder. All too soon, all the items found their bids, and we moved into the brunch itself.

The Hilton outdid themselves in creating a brunch with an Israeli flair. Scrambled eggs, lox, bagels, chopped salad and more, delicious and plentiful!

Rhonda Brazina was our emcee of the day, and she did a fabulous job in keeping the morning flowing, enlightening us with delightful tidbits about Hadassah and Israel (did you know that Mother's Day in Israel is celebrated on Henrietta

Szold's birthday?). She introduced our entertainers, The Shalom Dancers from Ft. Myers, who demonstrated several Israeli folk dances before inviting us to join them. What fun!

Then, we heard a message from the Consul General of Israel Mr. Lior Haiat. His message told of the strong meaning that Israel holds for the entire world as it celebrates its 70th birthday.

To add to the celebration there was the joyful music created by Cantor Azu and Jane Galler. Their voices blended to create songs of love for Israel that culminated in all of us singing "Hatikva".

Then, birthday cake and ice cream was enjoyed while Nancy Wiadro reminded us of the amazing work of Hadassah in Israel. She pulled the winning drawing (donated by the Hilton), for a two night stay plus dinner at Shula's Restaurant. What a great way to end our event!

Do look for photos in "The Federation Star" and "The Happenings", and you can see how much we all enjoyed our time together.

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Shelley Skelton and Lynn Weiner



The Shalom Dance



Nancy Wiadro announcing the drawing winner



Beautiful Table Setting for the event

Presidential Team--A Little Bit of This Lynn Weiner



Join new and old friends at our March 8 Spring Luncheon (registration at 10:45 am) at the Club at Olde Cypress in North Naples. Our speaker, Patti Badiner, will be talking about the principles of Mindful Eating. To RSVP: Contact Carol Finn at (708) 289-5181 as soon as possible.

On February 25, our Chapter celebrated Israel's 70th Birthday with a fabulous to benefit the Hadassah Medical Organization and the work of Hadassah

Thank you to our Fundraising Vice President and Chair of the Day, Lee Henson, and her committee for a fun and entertaining event!

We also had a wonderful party to benefit Hadassah Medical Organization and the work of Hadassah. We had a very successful Mahj and Card Party on February 12 at Cypress Woods Golf and Country Club. 138 women played Mahj, Bridge and Canasta and had a delicious buffet lunch. Thanks to Chair Iris Shur and her team of volunteers. Thanks to Carol Weisberg for coordinating the tables, Shelley Skelton who was in charge of the drawing and everyone else who worked on this event. Proceeds go to Hadassah Medical Organization and the work of Hadassah.

This year we will continue to "Celebrate 2018" in honor of the 100th anniversary of Hadassah Medical Organization, the 100th anniversary of the Henrietta Szold-Hebrew University School of Nursing and the 100th anniversary of the Hadassah Department of Ophthalmology. Watch for events, information and activities that focus on these anniversaries!

Hadassah is also celebrating with "From Passion to Action: Hadassah Women's Health and Advocacy Conference" from May 15th to 17th in Washington, DC. This Conference will take the place of Hadassah's Convention. The Conference will include a Women's Health and Technology panel with health and technology experts and influentials at the National Press Club, the Women's Health Empowerment Summit with over 20 coalition partners, a Chai Tea with Israeli Ambassador, Ron Dermer, A Touch of Red Gala: a special celebration of Hadassah Medical Organization's accomplishments and Day on the Hill, an opportunity to meet with members of Congress. The early bird rate is available until March 16. If you register with a family member, your family member will get a \$200 discount. For more information e-mail: celebration2018@hadassah.org or go to Hadassah's website at www.hadassah.org. Join us in Washington, DC!

As part of Celebrate 2018, National Hadassah is planning "From Dream to Innovation" Hadassah Milestone Mission from October 7th to 15th. This amazing mission to Israel includes a reception at the Ha'aretz Museum, a visit to a Naval Base in Haifa, a visit to historic Atlit, a Learn-a-Thon with speakers on Jewish studies, politics and Israeli culture, a VIP tour of Hadassah Medical Organization, a march in the footsteps of our nurses in the streets of Jerusalem, tours of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv and much more. There will also be a special nurse's track. This Mission is open to everyone. For information contact Ayelet Tours at www.ayelet.com or (800) 237-1517.

This year Hadassah is starting a new campaign to renovate the round building at Hadassah Hospital at Ein Kerem in Jerusalem. You will be hearing more about the "360 Degrees of Healing-Full Circle Campaign" throughout the year.

Locally, I invite you to join our Daytime Study Group, come to one of our Book Clubs or start a new one, be a part of our Evening Activity Group and attend the Jewish Book Festival Event on Monday, April 9th from 2:30 to 4:15 at Beth Tikvah with author Abigail Pogrebin.

Lynn Weiner
See you at Hadassah!
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Nominating Committee Update/ Election of Nominating Committee Chair and Members

I am pleased to announce that the Nominating Committee has nominated Helen Blinder as our Hadassah Chapter Treasurer and the Hadassah Executive Board has approved her nomination. She will be voted on at the Hadassah Spring Luncheon on March 8 at The Club at Olde Cypress.

We are now looking for someone to be Helen's local assistant while she is at her northern address from April to October. The assistant would be responsible to collect and deposit checks, pick up mail from our UPS Store mailbox at Crossroads Shopping Center near the Vineyards, pay bills, communicate with Helen, etc. Helen would keep the books and enter data in Quicken. If you are interested in this position or know someone who would be a good candidate, please contact Lynn Weiner at (239) 598-1009 or lynninaples@yahoo.com.

It's that time again to elect the Nominating Committee! We will be voting on the Nominating

Committee Chair and Nominating Committee Members at the March 8 Spring Luncheon. The

Nominating Committee will put together the 2019 Slate of Officers. We will need a Chair of the committee as well as 3 members from the Hadassah Board, 3 members from the General Membership and an alternate from both the Board and the General Membership. The Committee will meet several times and communicate by e-mail in order to have the 2019 Slate of Officers ready to present at the October 2018 Opening Luncheon.

If you would be interested in either chairing or serving on the Nominating Committee or know someone you would like to nominate, please contact Lynn.

2018 Collier/Lee Chapter of Hadassah Slate of Officers

Presidential Team: Shelley Skelton and Lynn Weiner

Immediate Past Presidents: Karen Cohn and Gayle Dorio

Treasurer: Helen Blinder

Membership Co-Vice Presidents: Maxine Brenner, Donna Goldblatt, Carol Hirsch

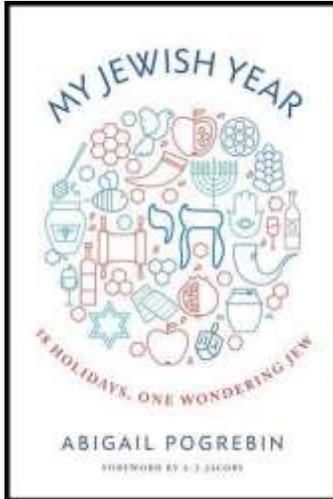
Program Vice President: Carol Finn

Education Vice President: Elyse Morande

Recording Secretary: Leda Lubin

Corresponding Secretary: Iris Shur
Fundraising Vice President: Lee Henson
Records Administrator: Rona Senior

Hadassah Sponsored Jewish Book Festival Event Monday, April 9



Collier/Lee Chapter of Hadassah will be sponsoring the Jewish Book Festival event on Monday, April 9 from 2:30 to 4:15 at Beth Tikvah. Ticket cost is \$15/\$20 at the door. The author will be Abigail Pogrebin who wrote the book "My Jewish Year". She did research on traditions, holidays and festivals in the Jewish calendar. "Abigail's journey will leave you educated, charmed and inspired." Abigail is a former producer for 60 minutes and she moderates her own interview series at the JCC Manhattan. For more information and to buy tickets go to www.jewishbookfestival.org or (239) 263-3813.

Day in the District

In response to our National President Ellen Hershkin's, "Call to Action" Nancy Wiadro, Leda Lubin and I arranged a "Day in the District" meeting with US Representative Francis Rooney (FL. 19) on February 22, 2018. Congressman Rooney was not aware of Hadassah. During our time with him we shared information about Hadassah Medical Organization and gave him an overview of our organization, such as how we advocate for women's health, gender equity in medicine and victims of human trafficking. We also asked him his opinion concerning the Parkland shooting since Hadassah supports policies to stop school violence. He said he was not willing to throw out the second amendment, and that there is a need to enhance background checks to prevent individuals with mental health problems from obtaining a gun. He is in favor of increasing the age limit to 21 for buying all guns and that 'bump stock' attachments should be banned. At the end of our allotted time, Congressman Rooney indicated that he was going to read the pamphlets we gave him and also check Hadassah.org. He also will be invited by Nancy to attend Hadassah's Woman's Health Summit May 16th to be held in Washington.



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Representative
Francis
Rooney

Elyse Morande
Vice-President of Education

Membership Report

As of 2/13/18 we have 916 members in our chapter. New membership goals have not been set.

Hadassah Perpetual Yahrzeit Program

[Click here to read the details](#)

Evening Activity Group

The Evening Activity Group events are open to everyone. We usually meet either at one of our members' homes, or at a different venue, depending on the activity.

Our activities have included guest speakers, potluck dinners and art projects, along with our annual Chanukah Pot Luck Dinner, Shabbat Under the Stars, and specialty events at restaurants, to name just a few. We provide a casual, fun way to meet Hadassah members and learn more about Hadassah. There is limited space for each activity, so be sure to RSVP early when an event is announced. We do have a



cancellation/wait list.

If you would like your name to be placed on the Evening Activity Group e-mail list, or for further information, please contact Lauren Becker, 239-592-5304.

March Study Group March 19, 2018

Monday, March 19th, we will continue our study of the excellent book ***Making David into Goliath: How the World Turned Against Israel***, by Joshua Muravchik. It's considered an important read by our group. We will meet in the Temple Shalom library at 1pm to discuss Chapters 4 through 6.



Our afternoon starts with an informal lunch at First Watch at the corner of Livingston and Pine Ridge at 11:30 am.

RSVP before Sunday March 18th by email at arlene2001@embarqmail.com or at 455-1912.

Tributes and Gifts

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

contributions

To: Barry & Mary Cohen
In memory of his beloved father, Jerome Cohen
From: Gayle Dorio

To: Charlotte & Jay Foreman
In memory of Rae & Alvin Foreman
From: Gayle & Marty Dorio
Frances & Robert Nossen
Marian & Ronald Rossman
Diane & Hank Schwartz
Shelley & Ben Skelton
Neil Sklaroff

To: Phyllis Frank & family
In memory of Jerry Frank, beloved husband, father and grandfather
From: Paula & Herman Berzon
Abner Berzon

To: Henry Kraus
In memory of your beloved wife, Shirley
From: Marilyn Chandler
Denise Rubin

To: Mrs. Frances Lester & family
In memory of Robert Lewis Lester, beloved husband and father
From: Paula & Herman Berzon

To: Ava Wiadro
In honor of Tu B'shevat
From: Nanna & Papa Wiadro

To: Samuel Wiadro
In honor of Tu B'shevat
From: Nanna & Papa Wiadro

Hadassah Movie Mania

Email: Hadassahmoviemania@Comcast.net

to be added to the movie mania mailing list. The fourth Sunday afternoon of the month is the new time for movie mania. Our next movie and dine out will be Sunday March 24, 2018 The movie, time, and restaurant will be chosen closer to the date.



For birthdays, anniversaries, sympathy or any other occasion, we have cards, trees, and certificates. A certificate will be sent on your behalf. A tree certificate is \$18. Send a copy of the email with your check in the appropriate amount to Mimi's address (990 Fountain Run, Naples, FL 34119). Include how you want the

certificate to be signed and the address to which it should be mailed.

Call Mimi Cohn 455-9527, BuzzCohn@aol.com or Paula Berzon 592-9278,
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In Our Family

Congratulations

Nancy and Jack Wiadro on the Bar Mitzvah of their great nephew, Max Israel

Continued Recovery

Elissa Goldstein
Carol Weisberg
Estelle Silver

Hadassah Mission Statement
[click here to read](#)

[Click here for Hadassah Board Members 2018 Directory](#)

We are collecting non-perishable food items, paper goods, and toiletries for the food pantry at Jewish Family and Community Services. Please bring items to all board meetings and luncheons. There is always a great need to replenish the JFCS food pantry.

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