



HADASSAH

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April 6, 2016

Dear Chaverim,

“We must become the change we seek in the world”. (Ghandi)

We are obligated to leave this world a better place and not say, “Someone else will do it. It is not my job.”

Yes, it is our job - the job of each and every one of us. No matter how small the task may be.

We are accountable as Jewish women to participate and perform acts of T'zedakah and Tikkun Olam here in the United States, in Israel and around the world for the sake of our children, our grandchildren and future generations.

Hadassah provides the opportunities and programs so that each of us can make a difference. Thank you for joining me in this important work.



St. Petersburg Chapter

Join us to meet fellow members in your neighborhood and to learn about the latest happenings in Hadassah.

Tuesday April 12th at Denise Kirschbaum's home in Largo
6:30 PM or Wednesday, April 13th at the Sage in downtown
St. Petersburg 6:30 PM

RSVP for either one to Rhoda Ross at 727-548-5405
or email: rhodagr63@yahoo.com

NO CHARGE

Come schmooze and enjoy lite desserts with great company!
Members are encouraged to bring a friend.

UPCOMING TAMPA BAY COMMUNITY EVENT

18th (Chai) Annual

Women's Community Seder

Celebrating Women's Life Cycle

WHEN: Tuesday, April 5, 2016, 6:30 PM

WHERE: Congregation Beth Shalom,
1325 S. Belcher Rd., Clearwater

COST: \$26 per person before March 15 and \$30 after.

Early registration is recommended, as there is usually a capacity crowd.

For making reservations, make checks payable to: **Community Women's Seder** and send to Congregation Beth Shalom, 1325 S. Belcher Road, Clearwater, 33764 Make sure to include your name, phone number, home, e-mail address and names of your additional guests.

CONTACT: Cyndi Silverman, 813-244-6484, hcsfl@tampabay.rr.com

The Women's Seder is sponsored by the Lylah, North Pinellas and St. Petersburg chapters of Hadassah, Jewish Women International, and the Sisterhoods of Beth Shalom, Temple B'nai Israel, Temple Ahavat Shalom and Congregation B'nai Israel in St. Petersburg. Lynn's Catering and Menorah Manor also sponsor this event.

Collier/Lee Chapter Thursday, April 14th, at 6:30 PM - Our Third Travelogue/Photo Tour and Dinner, hosted by our very own world traveler, incredible photographer and lecturer, Dori Wexelbaum! The adventure will cover their travels to Australia, the Great Barrier Reef, Bali and Malaysia. Come join us for a wonderful photo tour and pot luck dinner. Get out your international cookbooks and see what delicious dish you can make for your fellow members.

Orlando Chapter



The Orlando Chapter of Hadassah recently held the Bunny Rosen Women's Heart Health Fashion Show Luncheon at the Alford Inn in Winter Park. Once again this annual event proved to be a great success, both as a fundraiser and as an enjoyable afternoon with genial company, excellent food and a beautiful venue. This event contributes charitable funds to promote heart health awareness, training and information to women in the greater Orlando area. The chapter also provides funds for research to unravel the mysteries of heart disease through the Hadassah Medical Originations (HMO) Heart Institute in Jerusalem.

Suggestion for a book and author event.

Lynda Lippman-Lockhart

After participating as a guest speaker for the Tampa chapter of Hadassah, I found I had a receptive audience for my historical fiction novel ***The Laundry Room***. My book takes place in

1940's war torn Palestine. A group of forty-five young Israeli scouts are asked by what eventually becomes the Haganah to participate in a clandestine operation. Many of the youngsters are survivors of the Holocaust. Their courage and actions help establish the state of Israel. The Ayalon Institute has become a museum as tribute to these heroic, young people. This is their story. Please visit my web site: lyndalippmanlockart.com. I am also on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Lynda-Lippman-Lockhart-Author/889676621107492?ref=hl>

I am available for meetings and special events. My books are available through me, Barnes & Noble, Amazon, and Haslam's book Store. My email address is roblyn6730@gmail.com My phone number is 727 433-0953



It's that time again! Chapters should all have nominating committees in place. They can work over the summer to put together a slate of officers to be voted on in October and no later than the end November.



Israel Ministry of Health Survey Rates Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem Emergency Room #1 in Patient Satisfaction

Survey of Over 10,000 ER Patients in 26 Hospitals Conducted Over 4 Months

April 1, 2016 NEW YORK— Hadassah Hospital Ein Kerem Emergency Room in Jerusalem has been rated #1 with a 63% for patient satisfaction, according to a Ministry of Health survey, announced Ellen Hershkin, National President, Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, Inc. (HWZOA). The national survey of over 10,000 ER patients was conducted from May-August, 2015 and asked respondents about the level of satisfaction they had with the ER services received. Twenty-six Israeli hospitals, divided into categories (major/medium/small), were evaluated. Hadassah Ein Kerem's 63% satisfaction rate led the major hospital category, followed by: Sheba Hospital (55.3%); Ichalov Hospital (55.1%); Rambam Hospital (49.4%); Soroka Hospital (47.4%). The Israel Ministry of Health patient satisfaction survey will now be conducted bi-annually.



HMO and Hebrew U Students Invent Device

to Save Terror Victims: At a time when waves of stabbings are rampant throughout Israel and many victims are experiencing life-threatening chest trauma, the BioDesign: Medical Innovation team of the Hadassah Medical Center and Hebrew University have invented a device that shortens the procedure time of inserting a life-saving chest tube from about 15 minutes to less than 30 seconds. See full story at myhadassah.org



FORM YOUR CHAPTER WALKING GROUPS NOW! Use this group to engage younger women who are more interested in exercise, while also including older women. The walking group provides an opportunity for your active members to engage and bring in less involved members and non-members. When people walk together, they often find new people to talk with and find common interests that may not come out during a chapter meeting or luncheon.

The region that enrolls the largest proportion of its membership will receive a \$1,000 reward! This will be tallied based on all members of your Region **enrolled by the end of April 18th.**



So far, Florida Central has 15 people signed up, lets all get behind this and take our region to victory!!!

For help with registration or walker tracker page, contact: Eliana at health@hadassah.org.



“If we are Zionists ... what is the good of meeting and talking and drinking tea? Let us do something real and practical—let us organize the Jewish women of America ...” - Henrietta Szold

Sign up for email Advocacy Alerts to keep apprised of issues that matter. Join our 50 State Advocacy Network and effect change in your community and nationwide. Make your voice

heard. Contact Congress and other elected officials. Find your legislators on www.hadassah.org/advocacy



Celebrate your mother—or daughter, grandmother, sister or aunt—with a personalized limited-edition Mother's Day Card this year.

For a donation of \$36, the elegant, personalized card will be sent to your designated recipient. Your contribution, made in her honor, will fund lifesaving lung cancer treatment and research at Hadassah Medical Organization.

You also have an opportunity to send Hadassah's new, sterling silver, "Endless Beginnings" with cubic zirconia stones around the perimeter for an additional \$150* gift.

It is a gift of love, and a gift of life.

[Send Your Hadassah Mother's Day Card and Gift](#)

[DONATE TODAY](#)

Orders must be received by Wednesday, April 27, 2016.

Donate online hadassah.org/mothersday today. You can also order by phone at 800.928.0685. *\$50 is the fair market value of the necklace.

Turn Your Generosity into a Lifetime of Payments for You or a Loved One: A charitable gift annuity is a popular way to make a gift to Hadassah and enjoy payments for yourself at the same time. You make a gift of cash or securities of \$5,000 or more and will receive a fixed amount quarterly for the rest of your life. The payout rate is fixed when you establish the annuity and remains the same for your lifetime. After your lifetime, the remainder of the annuity is used by Hadassah to support its lifesaving mission. If you yourself do not need the funds, you may establish an annuity as a gift for one or two important people in your life. If you do not need the money today, but are planning ahead for your retirement years, consider a deferred charitable gift annuity. You establish the gift annuity now and elect to start receiving payments at least one year in the future (so long as you are at least 60 years old when the payments start). You can also establish a deferred gift annuity to benefit a loved one. The longer the deferral period, the higher the payout rate and the larger the charitable deduction.

A charitable gift annuity with Hadassah... will provide you and/or a loved one with fixed payments that are partially tax-free for your life expectancy (or combined life expectancies), regardless of market conditions:

- may allow you to claim a federal income tax charitable deduction on a portion of your gift in the year you establish the annuity
- may allow you to reduce your capital gains tax liability if you establish the annuity with appreciated securities
- will help to secure Hadassah's future, and your own

Contact jwilson@hadassah.org for more information

LIGHT A CANDLE

Light a candle,
drink wine.

Softly the Sabbath has plucked

the sinking sun.
Slowly the Sabbath descends,
the rose of heaven in her hand
How can the Sabbath
plant a huge and shining flower
in a blind and narrow heart?
How can the Sabbath
plant the bud of angels
in a heart of raving flesh?
Can the rose of immortality grow?
in a generation enslaved
to destruction, a generation enslaved
to death?
Light a candle!
Drink wine!
Slowly the Sabbath descends
and in her hand the flower,
and in her hand
the sinking sun

Shabbat Shalom,

Susan

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