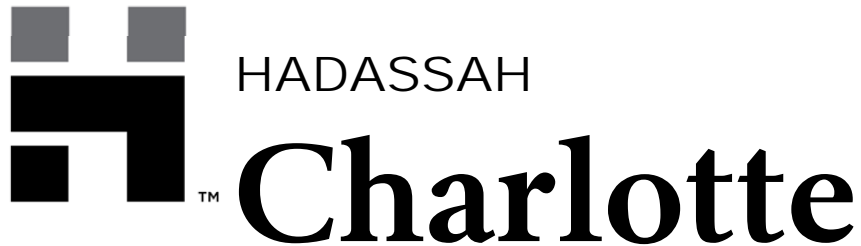


Members: Please check out our new LOGO!



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Regional website: www.hadassah.org/southernseaboard

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



President's Message

Dear members,

One of Henrietta Szold's key notions was to meet a people's need through a people's own effort. The Charlotte Chapter has taken these words not only truly to heart but has shown its dedication on so many occasions.

Our success is based upon your commitment to Hadassah. I am inspired and humbled by your philanthropy, by your efforts and actions participating in any of our countless activities.

Due to YOU we continue to deliver cutting edge medicine and care in our hospitals. It is YOU, my friends, who are advocating, bringing a stop to human trafficking and violence against women and children. It is YOU who ensure Jewish cultural continuity through education, Zionist youth programs, health care promotions, and personal enrichment and growth of its members.

There is no limit to what we can contribute together.

Hadassah was the name of Queen Esther, who was not afraid to live among non-Jews. She showed an example of how a Jew must be proud of his or her heritage, and to live everyday life in the same direction, with happiness and much success.

Like Henrietta, we all have a vision, a personal story to tell. Together we can help repair the world. Tikkun Olam is a huge part of my life and I know it also is part of yours.

Please join me and thank Patricia Johnson for her outstanding leadership during the past two years and welcome the newly installed board.

I hope and wish that in the coming years you and I can build lifelong relationships. Never underestimate the power of women. Together we can make an impact and inspire not just each other but a whole new generation of young women.

B'Shalom,

Sandra Goldman

President, Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah



Mazel Tov to our newly elected 2015 Hadassah Executive Board of Officers:

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| • Programming Co-Vice President: Lynda White | jwassoc@sprynet.com | 704-541-8317 |
| • Immediate Past President: Patricia Johnson | pjhollywood@msn.com | 704-844-8624 |

Installation evening was a lovely wine and cheese event at the Lerner Center. Guests were able to munch on delicious cheese and fruit while socializing and admiring the beautiful TaTas artwork on display. Patricia Johnson presented awards to some of our members and friends in the community for their support and extraordinary work and tireless effort for Hadassah. Hadassah Centennial Path Donor Awards were presented to Dr. Daniel & Janice Bernstein, Ivan & Roz Cooper and Drs. Michael & Heidi Rotberg. The Crown of Hadassah Award was given to Talia Goldman for her amazing achievements for the Celebrate the TaTas fundraising events. Sandra Goldman was awarded a Merit Award for



her great efforts as co-chair of Celebrate the TaTas. The Hadassah "Men"sch Awards went to: Phil Berman, Tim Chu & Ted Johnson for their work on Celebrate the TaTas and Phil Berman, Ben Schwartz & Rick Willensik for their work on the Charlotte Jewish Film Festival. Patricia also gave some Friends of Hadassah Service Awards to Geneva Boxer, Karen Maniloff & Elsa Safir for their continued support on All Hadassah Programs. Barbara Abrams, Ellie Bantit, Cathy Bogus Alicia Cooper, Talli Dippold, Mary Gordan, Sandy Hoagland, Sari Hochberg, Judy Kaufmann, Barbara Kern, Nancy Kerstein, Penny Krieger, Ruth Richardson, Debby Rosenberger & Lynda White all received Hadassah Service Awards.



Mazel Tov Hadas!

Charlotte Hadassah has a special award to thank special volunteers for their time and effort. **The**

Rosalie Citron

Ashendorf Award honors past presidents for their extraordinary dedication and service. The award is named in memory of Rosalie Ashendorf, a beloved leader and mentor to many women that are now leaders in the chapter. Appropriately, Rosalie's daughter, Deanne Ashendorf Boxer received the first award. Past recipients of this coveted award are Deena Boxer, Gail Green, Berta Kaplan, Audrey Madans, Elizabeth Klein, Marsha Smith, Ruth Richardson, Lynda White, Roz Cooper, Ellie Bantit, Debbie Rosenberger, Janice Bernstein, Judy Kaufmann and Heidi Rotberg.



Heidi Rotberg, as immediate past winner, gave the **Rosalie Citron Ashendorf Service**

Award to Hadas Kasher, for her continued participation and leadership on the Board as a past President. A committee comprised of past award recipients meets and chooses this very special, deserving person for this award which is not given every year.

Membership

Our Most Precious Asset

Please encourage your friends to attend our activities and join our chapter. If they are Life Members elsewhere, they need to make a request in order to be transferred to Charlotte.

The newest members of the Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah to commit to Life Membership are Ami Filner and Judy Schindler.

We are pleased to welcome the following members new to the Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah: Jennifer Golynsky, Leona Karp, Fran Levin, Beverly Moseman, Beverly Rosenfeld, Barbara Rozenberg, Lenore Rubin and Frieda Schwartz.



Our Monthly Mitzvah

80 hearty meals were prepared on October 14 by the grace of Barbara Abrams, Sharon Cavanaugh, Gladys Cherny, Lynne Cojac, Milly Corday, Aleen Epstein, Sandy Hoagland, Judy Kaufmann, Penny

Krieger, Andy McCleary, Sharel Persin, Phyllis Romaine, Roz Snyder, Joyce Stoll and Nancy Tarbis. We even welcomed a new member and new "preppie" (Gladys) into the fold.

Our generous, 5 dozen plus Thanksgiving meals were prepared with the help of Barbara Abrams, Susan Aizenman, Phyllis Berlin, Sharon Cavanaugh, Gladys Cherny, Amy Choffin, Rachel Choffin, Aleen Epstein, Gloria Feibus, Ellen Fligel, June Hirschmann, Sandy Hoagland, Judy Kaufmann, Penny Krieger, Andy McCleary, Judy Morganstein, Fran Schuler, Joyce Stoll and Nancy Tarbis. Those receiving the meals enjoyed turkey, roast chicken, brisket, sweet potatoes, roast potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce, vegetables, rolls and homemade pumpkin tarts & cookies.

Please JOIN US for our upcoming cooking parties. It is deeply appreciated, we have lots of fun and this *really* makes you feel good about what you are doing. Please call Penny if you would like to join us for the first time.

Upcoming Meal Prep Dates for JFS

Tuesday, January 6, 10 am

Home of Penny Krieger
12030 Summerberry Court
704-542-9402

February

Sun City Circle

Don't like to cook? You can still help by offering your kitchen for a future meal prep, donating food or supplies, assisting in the packaging and labeling of meals or delivering the meals to JFS.

GOING GREEN IN ANOTHER WAY

If there are duplicate copies of Hadassah Magazine coming to your home, please contact Penny to discontinue the extra(s). This both conserves paper and saves Hadassah money. 704-542-9402 or pbk96@msn.com

There is Always Room Just for You

Volunteering gives you an opportunity to change lives, including your own. Hadassah needs volunteers to help support their programs, fundraising events, social events and the many functions that take place throughout the year.

Whether you like to proofread, bake, work an event, make phone calls, write, paint, organize, etc... there is a place for you in Charlotte Hadassah. Make 2015 a Hadassah year for you.

If you are new to the chapter or are new to volunteering for Hadassah, please contact Penny Krieger at 704-542-9402 or pbk96@msn.com.

E-Membership - Tell all your friends about it!

eMEMBER

hadassah.org/eMember
#thatsHadassah



**An online only membership for women 17+ who
are big on caring and short on time.**

Through closed Facebook and LinkedIn groups, the eMember can network with like-minded women who take pride in their Jewish connection. Early registration for online webinars and access to the National Professional Directory (coming soon) are just a few of the benefits that allow the eMember to find her time and place in Hadassah.

The eMember stands side-by-side with the 330,000 members, associates and supporters, who empower women to take control of their health, advocate for women's rights and Israel's security, support groundbreaking medical research, and promote humanitarian efforts around the world.

BENEFITS:

- Participation in Private Facebook and LinkedIn groups
- Access to Hadassah Members' Insurance Program
- Receive digital issues of the award-winning Hadassah Magazine
- Early registration access to online webinars
- Advocate for causes through the Email Action Network
- Access to Online Professional Directory (coming soon)
- Tax deductible enrollment fee
- [Members' Insurance Program](#)

Hadassah Greeting Cards

New cards for all occasions.

Help raise money for Hadassah while putting a smile on the faces of your friends and family.

You can purchase these cards for \$2.00 each or 6 cards for \$10.00

Call Nancy Kerstein at 704-643-9494 to purchase cards.

Hadassah Certificates

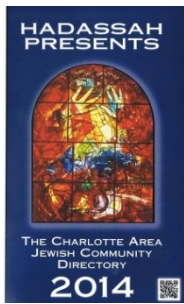
Send a Hadassah certificate and show the world you care.

Your tax deductible donation enriches the lives of millions of people.

To order, call: Madeline Aron - 704-442-8234 or email: aron133@att.net if she is not available

call 1-800-928-0685 to order or

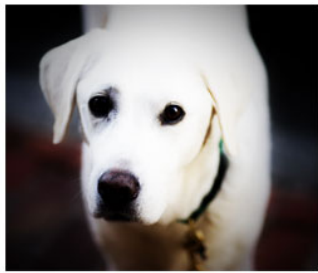
See additional certificates and e-certificates on: www.hadassah.org/donate



Hadassah Directory Update

Great News!! The 2015 Charlotte Jewish Community Directory will be debuting at the Hadassah-sponsored Opening Night of the Charlotte Jewish Film Festival, February 14th. Patrons will have their books mailed out prior to the CJFF. As in the past, books will still be available for purchase at the Purim Carnival and at the JCC desk and Temple Beth El and Temple Israel gift shops.

If you have any questions, send an e-mail to CltHadassahDir@gmail.com and put Hadassah in the subject line.



Save a Life - Adopt a Puppy!

Are you thinking about adopting a puppy or dog?

A very special donation was made for our Celebrate the Ta Tas Event. * It is a \$750 value. We are asking for a minimum bid of \$400 and will be awarded to the highest bidder at the end of February.

The gift stipulates the adoption of a puppy or dog from:

The Humane Society of Charlotte, SAFE Animal Haven, The American Pit Bull Foundation or Charmeck Animal Care & Control

The prize includes:

1. \$200 Adoption fees
2. \$150 Credit for an initial visit with Dr. Katie Miller toward vaccinations or supplies.
3. Camp Bark - A five night stay at doggie day care (\$200 value)
4. Zoom Room - Pet agility training (\$150 value)
5. A basket of "think!dog" puppy toys (\$50 value)

If you are interested in this fantastic prize, please call Sari at 704-545-6611 or email SHHFL28@yahoo.com

The \$ raised will be donated to breast cancer research and added to the total Celebrate the TaTas funds already raised.



Hadassah Lunch and Learn

Our next meeting is January 16 at 11:45 am. Please bring a dairy lunch.

Everyone is welcome - Our regular attendees or newbies as well.

The dates of upcoming Hadassah Lunch and Learn are (held on the third Friday of the month, 11:45 am until 1:00 pm) at the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library in Shalom Park.

Jan. 16

Feb. 20

March 20

April 17

May 15

June 19

Some dates may change, but this is the tentative schedule.

Please RSVP to Linda Levy if you can attend: levyollie@aol.com

Upcoming Dates to Remember in 2015

Hadassah Board Mtg	1/12, 7pm	Temple Israel
Lunch & Learn	1/16, 11:45 am	Levine Judaic Library
Maj Marathon	1/18	Levine JCC Gorelick
Lunch & Learn	2/20, 11:45 am	Levine Judaic Library
Charlotte Jewish Film Festival Opening Night	2/14	Temple Israel
Charlotte Jewish Film Festival Series	2/14, 3/2	Various Venues
Health Night	March	TBD
Purim Carnival	3/1	JCC
Lunch & Learn	3/20, 11:45 am	Levine Judaic Library
Lunch & Learn	4/17, 11:45 am	Levine Judaic Library
Bingo	TBA	
Lunch & Learn	5/15, 11:45 am	Levine Judaic Library
Lunch & Learn	6/19, 11:45 am	Levine Judaic Library

Order your 2015 MAH JONGG CARDS through Hadassah

Once again, Hadassah is selling Mah Jongg Cards. Each card that you order through Hadassah, provides us with a \$1.50 donation. Your cards will still cost the same amount and come directly from New York to you, in the spring.

Standard cards are \$8.00 and Large print are \$9.00.

Please make your checks out to Hadassah and send them to:

Mary Gordan
823 Wingrave Drive
Charlotte, NC 28270

If you have any questions, please call Mary at 704-442-3928.



BAMS 'n' BRUNCH

What: Hadassah and the LJCC's 10th annual Mah Jongg Marathon - You can enter as a group of 4 and play only with your friends, or enter as a single and move to different tables. The rules and prizes remain the same.

Where: Gorelick Hall, Levine Jewish Community Center

When: Sunday, January 18, 2015

Time: 12:00 - 4:30 pm / Doors open for brunch at 11:30 am

Cost: \$20.00 for Hadassah members, \$25.00 for non-members; Your check (sent with the coupon below) is your reservation and must be received by January 12th. Please send it to: Wendy Kweskin, 7224 Saint Clair Drive, Charlotte 28270, or you may leave it at the J in the Hadassah mailbox, with Mah Jongg Marathon written on the envelope. Since this is a fundraiser, we have a no refund policy, greatly appreciating your donation.

Return this portion with your check:

Yes! I want to play in the Mah Jongg Marathon on January 18, 2015

Name _____

Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

LEVEL OF PLAY : Please check one.

Experienced (timed): _____

Novice (untimed): _____

Learner (untimed): _____

Group of 4- Please seat me with:

Check Enclosed: \$20.00 (Hadassah member) / \$25.00 (non-member) payable to Hadassah

___ I promise to bring my 2014 mah jongg card (extras will NOT be available)

___ I will bring my mah jongg set labeled with my name (you will stay at the table with your set)

___ I have 1 / 2 / 3 card tables Hadassah can borrow. (I will label them with my name before Hadassah picks them up.)

Any questions, please call Sandy Hoagland, 704-543-6338.



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Sun City News

The Sun City Circle of Hadassah has had a variety of really exiting programs this fall. We started off the New Year with a Taste of Tradition. Members made and shared a favorite dairy dish they enjoy eating with their own families. Stories were told and recipes were swapped. Such a special time with our Hadassah sisters .In October, we were fortunate to have Terry Seidman, ASID, interior designer, join us. She gave us 10 Easy Tips for decorating our homes which included suggestions to spruce them up for the holidays. It was great fun using her ideas! Our November meeting had a different spin as we watched, Paper Clips, an award winning documentary that tells the story about students from a Junior High School in Whitwell, Tennessee and their 8th-grade project to study other cultures. This project created a unique understanding and personal discovery of intolerance and irrational prejudice. When hearing of the 6 million Jewish people killed in the Holocaust, the children decided to collect 6,000,000 paper clips to represent the estimated 6,000,000 Jews killed between 1939 and 1945 under the authority of the Nazi government of Adolf Hitler. The movie was awesome, emotional and just wonderful to watch. To quote Anne Frank, "Despite everything, I believe that people are really good at heart." Our Second Annual Chanukah Auction will be in December. All members bring a beautifully wrapped gift, valued at \$10 to be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Such a fun time, and a fundraiser to boot! Our Third Annual Game Day is on January 11th in the Lake House. Lunch will be served with delicious desserts prepared by our very own Hadassah bakers. Many different games will be played. Women and men are invited." For more information, call Patti Diamond, (732) 740-8368 or Faye Lebowitz, (803) 431-7293.

Have a happy & healthy New Year,
Lexi Greene



The 2015 Charlotte Jewish Film Festival

What an amazing year 2014 was for the CJFF. After a successful 10th Anniversary season and the exciting debuts of *Fan Appreciation Day* and *Fall Flicks*, the **Charlotte Jewish Film Festival** accomplished its long standing goal of offering year round programming to its loyal audience. The momentum continues as the dedicated and tireless CJFF team has put together another tremendous schedule for their core festival:

Tickets and all the details are available at charlottejewishfilm.com but here is a quick snapshot of the 2015 CJFF:

Marvin Hamlisch: What He Did For Love (Opening Night)

Saturday, February 14 * 7:15 PM

Temple Israel * \$25

*** **Sponsor: Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah**

Above and Beyond

Sunday, February 15 * 7:15 PM

Temple Israel * \$10

Producer Nancy Spielberg is scheduled to appear.

*** **Community Partner: Temple Israel**

My Italian Secret: The Forgotten Heroes

Tuesday, February 17 * 7:15 PM

Temple Israel * \$10

Run Boy Run

Wednesday, February 18 * 7:15 PM

Temple Israel * \$10

Beneath the Helmet: From High School to the Home Front

Thursday, February 19 * 7:15 PM

Temple Israel * \$10

*** **Sponsor: Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte**

Belle & Sebastian

Saturday, February 21 * 7:15 PM

Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

*** **Community Partner: Temple Beth El**

Deli Man

Sunday, February 22 * 11:00 AM

Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

Gett: The Trial of Viviane Amsalem

Sunday, February 22 * 3:00 PM

Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

24 Days: The Truth About the Ilan Halimi Affair

Tuesday, February 24 * 7:15 PM

Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

The Last Mentsch

Wednesday, February 25 * 7:15 PM

Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

*** **Community Partner: Hebrew Cemetery of Greater Charlotte**

God's Slave

Thursday, February 26 * 7:15 PM

Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

The Art Dealer

Saturday, February 28 * 7:15 PM

Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10



Is That You?

Sunday, March 1 * 3:00 PM
Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

Quality Balls

Sunday, March 1 * 7:15 PM
Regal Ballantyne Village Stadium 5 * \$10

***** Sponsor: Levine JCC**

Mondays at Lake Norman

All films will screen at the Regal Birkdale Stadium 16 Theaters

***** presented in collaboration with the Jewish Council of Lake Norman**

Above and Beyond

Monday, February 16 * 7:15 PM * \$10

Deli Man

Monday, February 23 * 7:15 PM * \$10

Run Boy Run

Monday, March 2 * 7:15 PM * \$10

We Look Forward to Seeing You at the Movies!

KEEPERS OF THE GATE

Keepers of the Gate are a group of Hadassah Donors who participate in a unique program of annual giving. The program attracts outstanding women who want to make their donation to Hadassah count – and count BIG!



Annual Pledge: \$1000 Golden Keeper: \$5000
Young Keeper
(through age 45): \$500/ \$750/ \$1000

All Keepers of the Gate receive a beautiful silver and 14-carat gold David's Harp Pin designed for Hadassah by Israeli artist Rachel Gera.

This lyrical piece of jewelry conveys a profound message expressed in Psalms: "Blessed is he that considereth the needy."

You can wear your pin on a chain or pinned to a lapel - However you wear your Keepers pin, it signifies that you understand the need for an annual gift to Hadassah to continue our lifesaving care and research at Hadassah Medical Center, and our life-enhancing projects in Israel and at home.

Your Keeper's pledge can be paid in one sum or divided into monthly payments.

Credit cards are also accepted.

Please contact Heidi Rotberg (704-365-3859) for more information and to make your pledge!

Give us a buzz . . . Send a text . . . an email . . . or a twitter . . . LOL

We are such a hi-tech and mobile society. . .

Please, please - when you change your home address, phone number or e-mail address, keep Hadassah in the loop so we can keep you in ours!

Thanks so much,
Penny Krieger, 704-542-9402, pbk96@msn.com