

HADASSAH BULLETIN

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Need a ride to a Hadassah program or event?

Or know of someone who needs one? Contact **Sharon Salzberg** at
sharon_salzberg@hotmail.com or 434-284-8900.

If you are receiving this email and are not a member of Hadassah yet ... please contact **Sharon** to learn how you can make a difference at home and in Israel by becoming a member of the largest women's and largest Zionist organization in the United States!

Hospitality Helpers Needed



Charlottesville Hadassah begins all of its evening and lunch n' learn programs with Hospitality - a time for members to meet and greet accompanied by a delicious assortment of baked goods and fruit donated by members.

We need members like you to help set up, clean up, or provide refreshments at one or more meetings. If you can help in any way at any time, please contact **Leah Cohen** at cohenleahs@gmail.com or 434-923-0442.

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Birthday/Anniversary Greetings Forms Update

All New Electronic/Email-In Form: The E-Form previously sent had some errors in dates. A new E-Form is attached. If you used the original E-Form - don't worry - your cards will be sent out on the correct date!

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1. [Click here](#) to open the spreadsheet and then **save it as a file** on your computer.
2. To indicate your greetings choices, place a 1 in the box to the right of the member's birthday and/or anniversary date.
3. Resave the file and then e-mail it as an attachment to Judy Sommer at wsommer@nexet.net.
4. Write a check (payable to "Charlottesville Hadassah") for the amount of Your **GRAND TOTAL** and mail to: **Judy Sommer, 3208 Wallingford Lane, Keswick, VA 22947-9101**.
5. The information on your e-mailed Birthday/Anniversary Greetings form will be entered upon receipt of your check.

Traditional Mail-In Form: [Click here](#) to download the 4-page order form for 2016 Birthday/Anniversary Greetings. Complete the form as in previous years and send by regular mail with your check as indicated on the form. All Birthday/Anniversary Greetings forms should be mailed to Judy Sommer. Her address, email and phone number are on the form.

If you cannot download either form (electronic/email or mail-in), please contact Sandy Abbott at scabbott49@hotmail.com or 434-296-9198.

We will not be having any Hadassah program meetings or events before these forms are due, so it is important that you place your order NOW!

Updated 2015 Charlottesville Hadassah Membership Directory

Just click (or double click) this link to download the updated [2015 Membership Directory](#).

How do I use my new directory?

You can print your new Directory at home (saving money for Hadassah programs) or save it to your PC, laptop, or tablet and open that file whenever you need it.

You can easily make the print larger for easy viewing on your computer.

Look at the "ribbon" across the top of each page. You will see a "Percent" in a box with an arrow to the side. Click on the arrow for a "drop down menu" and you will be able to increase the size of the print.

What if I find an error with my entry?

Thank you to those who sent in their new information. This version has been updated to include include new members, new addresses, phone numbers and email addresses.

If you did not check the last version (sent in September), please look up your name. Check spelling, address, phone number, email, and neighborhood listed. If you find any discrepancies, please contact **Sandy Abbott** at scabbott49@hotmail.com or **434-296-9198**.

The Directory will be updated regularly and emailed to members as we accumulate changes and as new members join. All information in this directory is correct as of November 11, 2015.

If you are having a problem downloading the 2015 Directory from the link above, please contact Sandy and it will be sent as an attachment in a separate email.

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President's Message - Late Fall 2015 (November-December)

Dear Hadassah Sisters,

The Charlottesville Chapter of Hadassah and its members have come to mean a great deal to me.

Because of my involvement with our remarkable chapter I have personally made some wonderful friends and have helped raise needed funds to help Hadassah finance its missions.

That is why I am resending this President's message.

As you know, I will be stepping down at the end of December after completing three years as your President. Our chapter could really use your help to keep our chapter going strong. The past three years have been a wonderful experience. It is now time for someone else to take the reins and bring our chapter to new heights.

Having a vibrant Jewish women's organization in Charlottesville is very important for many reasons.

Hadassah has always been a way for me to meet intelligent, resourceful and enthusiast friends. It is very important that we keep this presence going here in Charlottesville. Therefore, I ask each and every one of you to please step forward and volunteer in whatever way you can. If we all share the responsibilities then we can assure that our chapter continues its mission well into the future.

- We need help generating interesting ideas for programs.
- We need help creating fun fundraisers.
- We need help with hospitality at these events.
- We need help reaching out to find new members and making them feel at home in our chapter.
- We need a scheduling coordinator to make sure there are no conflicts with local events.

I hope you understand the purpose of this message and can help keep this vibrant chapter going for many years to come.

And -- if you want to learn more about our wonderful organization and how you can be a part of what we do -- you will have the opportunity to do so this January without leaving the state of Virginia. Our Hadassah Region, the Southern Seaboard Region, is having their Winter Meeting & Installation Shabbaton on January 8-10, 2016 in Richmond. This region meeting will offer you the chance to:

- gain leadership skills,
- learn about the most recent medical advances in Israel and how we are collaborating locally,
- learn how to advocate for Israel,
- attend the installation of the Region's new leaders, and
- meet great like-minded Hadassah women of all ages!

This meeting will be fun and informative and less than an hour drive from Charlottesville so you won't need a hotel reservation! Many of our members will be carpooling and traveling to and from Richmond each day.

See the article below and click on the flyer for more detailed information. Please contact me ASAP if you are even considering attending.

Have a wonderful holiday season.

B'Shalom and Chag Sameach!

Wendy

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Southern Seaboard Winter Meeting & Installation Shabbaton
January 8, 9, 10 | Richmond, VA

[Click here](#) to open the flyer for the Southern Seaboard Region Winter Meeting Shabbaton and Installation. You will notice that registration will be done on line and through a link that will allow the members to pay by credit card. If anyone needs to pay by check, they can register and then send a check to: Sara Jacobs, 1816 Bearhollow Rd, Greensboro, NC 27410-3500.

This is going to be a fantastic meeting!

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Give a **free annual membership** to someone new. Share our power.



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the power of women who **DO™**

Gift online @ hadassah.org/gift or complete a Gift Enrollment Form or call 800.664.5646.

THE GIFTING CAMPAIGN OFFER IS FROM JULY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2015. Only current Hadassah Life Members and Associates are eligible to take advantage of this offer to gift a membership. The gifted member must be a U.S. resident and at least 17 years old. The gift membership is only valid for a new member and cannot be used to renew annual membership. The gifted membership is an annual membership and runs for one year from the date of enrollment of the gifted membership.

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[Click here](#) for Enrollment Form to Gift an Annual Membership for a **NEW Member**

This Special Gift Membership Opportunity Expires December 31, 2015!!

A Great Hanukkah Gift for a Family Member or Friend!

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Fantastic Hadassah Missions for 2016 - Plan your trip now!



March 1 - 11, 2016

Hadassah Mission to Jerusalem & the Blooming Desert

Led by Marlene Post

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)



May 1 - 12, 2016

Hadassah Mission to Amsterdam & Israel

Led by Valerie Lowenstein

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)



May 18 - 29, 2016
Hadassah Interfaith Mission to Israel
Led by Julie Morris
[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)



June 21 - July 3, 2016
Hadassah Mothers & Daughters Mission to Israel
Led by Marcie Natan & Heidi Natan
[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)



August 30 - September 11, 2016
Indulge Your Senses on a Hadassah Mission: Experience Israeli Fashion, Food, Wine & Design in Israel
Led by Debbie Minkoff, Liz Alpert & Anastasia Torres-Gil
[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)



December 22, 2016 - January 1, 2017
Hadassah: A Multi-Generational Experience
Led by Miriam Aron
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[Make your reservation today.](#)
hadassah.org/missions

For additional information: Call 1-800-237-1517

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Hadassah in the News



New breast cancer stats: What's an Ashkenazi woman to do?

It's been a busy couple of weeks for breast cancer. Of course, breast cancer is always busy, exerting its sneaky destruction through abnormal cell growth. But now it's October and Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and the scary fact is everywhere again: One in eight women will be diagnosed with breast cancer during her lifetime. [Read more ...](#)

Meet the Jewish doctor who saves Palestinian attackers and the Muslim doctor who saves Jewish victims.



This isn't really a good-news story. This is a sad story about a special place where Jews and Arabs come together to heal the broken bodies of victims and their attackers, some of them children [Read more ...](#)



New One-Stop Food Allergy Clinic Opens at Hadassah.

Not long ago if an Israeli child had a poor appetite, was listless, wasn't gaining weight, and cried when eating or complained that eating hurts, a parent would have had to take him to the pediatrician who might then refer him on to a gastroenterologist, allergist and/or dietitian--none of whom seemed to communicate with each other. [Read more ...](#)



NYC Mayor Visits Terror Victims at Hadassah Hospital.

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio, Jerusalem Mayor Nir Barkat and Hadassah Hospital Interim Director General Tamar Peretz discuss the "spirit of solidarity" and the "common destiny" between the citizens of Jerusalem and New York City. [Read more ...](#)

Hadassah Partners with Fran Drescher's Cancer Schmancer Movement for Women's Health Summit on Tuesday, October 13 in Los Angeles.



Hadassah and Fran Drescher's organization Cancer Schmancer partnered for the first annual Women's Health Summit in Los Angeles on Tuesday, October 13, to empower women to take charge of their health, their bodies and their environment. [Read more ...](#)

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Hadassah Donations

Would you like to thank many Hadassah members at once, without sending a certificate? For a minimum donation of \$5 your personal "Thank You" can be listed in our bulletin. Please send your "thank you" wish and your check, made payable to "Hadassah," to Donations Chair, Sue Dvoskin, PO Box 417, Stanardsville, VA 22973-0417. If you have any questions, call Sue at 434-985-3310 or email suedvoskin@gmail.com.

Hadassah Certificates

Trees, Special Occasions, Get Well, Condolences, etc. Hadassah Certificates are mailed to the recipient, and your message is also placed in the Bulletin. This is a convenient way of sending an appropriate message while supporting Hadassah starting at the minimal cost of \$5.

Specialty and custom certificates are also available and now can be viewed on our website. Contact Sue Goldman: goldman75@comcast.net or 434-974-9074. Email is the preferred method.

[Click here](#) to see all certificates and donations sent September 1 - November 7, 2015. Check out our beautiful updated [2013 Certificates Catalog!](#)

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Memory Walk in Honor of Liora Laufer

Between October 24th and 25th, Marcia Silvermetz walked 28 miles to honor the memory of Charlottesville Chapter Life Member Liora Laufer and to raise funds for cancer research. Marcia was joined along the way by several Hadassah members as well as Gaby Laufer, son Aharon Laufer and his wife Amy, and their three children. Over \$3200 has been raised and the checks are still coming in.

Thank you to Marcia for her great effort and thank you to all who sponsored her walk with your generous contributions. If you did not have a chance to contribute earlier, you can still mail your check to Marcia at: Marcia Silvermetz, 313 Fairway Ave, Charlottesville, VA 22902. Please make your check to "Charlottesville Hadassah," and write "Liora" in the memo section.



Kraft, Diane Bisgaier,



Sharon McCord & Marcia
Gaby Laufer, Aharon & Amy
Wendy Heifetz & Marcia



Sherry

Laufer, Sharon McCord



Charlotte Crystal & Marcia



Amy Laufer and Kids

Contact Information

Please direct questions or comments to Sandy Abbott at scabbott49@hotmail.com.

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