March Movie Matinee!!!

Join us for a very special Lunch & Learn event in celebration of the 11th annual International SWAN Day (SWAN = Support Women Artists Now)

Monday, March 19 @ 12 pm
East Midwood Jewish Center
1625 Ocean Avenue - Between Avenues K & L

We will watch the story "Tikva" from Ayelet Menahemi’s award-winning film Tel Aviv Stories

Jan Lisa Huttner & Dr. Susan Aranoff will discuss the film after the screening, followed by audience Q&A.

Film critic Jan Lisa Huttner is the author of 3 books including Penny’s Picks: 50 Films by Women Filmmakers. She is also co-founder of International SWAN Day.

Dr. Susan Aranoff, is a Jewish feminist, co-founder of Agunah International and Original Women of the Wall and co-author of The Wedlocked Agunot – Orthodox Jewish Women Chained to Dead Marriages.

Cost: $25 In Advance
$35 at the door (space permitting)
Light kosher dairy lunch will be served

(Reservation form on p. 10)
Dear Hadassah Friends,

We recently observed Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday. As this holiday does every year, it reminded me that Jewish leaders and advocates were marching at Dr. King’s side through the difficult days of the civil rights struggle.

Rabbi Saul J. Berman, a leading Orthodox thinker, who is Hadassah Brooklyn’s administrative assistant Esther Lefkowitz (Berman)’s father, was active in both the Civil Rights and Soviet Jewry movements. In March 1965 he went to Selma, Alabama, with members of his congregation, to do voter registration work on behalf of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and to participate in the March from Selma to Montgomery. He was arrested twice during this time.

As many of you were, I was inspired by these leaders to advocate for equal rights, for freedom for Soviet Jewry and for the defense of Israel. I discovered that Hadassah was an organization of powerful women who put their ideals to work in practical ways.

In 2018, Hadassah women are still making our voices heard, supporting a woman’s right to choose, fighting against domestic abuse and human trafficking, urging equity in women’s medical research, and access to preventive healthcare and affordable child care.

This year, join Hadassah Brooklyn in lobbying our federal representatives to support Hadassah’s priorities in the United States and Israel, either in Brooklyn or in Washington at Hadassah’s Women’s Health and Advocacy Conference. I urge you to join me in attending the conference which will take place from May 15-17, 2018. There will be an important panel at the National Press Club, an update from the Israeli Ambassador, lobbying training sessions and meetings with our legislators on the Hill. A joyful HMO Gala is planned with amazing entertainment. We will begin “Celebration 2018” for Israel’s 70th birthday. You can register for the conference online at Hadassah.org or call the Brooklyn office for more information.

Advocacy is in our DNA, so let’s show it off. We have the power to make changes in our world. Let’s use it!

There are still volunteer opportunities, both large and small, on the Brooklyn Executive Board. Please email me at bkatz@hadassah.org if you are interested in joining the Brooklyn Women Who Do.

Shalom,
Barbara Katz
A Happy and Healthy New Year 2018!

In retrospect we celebrate Hadassah's Impact in 2017. There is no organization like Hadassah working in communities around the US to connect Jewish women and empower them to effect change through support of Israel, advancing health and wellness, and advocacy. It's because of YOU that Hadassah accomplished so much in 2017. Here are just a few highlights:

* Your Generosity: We completed the Sarah Wetsman Davidson Hospital Tower campaign, helping us better serve our patients with top-tier technologies, cutting-edge research and compassionate care, including 13 new state-of-the-art underground operating rooms.

* Medical Milestones: HMO teams performed the world’s first-of-its-kind dual robotic surgery, launched Israel’s first Pediatric-Palliative Care Center and first Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. They made headlines identifying the genetic mutation causing a devastating pediatric neurological disease.

* Global Disaster Response: Hadassah’s Jerusalem Crisis Intervention Center helped the Mexican government create a strategic plan for responding to the long-term psychological impact of September's devastating earthquake.

* Civil Dialogue: Our “Defining Zionism in the 21st Century” program featured 17 diverse speakers who discussed feminism and Zionism, interfaith initiatives, reaching millennials and others.

* Youth Ties to Israel: We helped 395 youngsters attend Young Judaea programs in the US and Israel.

* At-Risk Youth: Three Youth Aliyah 12th graders took 2nd place in Israel’s National Cyber Competition, one student represented Israel at the European Union Contest for Young Scientists for her work on the immune system and Alzheimers.

* Advocacy in Action: We sent more than 33,000 messages to elected officials on women’s health, women's economic equity, combating violence against women, immigrant rights and against hate, racism, and white supremacy.

Thanks to members, donors, supporters and Associates - all part of our Hadassah family who are responsible for these major accomplishments and serious breakthroughs. We believe that each individual has the moral imperative to help make our world a better place....Tikkun Olam. We are so grateful to you for choosing to make a positive impact through Hadassah.

Make Hadassah one of your New Year's resolutions!

Make your Impact felt!

Make a Choice! Scholarships...US Initiatives...Youth Aliyah....Medicine & Health Care...Construction on the Hospital Round Building!

Make a Difference!

Make a commitment to join the women and Associates of the Chai Society! To continue Hadassah’s vital work, we need your support. We have three levels of membership: Chai - $360, Silver Chai - $536, or as a Keeper - $1,000 annual commitment. Your contribution can be made in one payment or in installments.

Who will say Kaddish? A one time donation of $1,000 ensures that a Perpetual Kaddish will be recited for your loved one during services at the Abbell Synagogue.

Each year, prior to the Yahrzeit date, you will receive a notification from Hadassah acknowledging the upcoming observance. Applications are available from National or contact me, Ethel Gold, at: ethelgold53@yahoo.com. The purchase of a Yahrzeit entitles you to be included in the Major Donor Annual Champagne Brunch in October, 2018.

Together, let us go from strength to strength in 2018!
Prof. Dina Ben-Yehuda, head of the Hadassah Medical Organization’s Department of Hematology, has been named Dean of the Hadassah-Hebrew University Faculty of Medicine—the first woman to have the position.

Prof. Ben-Yehuda, born in Haifa, decided at the age of three that she was going to become a doctor. It was when her seven-year-old brother died of cancer. She was the first woman soldier to be awarded the Israel Defense Forces Chief of Staff citation for her initiative in the Yom Kippur War to gather information on those killed or missing in action. The initiative also addressed the importance of informing and supporting the families of these soldiers. Recently, Prof. Ben-Yehuda was awarded the Danielle Prize, “Healing with a Heart,” given to doctors and nurses “who rise beyond their professions and give of themselves to patients.”

Prof. Ben-Yehuda will continue to see her patients, conduct research, and mentor her students at Hadassah. “I am delighted that there is a new generation of young researchers who can carry on this work,” she says. “When I choose residents,” she notes, “they have to be the best in their field. But more than that, they have to pass the ‘tear test.’ If they come to the hematology department and don’t cry even once, they are not accepted.”

Among her pre-clinical research projects is the invention of a protein, packaged in nanoparticles, whose mission is to invade and kill lymphoma and melanoma cancer cells.

MEMBERSHIP

Caryn Tanditash, VP

I hope all of you had fun celebrating the holidays and enjoyed the activities you were involved in. Activities at Hadassah are ongoing throughout the year. We have book club meetings including Women Who Learn, informative events on various health issues, luncheons, holiday celebrations, etc. We are a very active group of women who enjoy getting together, socializing and supporting the goals of Hadassah. Money raised for medical research at Hadassah Hospital has led to ground breaking treatment in various medical fields. We encourage all of you to recommend joining Hadassah to your relatives, friends and neighbors. This year there will be a gift of a 3 prong USB cable in a “We Got the Power” pouch that will be given to new members and those current members who bring in new members. We are only as strong as the number of our members so let us keep growing!
Hadassah Brooklyn Region’s annual Hanukkah party on Monday, December 11, 2017 brought us all a happy holiday feeling and inspired us to do tikkun olam, not only as part of Hadassah, but everyday in every way we are able.

Chat and chew, and raffle sales took place from noon to 12:30 PM, after which Marlene Lempert gave us sweet Hanukkah greetings and Enid and Jack Benezra led us in singing “Hatikvah” and “The Star-Spangled Banner.”

An inspirational candle lighting/invocation in memory of our founder, Henrietta Szold, was done by Region President Barbara Katz, and past Region Presidents Judi Silversmith, Janet Young, and Gail Hammerman. President Barbara Katz recognized our special honored guests, Burt Krull, his three daughters, New York Region President Rita Lourie-Galena and Barbara Goldstein (aka “The Fabulous BG”), who is the Deputy Executive Director of Hadassah’s office in Israel and past National Vice President of Hadassah.

Our own Barbara Katz gave us a quick run down of some of Brooklyn Region’s exciting upcoming events, and proudly reported that a bench was purchased in memory of our amazing and beloved Alma Krull at Hadassah’s Ein Kerem Hospital in Israel with the help of our donations to this year’s journal.

A presentation was made to Burt Krull and his family honoring all of the many mitzvot that he and Alma and their family have done over many, many years. Burt graciously accepted and humbly thanked us all for this special honor. Roni Schwartz, Hadassah National Treasurer and former Brooklyn Region President spoke emotionally of how Alma Krull inspired and taught her not just about Hadassah, but about all aspects of life.

Our Brooklyn Region slate of officers was installed by Gail Hammerman. Barbara Katz was installed by Barbara Goldstein (Fab BG). The Fabulous BG both mesmerized and energized us with her dynamic speech and her enthusiasm for all things Hadassah.

Following the installation, East Midwood Jewish Center’s superb Cantor, Sam Levine, sang Hanukkah songs both new and familiar and gave us some fascinating background on the songs that made them very meaningful. His performance, as always, was a true delight.

Our raffle drawing brought some very happy noises at the end of the afternoon from those who won such lovely goodies as a handmade necklace by our own Barbara Katz, a lovely handbag donated by Enid and Jack Benezra, several unique pieces of jewelry donated by Myra Schwartz, Eleene Schwartz and Caryn Tanditash, and three pairs of tickets good for the 2017-18 season at Regina Opera, donated by the Regina Opera Company. Our raffle was expertly coordinated by Eleene Schwartz and Myra Schwartz.

Todah Rabah to all of the following people (in no particular order) whose time and dedication to Hadassah Brooklyn Region made this afternoon possible:

Table and Room set up
Esther Lefkowitz, Enid and Jack Benezra, Marlene Lempert, Judi Silversmith, Barbara Katz, Myra Mionis, Eleene Schwartz, Myra Schwartz, Jay Young

Raffle Donations
Barbara Katz, Enid and Jack Benezra, Eleene Schwartz, Myra Schwartz, Caryn Tanditash, Regina Opera Company

EMJC Room Set Up and Clean Up
Anderson Waithe, Jack Almonor, Bernard Jenkins

Celebrating Hanukkah 2017 with Brooklyn Region Hadassah
Our next discussion will take place at the office on Monday, March 5, 2018 from 1-3pm. Caryn Tanditash will lead our discussion on “The Bread Givers” by Anzia Yezierska. This book is available at the Brooklyn Public Library and book sellers like Amazon in both hard copy, audio, and eBook formats. $10 per person in advance, $15 at the door. Bring a friend and have a relaxed and engaging afternoon! See the flyer on opposite page.

Everyone gathered in the Hadassah Brooklyn office for a very interesting discussion of the book “Stolen Beauty” by Laurie Lico Albanese led by Ethel Gold. The book was inspired by the movie “The Lady in Gold” starring Helen Mirren as an “older” Maria Altmann who defies the Austrian government to get her family painting back which was stolen by the Nazis. The book was extremely well researched and engaging. Ethel gave very detailed background information along with handout photographs of the modern Austrian painter Gustav Klimt’s portrait of Maria’s late aunt Adele Bloch-Bauer. Part of the discussion focused on the question. “What is the primary purpose of art - beauty or truth?” We enjoyed comparing the book to the movie, as we delighted in delicious noshies provided by Ethel!

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- Spectacular Hadassah Medical Organization (HMO) Gala
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- VIP HMO visit – hear first hand from world-renowned Hadassah researchers
- March together in the footsteps of our nurses through the streets of Jerusalem
- Special nurses track

For More Information:
Frieda Rosenberg at frosenberg@hadassah.org
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This masterwork of American immigrant literature is set in the 1920s on the Lower East Side of Manhattan and tells the story of Sara Smolinsky, the youngest daughter of an Orthodox rabbi, who rebels against her father's rigid conception of Jewish womanhood. Sarah's struggle towards independence and self-fulfillment resonates with a passion all can share. Beautifully redesigned page for page with the previous editions, Bread Givers is an essential historical work with enduring relevance. 16 black-and-white photographs

This book is available at the Brooklyn Public Library and book sellers like Amazon in both hard copy and eBook formats.

We meet at the Hadassah Brooklyn Office in The East Midwood Jewish Center
1625 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11230  (between Avenues L & K)

$10 in advance. $15 at the door.
Light Refreshments will be served.

Questions? Call (718) 382-6454

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AROUND THE REGION

PARK SLOPE CHAPTER • Merrie Melman & Gail Cohen Fier

A NEW YEAR AND A NEW TERM

We thank you honoring us with the office of Co-presidents. Thank you Ethel Gold for officiating at the December 6th Installation and for everything you do for Hadassah.

We thank Sarina Roffè for her 3 years of dedicated service and we also thank the rest of the Park Slope Board for their service and for their commitment to continue their service for the next three years. We look forward to taking Hadassah further.

Please know that if you are not a Board Member, but have some ideas for future functions—a speaker, a book, whatever—we welcome your suggestions. As of this writing, we are working on different formats for the coming seasons.

If you are a Hadassah Sister—it matters not which chapter you belong to—you are invited to attend any of our functions. A Hadassah Sister is a Hadassah Sister.

Looking back at the December Installation/Chanukah Party at Café Savor: The event was wonderful and was enjoyed by all who attended. A special thanks to Alice Fisher Rubin, Ruth Shapiro and Sarina Roffè who are providing their homes and their culinary artistry for our annual Chanukah Auction.

Again thanks to Ethel Gold for the Installation and Chanukah portion of the agenda.

By the time you receive this Bulletin, we will already have had our Winter Book Club and Pot Luck Supper, which was held on Thursday, January 25th. Thanx again to Ethel Gold, for hosting the event in her home.

The Spring Book Club and Pot Luck Supper is being hosted at the home of Hazel Tishcoff. The program is being Chaired by Cecelia Kramer. The book is “Where Did I Leave My Glasses, by Martha Weinman Lear. It should be a fun evening. This event is also a precursor to our April Event.

In April, at Barbara Katz’s home, she will be hosting a Pot Luck Supper. The speaker, Alezandra Krisztofer who brings a format to us entitled TRAIN YOUR BRAIN. Ms. Krisztofer is a Cognitive Trainer, Dance/Movement Therapist and a Recreation Consultant at the Long Island Alzheimer’s Foundation at Port Washington, New York. She is an extremely interesting and knowledgeable speaker. We thank Judy Silversmith for putting this event together.

As of this writing, we are working on various venues and interesting programs.

SAVE THE DATE……October 18th, at the home of Alice Fisher Rubin. The program will feature Larry Strickler. You remember him from Kutcher’s in the Catskills. Well, he will be presenting an evening of nostalgia. It is always good to remember the GOOD times.

We are working with Amy Schoenfeld on a special program for June. As soon as it is in place, we will tell you about it.

As we stated before, we are looking to take Hadassah further BUT it cannot happen without participation coming from you, our Hadassah Sisters.

Looking forward to seeing you at the next meeting.
AROUND THE REGION

BAY RIDGE CHAPTER  Barbara Gershuny & Carol Dolman

December 10, 2017 could have been a snowy disaster for our Hadassah fundraiser luncheon. Fortunately, what could have been a substantial snowstorm, turned out to be somewhat of a dud so our luncheon could go on as planned.

Our program focused on two truly multi-faceted women - Bette Midler and Barbra Streisand. In addition to being fabulous vocalists and actresses, they are both involved in many aspects of the entertainment industry. Both have won an amazing number of awards. In addition, they are both humanitarians who are activists and engaged in much philanthropic work.

Attendees enjoyed learning about these two extraordinary women and listening to some of their most memorable recordings. Everyone loved hearing Bette singing, “The Rose” and “The Wind Beneath My Wings” and Barbra singing, “Evergreen,” “The Way We Were” and “Avinu Malkeinu.”

Bette and Barbra- Two Living Legends!

In addition to learning about Bette and Barbra’s extraordinary lives, everyone enjoyed a delicious vegetarian meal at Vesuvio Restaurant in Bay Ridge. As usual, our raffles were a big hit.

At some point in early spring, we will host another fundraising luncheon. Hopefully, the day will be snow-free. We hope you will join us.

The members of the Bay Ridge Chapter wish all in the Hadassah family good health, much joy and happiness in 2018.

DENNA CHAPTER  Fran Liebowitz

January, the beginning of a new year, is a time for us to renew our dedication to support Hadassah. We will work together to help Hadassah in the medical research field and to promote their social programs that enhance the lives of people around the world.

Dena Hadassah, Brooklyn Region, National Hadassah and Israel will always remember Alma Krull’s commitment, dedication and hard work throughout her life for Hadassah. The Dena Chapter is committed to fulfill her legacy and continue to work for Hadassah with interesting and exciting programs to raise needed funds.

In December, we had our Chanukah Party/Meeting. Our membership donated toys for Chai Lifeline. As is the Dena tradition, Enid and Jack Benezra did a reading relative to the season. This year we all enjoyed their recitation of “The Snow in Chelm” by Isaac Bashevis Singer.

In February we are having a book/author meeting. Helen Schwimmer will be discussing her book “The Wedding Gown that Made History and Other Stories.”

On March 12, 2018, we are having our annual Chinese Auction. Eleene Schwartz and Myra Schwartz are working diligently to ensure everyone will have a wonderful and successful evening.


This year Dena is offering subscriptions to the Rockaway Theater and the HD Opera at the Brooklyn Academy of Music (BAM).

In warmer weather a trip is being planned to Hebrew Union College to see their art exhibit, Home(-less).

I want to wish everyone a Healthy, Happy and Peaceful New Year.
Our Ivrit La Hadassah Class Is Promoted!
Janet Klein Young, PRAZE VP

We are pleased to announce that our Ivrit La Hadassah Class has been promoted! Under the good natured and very patient tutelage of Cantor Sam Levine, our study group is embarking on the next level in the program’s journey. May they have great success in 2018!

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☐ Enclosed please find my $25 check payable to Hadassah for the March 19th Movie Matinee!!!

Name: ___________________________ Chapter: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

☐ I would like to pay an additional $____ for ___________________________ to attend as well.

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In Memoriam of those we have lost in 2017

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Claire Weidman Dena
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Pearl Deutsch Kinnereth-Shulamith
Florence Holtzman Kinnereth-Shulamith
Ita Dimant Naomi Hannah Yassky
Frances Irwin Naomi Hannah Yassky
Alice Silverman Naomi Hannah Yassky
Ella Katz Medinah
Pearl Light Medinah
Rosalind Portnoy Medinah
Grace Salant Medinah
Barbara Zucker Medinah
Dorothy Brosterman Shoshanna-Israel
Rena Chernoff Shoshanna-Israel
Rose Reizner Shoshanna-Israel
Amy Borodach Park Slope
Pessie Krakinowski Park Slope
Brenda Rosenbaum Park Slope
The Major Donor Champagne Brunch held on Sunday, October 29, 2017 was a very special day. It was both informative and educational. In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month speakers reported on the latest findings, treatments, preventative measures and screenings that women should be aware of. The afternoon was also reflective and bittersweet as we held a tribute in memory of Alma Krull z”l who was so strongly dedicated and committed to Hadassah’s work.

Our first speaker was Haren Haber, who is currently Hadassah’s National Grassroots Fundraising Chair. She gave details of ongoing research and treatments being implemented by Hadassah Hospital’s team of nurses, doctors, scientists and oncologists. Haren presented examples of women in various stages of cancer, from initial discovery, prognosis, treatment and follow-up. There were so many successful stories. From a local perspective, our next speaker was Susan Burdette-Radoux, MD who joined the Hematology/Oncology division of Maimonides Medical Cancer Center in 2010 and was named Associate Director in 2017. Dr. Burdette-Radoux’s special interest is in the treatment of breast cancer and melanoma. In the area of research, she has been the principal investigator for a number of clinical trials investigating the use of new therapies for breast cancer and melanoma. Dr. Burdette-Radoux led us through her family history of incidents and treatment of melanoma and its apparent familial genetic recurrence. She advised the attendees to be vigilant, know your body, check for signs and symptoms that would indicate abnormalities, self-examination of breasts, annual mammograms and consult with your physician on a regular basis.

We were also honored to have two of Alma z”l and Burt Krull’s daughters; Aileen Schreiber and Andrea Lovett speak about their mother’s commitment, passion and hard work on behalf of Hadassah. Alma certainly never sought public recognition for her efforts. She was a modest and unassuming woman who got the job done. Alma worked tirelessly organizing our annual Champagne “Thank You” Brunch. She knew how to “work the phones” in contacting potential donors as well as repeat contributors. Her fundraising efforts were relentless. In concluding her remarks, Aileen left us with this message: “May the memory of our mother be an inspiration to all of us to continue to pursue her goals, carry out her legacy and endeavor to improve the lives of our fellow Jew and the State of Israel. Don’t just think about it - BE about it. Take Action - be more active in your Chapter, think of new ways to raise money for the cause, and visit Hadassah Hospital in Israel and see first-hand how your hard work is helping to fund medical research, cure diseases and provide the best patient care. Together, we can make a difference!”

What a beautiful way to end a perfect afternoon! Although it was pouring outdoors, we had a warm and congenial atmosphere indoors. A highlight of the program was the pinning of two new Chai members: Adriane Adam and Gail Fier, Estelle Katz, also a new Chai member was not in attendance. In addition, Sandy Dann stepped up to become a Silver Chai and was also pinned. Kudos ladies for your generosity and commitment.

Thanks to our presenters: Barbara Katz, Brooklyn Region President, Roni Schwartz, National Treasurer and Marcia Weller, Hadassah Brooklyn JNF Chair & Park Slope Leadership Chair. Once again, we extend our gratitude to Adriane and George Adam in so graciously hosting this event. Chani Gold catered an extremely delicious and tasty buffet.

Looking forward to another successful year!
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Kaila Rochelle
Israel Bonds Chair

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My Day with Hadassah’s Awesome Eight

Jan Lisa Huttner

On Sunday October 22, I was one of over a hundred Hadassah members within commuting distance of Manhattan who flocked to the offices of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP for the 2017 Metro Area Symposium sponsored by the “Awesome Eight” (Brooklyn, Connecticut, Lower New York State, Nassau, New York, Northern New Jersey, Suffolk, and Westchester).

From our perch high above Times Square, we were treated to a highly stimulating day of learning, sharing and planning for the future. After greetings from Hadassah National President Ellen Hershkin and Hadassah International Chair Joyce Rabin (both present in person), the morning was devoted to updates.

First Galit Peleg (Consul for Public Diplomacy at the Consulate General of Israel in NY) told us what was happening with “Women of the Wall,” and also introduced us to three surprising Israeli “Wonder Women” – one from the Bedouin community, one from the Palestinian community, and one from the Ultra-Orthodox community – who almost make Gal Gadot’s efforts onscreen look easy. Then Dr. David Kaylie, MD (Associate Professor in the Division of Head and Neck Surgery & Communication Sciences at Duke University) told us about the Duke Hadassah ENT Global Health Symposium held in Jerusalem last July. Finally Ruth Cole (Hadassah United Nations Chair) sang the praises of new UN Ambassador Nikki Haley who is finding important ways to provide American support for Israel in the international community.

After a buffet luncheon – during which many of us also queued up to buy books and “Endless Beginnings” necklaces (inscribed with the famous quote from Hadassah’s founder, Henrietta Szold “There is no ending that is not a beginning.”) – we gave our full attention to two wonderful scholars, Francine Klagsbrun (author of Lioness: Golda Meir and the Nation of Israel) and Dr. Susan Aronoff, PhD, (author of The Wed-Locked Agunot: Orthodox Jewish Women Chained to Dead Marriages).

Fully sated, intellectual and emotionally, I went back outside to enjoy the rest of a gorgeous fall afternoon.

Park Slope Chapter member Jan Lisa Huttner is the author of two books on Fiddler on the Roof, Tevye’s Daughters: No Laughing Matter and Diamond Fiddler: Laden with Happiness & Tears.
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$30 or $44.67
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  - 3 payments: $178.67
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**The Archive Project**

Did you know that on March 22, 1943 Brooklyn Hadassah women raised over $175,000 to become the first voluntary group to raise enough money to have a medium range bomber named after them? This was critically important to World War II morale building.

The book documents the history of the Brooklyn Region to celebrate Hadassah’s Centennial. This historic project is only as good as we make it.

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Region Upcoming Events

February - June 2018

Monday, February 19  
OFFICE CLOSED - Presidents’ Day

Thursday, March 1  
OFFICE CLOSED - Purim

Monday, March 5  
1 pm - Women Who Learn led by Caryn Tanditash

Monday, March 19  
12pm - March Movie Matinee Lunch & Learn @EMJC Fersko Room

Friday, March 30  
Passover begins at sundown

May 15-17  
National Women’s Health Conference @ Washington, DC

Sunday-Monday, May 20-21  
OFFICE CLOSED - Shavuos

Monday, May 28  
OFFICE CLOSED - Memorial Day

Monday, June 25  
Spring Concert (Evening - Time TBD)