

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Hadassah Members,

As we move into November and Thanksgiving, I know we all feel thankful for the return of the remaining living hostages, and we await the return of the hostages killed in captivity. May their memory be for a blessing. To quote Hadassah National President Carol Ann Schwartz, "We look ahead with hope to the healing and recovery of the people of Israel and to the promise of peace."

November also brings us to a time to start planning for next year. Our chapter and groups are working on their nominating committees for next year as well as starting to plan our programs and events. I encourage you to think about what you might like to work on in 2026. There are so many opportunities for you to use your talents and skills to help Hadassah. Reach out to your group leadership or feel free to reach out to me directly. I hope to hear from you soon.

During the first trimester of 2026, January – April, we will be focusing on Empowerment. Hadassah is built on a foundation of empowering women. We amplify our voices to keep it strong and healthy and to advocate for change in the US, Israel, and elsewhere. Be on the lookout for programs related to the Power of Women Who Speak Out and Women's Health and Wellness. If this is an area that speaks to you, let us know.

As we count our blessings, I want to thank each of you for allowing me to serve as your Chapter president.

Terry



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UPCOMING CHAPTER AND GROUP EVENTS

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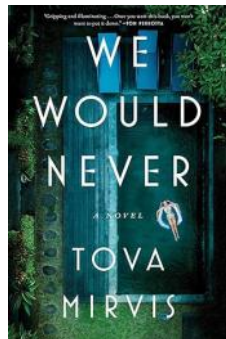
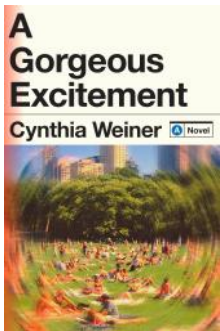
Monday, November 3, 2025
12 noon to 2:00 pm

A GORGEOUS EXCITEMENT by Cynthia Weiner
and **WE WOULD NEVER** by Tova Mirvis

As a sponsor, Hadassah members have the opportunity to buy tickets to this event at the MJCCA Member Rate.

Members can use the code: HGA25 at checkout on the Showclix ticketing website. Once a ticket at the Community price is purchased, this code can be entered to receive the Member price.

For more information and to buy tickets, please go to <https://www.atlantajcc.org/our-programs/arts-authors/book-festival/>



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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4
10:00 AM – 12:30 PM
IN MARIETTA
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REGISTER ONLINE WITH THE QR CODE OR VISIT: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/HGAMETULLAGUIDEDMUSEUMTOUR](https://bit.ly/HGAMETULLAGUIDEDMUSEUMTOUR)

HADASSAH Greater Atlanta Health Professionals

MEET THE AUTHOR

● *Roni Robbins*

Join us for a book discussion

On Her Award-winning Book: *Hands of Gold*

Sunday, November 16, 1:30pm
Address provided upon registration

Register online with the QR code or visit:
<https://bit.ly/HGAHealthProMeettheAuthor>

Hadassah's Etz Aviv Group 25th Birthday

Hadassah's Etz Aviv Group celebrated its 25th Birthday on Sunday, October 5, 2025, at Reunion Kitchen & Bar in Marietta. The focus of the event was to honor all our members, whose commitment led us through these years. Each member participated in a candle lighting ceremony. The presentation ended with everyone pledging their continued commitment to Hadassah's aims and purposes.

In August, 1999, about a dozen women, ranging in age from their 20s to 60s, met to discuss the possible formation of a Hadassah group in the northwest Cobb County area. It was a wonderful experience, unique to most of us, to be in a room with Jewish women only, and the feeling of Sisterhood was immediately evident.

The seeds were planted regarding a new Hadassah Chapter. The idea took root and began to sprout into a tree – a “Tree of Spring” – Etz Aviv. Etz Aviv had a major milestone event in 2013 honoring its Bat Mitzvah year, and then in 2016 the group celebrated its Sweet 16 Birthday. This October the life cycle event was a 25th Birthday party.

Adrienne Clayman, Etz Aviv Past President explains, “We are Hadassah volunteers, performing mitzvahs in our homes, our communities, throughout the world, and especially in Israel, by doing - not saying; by action - not apathy.

A member of the current Etz Aviv Presidium, Faith Shatzman says, “Our tree continues to grow. Its canopy embraces all our Hadassah members, and the members nurture our Tree with Commitment.”

With nearly 300,000 global members, Hadassah brings women together to effect change on such critical issues as ensuring Israel's security, combating antisemitism, and promoting women's health care. Hadassah's hospitals serve without regard to race, religion, or nationality, and in 2005 earned a Nobel Peace Prize nomination for building bridges to peace through medicine.

For more information on Hadassah and our many groups in Atlanta, go to www.Hadassah.org.



Having fun recognizing all the good deeds that the Etz Aviv group of Hadassah Greater Atlanta has performed over the past 25 years!

L-R: Ellen Levine and Faith Shatzman, member of the Etz Aviv Presidium.

SAVE THE DATE



SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE AND INSTALLATION

•**Date:** January 10-11, 2026

•**Location:** Hilton Head, SC

Stay tuned for more information. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Mark Your Calendars!
Details forthcoming**

All are welcome!



ISRAELI HOSTAGE UPDATE

In response to the release of the remaining 20 living hostages illegally held by Hamas terrorists, Carol Ann Schwartz, National President of Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America, released the following statement: "Today we rejoice that the remaining 20 living hostages have finally been freed and reunited with their families. We recognize they have a challenging physical and mental rehabilitation process ahead and we embrace them as they work to reclaim their lives. Our joy is tempered as we share in the deep sorrow of the bereaved families who await their loved ones killed in captivity. May our collective strength and love hold them. "For over two years, we have prayed and advocated for the safety and freedom of the men, women and children who were kidnapped by Hamas on October 7, 2023. We have celebrated every hostage release. We have wept and grieved for those murdered. And we have held our breath waiting for every last one to be returned." Currently, Hamas has released the bodies of thirteen hostages, who were held in Gaza for the past two years. The truce deal is stalled as Hamas claims it has not been able to reach the remains of the remaining 15 who are buried beneath the rubble. Teams from Egypt and the International Red Cross have been allowed to search for the bodies beyond the so-called "yellow line" in the area controlled by Israeli forces in Gaza.

"Today, we exhale, though we cannot do so fully until all 48 hostages are back in Israel. Our hearts are with all who have suffered terrible loss, the survivors, whose spirit and resilience have been a miracle, and the hostage families who have been unflinching in their fight to bring them all home.

Hadassah thanks our leaders in the United States, in Israel and around the globe, as well as the negotiators for pushing for an end to this nightmare.

We look ahead with hope to the healing and recovery of the people of Israel and to the promise of peace."



Hadassah Greater Atlanta Recognizes Breast Cancer Awareness Month

This October, Hadassah Greater Atlanta recognized Breast Cancer Awareness Month. More than 300,000 women in the United States are diagnosed with breast cancer every year. Hadassah members and associates recently learned about Hadassah's breast cancer center at Hadassah's Sharett Institute of Oncology. This center is headed by Dr. Paluch-Shimon. She is a pioneer in empowering women to make informed choices throughout their deeply personal breast cancer journeys.

Dr. Paluch-Shimon is an international expert on breast cancer and the first Israeli to serve as an editor for the Clinical Practice Guidelines committee of the European Society for Medical Oncology (ESMO). Hadassah's Sharett Institute of Oncology models Dr. Paluch-Shimon's vision of empowered, integrated holistic care. Patients are supported by a dedicated nurse coordinator who guides them through the maze of appointments, tests and treatments prescribed by a team of surgeons, oncologists, radiologists, psychologists, social workers, and other specialists. This personalized psychosocial support helps patients make decisions in line with their values and goals.

Dr. Paluch-Shimon tells the story about a young woman who had early-stage breast cancer and transferred to Hadassah after her oncologist elsewhere told her to enjoy her three children and quit dreaming of a fourth. "We judged that a planned and appropriately timed pregnancy was possible and safe for her," Dr. Paluch-Shimon said of this patient. "We temporarily stopped her hormone therapy and ten months later the patient safely delivered a beautiful little boy."

Rosalie Agrow, President of the Hadassah Greater Atlanta Ketura Group explains, "We learned that treatment at Hadassah's Sharett Institute of Oncology is tailored not only to the biology of each patient's disease but also to her personal story. The clinical battle, involving surgery, radiation, chemotherapy, immunotherapy, hormonal or biological therapy, is only one aspect of coping with cancer."

Hadassah urges everyone to tell their lawmakers to improve access to breast cancer treatment, which in turn saves lives. Congress is considering several bipartisan bills: Access to Breast Cancer Diagnosis Act (H.R. 3037 & S. 1500), Metastatic Breast Cancer Access to Care Act (H.R. 2048), EARLY Act Reauthorization (H.R. 4541 & S. 2339), and Find it Early Act (S. 1410). To easily send a message to your Senator and Representative, go to Hadassah's Advocate & Take Action Center: <https://www.hadassah.org/get-involved/advocate-take-action>

Simone Wilker, Advocacy Chair for Hadassah Greater Atlanta explains, "October is a time that Hadassah women wish to create awareness, honor the millions of lives affected by breast cancer and reaffirm our global commitment to equitable access to care and improved survival for all."



Hadassah members recognize Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October:
Standing: Simone Wilker, Hadassah Greater Atlanta Advocacy Chair. L-R: Etta Cohen and Lynn Owens.

Dr. Shani Paluch-Shimon, Director of the breast cancer center at Hadassah's Sharett Institute of Oncology and editor of the Clinical Practice Guidelines Committee of the European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO).

2026 MAH JONGG



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January 9, 2026

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The Harmony of Healing
A CAMPAIGN FOR YOUTH ALIYAH

Dear Friends,

Music has the power to heal, to inspire, and to transform lives. Our Super South Tri-Region area, of which you are a part, has come together for an exciting **Harmony of Healing** fundraising campaign, providing instruments and equipment, professional instruction and mentorship, and opportunities for healing.

At our Youth Aliyah Villages, children from Ukraine, Russia, and conflict-affected areas of Israel arrive carrying invisible wounds.

Many have lost homes, family members, and any sense of normalcy. Some don't even speak Hebrew when they arrive. But there is one language they all understand: music.

These young people, who are in pain or feeling lost and isolated, can still play in harmony with others, building bonds through rhythm and sound.

With your help, music becomes a lifeline. Let's give our young people the tools to play their way forward.

To donate, go to:

<https://bit.ly/HadassahsHarmonyofHealing>
or use the QR code below.



Thank you for believing in the potential of every child, and for standing with us as we create the Harmony of Healing.



Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution today. Any level that feels meaningful to you will help our students find harmony in their lives — and hope for the future.

To donate, scan the QR code or go to: <https://bit.ly/HadassahsHarmonyofHealing>



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ADVOCACY

Georgia Solidarity Network

The non-stop Delta airline's route from Atlanta to Israel is an integral link between the U.S. and our ally Israel. Business travelers, tourists, and families have all spoken out to say they want this route back as soon as possible.

To continue fostering stronger economic, cultural, and diplomatic ties between the Southeastern United States and Israel, we are asking you to take action calling on Delta Airlines to resume non-stop flights from Atlanta to Israel.

<https://share.google/bjjSmA6JvkWLoSGsV>

Tell Congress to Stand With Israel, Fight Antisemitism and Advance Women's Health

We need Congress to stand by Israel and speak out to secure the immediate release of the remaining murdered hostages. We also need our leaders to address the alarming surge in antisemitism across the country and stand up to protect and advance women's health. **Tell your lawmakers to act quickly on Hadassah's priority issues.**

<https://p2a.co/fFRmRxI>

ACTION ALERTS

Receiving Advocacy Alerts will allow you to do the following:

- ◆ Quickly speak out about antisemitism.
- ◆ Receive Hadassah alerts supporting Israel,
- ◆ Hadassah alerts advocating for the well-being of women and
- ◆ Hadassah alerts reinforcing Jewish values.



Click the link below to **SIGN UP NOW! WE NEED YOU!!**

<https://www.hadassah.org/get-involved/advocate-take-action>

Remember to vote: November 4th



NOVEMBER 2025 MONTH AT A GLANCE

GROUP	PROGRAM	DATE & TIME	CONTACT
MONTHLY PROGRAMS—NOVEMBER 2025			
Etz Aviv Noontime Nosh Book Club	The Frozen River By Ariel Lawhon	Tuesday November 4th 10:00 am	<u>Adrienne Clayman</u>
Metulla Group	Museum Tour	Tuesday November 4th 10:00 am-12:30 pm	<u>Amy Mittelberg</u> <u>Linda Goldman</u>
Ketura Knit/Crochet Group	 Knit/Crochet	Monday November 10th 2:00 pm	<u>Lisa Slotznick</u>
Ketura Group	Special Cooking Demonstration	Sunday November 16 2:00-5:00 pm	<u>Rosalie Agrow</u>
Health Professionals Group	Meet The Author Roni Robbins	Sunday November 16 1:30 pm	<u>Marcy Steinberg</u>
Ketura Book Club	The Book Smugglers By David Fishman	Monday November 17th 7:00 pm	<u>Arlene Glass</u>
Etz Aviv Ladies of the Evening Book Club	Code Name Helene By Ariel Lawhon	Wednesday November 19th 7:00 pm	<u>Faith Shatzman</u>
HGA Study Group	Dr. Ruth Westheimer and Hannah Senesh	Friday November 21st 10:30 am	<u>Wendy Kalman</u>
Metulla On The Same Page Book Club	The Midwives Escape from Egypt to Jericho By Maggie Anton	Friday November 21st 1:00 pm	<u>Susan Linkwald</u>
Mt. Scopus Book Club	The Frozen River By Ariel Lawhon	Tuesday November 25th 1:00 pm	<u>Sondra Epstein</u>

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We want your input on the newsletter.

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