

# WOMEN'S NEWS

## Do You Love to Play Mah Jongg?

Are you suffering from Mah Jongg withdrawal?

Would you like to meet other Mah Jongg players?

If you answered yes to any of the above questions, then read on.

Hadassah is partnering with the LJCC to present Charlotte's fifth Mah Jongg Marathon on Sunday, January 17, from 12 noon-5 PM.

This event will be held at Gorelick Hall, Levine Jewish Community Center, Shalom

Park, 5007 Providence Road.

This mah jongg event is open to the community, and will have separate groups for experienced (timed rounds) and novice (untimed play). The top winners will receive cash prizes. Cost is \$20 for Hadassah members, and \$25 for non-members.

Snacks will be provided.

Your check (sent with the coupon below) is your reservation and must be sent by Friday, January 8 to Madeline Aron, 4940 Hardison Road, Charlotte

28226 or Shellie Barer, 5007 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC 28226. Please use the coupon below and indicate if you can bring a mah jongg set and/or a card table. Since mah jongg is number specific, we cannot accommodate walk-ins.

2010 Mah Jongg cards available for sale at the event.

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

**YES!** I want to play in the Mah Jongg Marathon on January 17, 2010

Name.....

Phone.....

E-Mail.....

Level of Play:

Novice (untimed): \_\_\_\_\_ Experienced (timed): \_\_\_\_\_

Check Payable to Hadassah Enclosed:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$20 (Hadassah member) \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 (non-member)

\_\_\_\_\_ I promise to bring my 2009 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.

## The Many Faces of Hadassah

By Bunny Bramson, president, Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah



Bunny Bramson

As we begin the new year of 2010, it is a good time to look at the many faces of Hadassah: a movement and a philosophy faced with many of the same choices and implementation processes as any corporate or governmental institution.

The chief strength needed for organizational stability is flexibility; the ability to bend, but not to

break. Choices need to be made with intelligence and intellectual vigor – not out of fear. Inherent in choice is change, but positive change where ability to recover from setbacks and recover swiftly is inherent to the process. The key is resilience.


We recognize that in order to succeed, the first order of the day is to educate and re-educate ourselves, our membership, and those with whom we deal, not the least those in Congress and those in our state and municipal governments.

The thrust for us is integration,



not compartmentalization; anticipatory actions rather than reaction, as well as a common long range strategy.

To each and every one of you, a good new year. ✪




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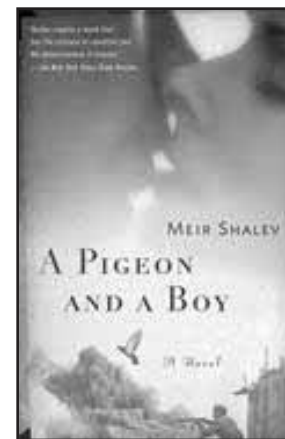
Financial assistance is available. Please inquire about the Malone Scholarship for gifted students in 7th - 12th grades.

## SYNAGOGUES & CONGREGATIONS

**Temple Israel Book Club**  
*A Pigeon and a Boy* by Meir Shalev  
MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 7:30 PM, TEMPLE ISRAEL

Homing pigeons play a strong role in this “mesmerizing novel of two love stories, separated by half a century but connected by one enchanting act of devotion.” This quote from the opening sentence of the flyleaf certainly grips your attention. Set in Israel in both a pivotal battle of the 1948 War of Independence and the present, Meir Shalev’s *A Pigeon and a Boy* rewards readers with its two tales of love and adventure, set a generation apart and linked by carrier pigeons. Perhaps it’s because “there is great power in living things that always return home to security; or the fact that the novel is “testimony to the redemptive powers of love and community.” Whatever the reason, readers have given this moving novel a strong, positive review.

Temple Israel’s January 25 book club discussion will be led by Amalia Warshenbrot. The former Director of the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library, Amalia is a graduate of Hebrew University of Jerusalem, where she specialized in Jewish literature and Judaic studies. Amalia has read the novel



in both Hebrew and English, and her discussion will include what’s “lost in translation.”

*A Pigeon and a Boy* is available at the Levine-Sklut Judaic Library, the public library and at local book stores or on-line for under \$15. Temple Israel Book Club meetings are open to the entire community, even those who haven’t read the book in advance. For additional information contact Linda Levy at 704-366-6362/levyollie@aol.com or Sandra Hirschman at 704-867-7051. ✪