

On Ending a Term as Hadassah President

By Hadas Kasher

This is my last column for the CJN. I have provided a column every month for the past 2-1/2 years- not always easy for a native Israeli whose first language is Hebrew. But talking and writing about Hadassah has been an honor and a privilege.

It was an honor and a privilege to serve our community as the President of our Hadassah chapter. Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah is leading countless activities benefiting our community right here in Charlotte, in Israel, and around the world. In Charlotte, we are all volunteers, and as volunteers we create and run all of our programming. Our oldest program, the Charlotte Area Jewish Community Directory, just celebrated its 65th anniversary. Other Hadassah programs are one-time events in response to an immediate need, such as the program to aid Israel in the wake of the Carmel fire. Some of our activi-

ties are initiated by our passionate members, such as our mother and daughter events, women's Seder, and this year's amazing Celebrate the TaTas. We also have annual events, such as Lunch and Learn, Maj Marathon, and Health Night.

Hadassah inspires a passion for and commitment to our partnership with the land and people of Israel. Hadassah enhances the health of people worldwide through its support of medical care and research at the Hadassah Medical Organization in Jerusalem. Hadassah empowers its members and supporters in Israel and America through opportunities for personal growth, education, advocacy, and Jewish continuity. These statements guide Hadassah, and inspire our work here in Charlotte.

On behalf of Hadassah and myself, I would like to thank all our members, associates, community leaders and supporters for your support during my term as

President. I am a strong believer in collaboration for the greater good, and the Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah reaches out to other organizations in our community who share similar values and goals. I would like to thank each and every individual member or associate. We are over 1100 strong.

Your support made the difference for me. Thank you for making my presidency such a wonderful experience.

As I step into my new role as advisor, please let me introduce the new President of the Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah - Patricia Johnson. You will be hearing from her soon. Please join me welcoming Patricia Johnson as the new leader of Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah. Join us in our Hadassah. ☆



Hadassah Health Night 2013

Ask the Doctor - The Latest and Greatest

Please join us for Charlotte Hadassah Health Night 2013. This is a free program open to the entire community on February 11, 7-9 PM in the Temple Israel social hall.

Guest speakers will include Dr. Adam Berliner from the Comprehensive Pain and Spine Center on The Latest in Back Care; Dr. Patric McElgunn of Piedmont

Plastic Surgery and Dermatology on The Latest in Aesthetic Dermatology; and Dr. Michael Rotberg from Charlotte Eye Ear Nose and Throat Associates on The Latest in Eye Surgery and Eye Care.

Please watch for more information on this informative and exciting evening. ☆

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