

# Women's News

## The "Yoms" of April

By Patricia Johnson, President, Charlotte Chapter of Hadassah  
 April for us is a time of remembrance; our community observes Yom HaShoa, Remembrance Day, to honor and mourn the too many we lost in the Holocaust and Yom Hazikaron to remind us of the price and sacrifice made by many to defend Israel.

This month also brings us a sense of rebirth as we celebrate Yom Ha'Atzmaut. We have much to celebrate as we see Israel emerge as regional power, a modern, flourishing democracy against the odds of being surrounded by hostile regimes in all sides. Just as Israel lives up to the challenge to create something magnificent so can we. Philanthropy can be our magnificent challenge.

Giving connects us to projects we may never see through to the end and allows us to enrich the lives of others who we may never meet. Giving creates a bond through the enrichment and experience of those in need. These experiences can be seen and heard throughout Hadassah from its legacy to support the State of Israel to building hospital towers, Hadassah Academic College, Youth Aliyah Villages and local community programs. Hadassah is about hope and help.



Our progress is made possible by donors like you and the volunteers who donate their time and energy to these wonderful initiatives. This work has recently been recognized by a leading independent charity evaluator. Hadassah received a four-star rating from Charity Navigator, a significant affirmation of the financial and organizational viability of Hadassah and an important statement about our status compared to other charities in the United States.

Giving is a life-long challenge with no finish line, but it makes the journey all that much more meaningful. ☆

# Jewish Family Services

## Acknowledgements

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**Mitzvah Baskets:** B'nai Mitzvah of Dana Rubin and Sammy Yass

**Food Pantry and Tzedakah Donations:** Charlotte Jewish Preschool (the Ones and Full Day Fours), Hadassah, North Carolina Council BBYO, Rabbi Jeffrey R. Cohen, Audrey Madans, Lottie and Joel Goldman, Moskowitz Family, Sam Salam and Sheryl Effren ☆



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