



NEWS FROM SHARSHERET

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What started with a simple Mah Jongg card purchase has grown into a nationwide movement, thanks to dedicated volunteers like Erica Giller, this year's Lisa Altman Volunteer Tribute Award honoree at the Tristate Benefit Barbecue on Long Island.

After launching the first Sharsheret Mah Jongg event in her Long Island community, Erica helped spark similar gatherings across the country.

Since then, Sharsheret has sold over 5,200 cards, raised more than \$25,000, and hosted over 15 events — bringing life-saving education to women, men, and families nationwide.

Watch the video to see how Erica turned passion into purpose.

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Now

Contact [Ellen Kleinhaus](#) to learn how to bring a Sharsheret Mah Jongg event to your community.

News & Notes

Shalom, Shabbat!



Join us Friday, August 15 for an opportunity to rest and reset during Sharsheret's Shalom, Shabbat! program. However you celebrate, and whatever your experience with Shabbat is, we can all use an opportunity to recenter ourselves in the midst of treatment, survivorship, or just the normal chaos of a life well lived. Come enjoy music, insights, and inspiration for the week ahead.

Can't make it? Register below to access the recording following the program.

[Register Here](#)

Sponsored by Cooperative Agreement 24-0061 of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



4th Annual West Coast Dash

Join us Sunday, September 14th at the 4th Annual West Coast Dash in Playa del Rey, CA, as we proudly recognize our 2025 Grand Marshals: Community Heroes Dr. Sarah Farzan Kamrava and Dr. Mitchell R. Kamrava, and Healthcare Hero Dr. Sahar Wertheimer. This year, we also commemorate the 10th yahrzeit of Sharsheret Founder Rochelle L. Shoretz, A"H, who will be recognized as the Honorary Grand Marshal.

[Register Here](#)

This event is made possible with support from Sidley, Stacey Weiss, Karen and Jeff Goss, Lisa and Josh Hofheimer, Jewish Community Foundation of Los Angeles, Susan and Dan Kane, Courtney Mizel, Sheila Baran Spiwak and Alan Spiwak, Sharon and Michael Bacharach, Nancy and Scott Beiser, brd, Hertz/Krauss Family, Houlihan Lokey, JSF Financial, The Kent Family, Lisa and Victor Kohn, Donna and Peter Schlessel, Cassie and Eitan Weinstock



Sharsheret Tristate Benefit Summer Barbecues Continue to Raise the Bar

Thank you to everyone who joined us for Sharsheret's Tristate Benefit Summer Barbecues—two evenings celebrating the legacy of Sharsheret Founder Rochelle L. Shoretz A"H and honoring community leaders and volunteers.

[The Jewish Link published an article](#) highlighting the Tristate Benefit in New Jersey, sharing the special moments and award presentations that made the night so meaningful.

Photos:

[New Jersey](#)

[Long
Island](#)

Educational Videos:

[Watch Shai, Florie, and Tamar's
Story](#)

[Watch Dr. Alise Reicin's
Story](#)

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Love to Bake? Help Make a Difference This Thanksgiving

We're looking for volunteer bakers and hosts to coordinate local bake sales in their communities!

Sharsheret's Pies for Prevention bake sale was launched in 2008 by sisters Adeena Sussman and Sharon Wieder in memory of their mother and grandmother, both lost to ovarian cancer. Held in cities across the country in the days leading up to Thanksgiving, the event raises funds in support of the Stephanie Sussman and Ann Nadrich Memorial Jewel and Sharsheret's Ovarian Cancer Program.

Want to get involved? Contact [Talía Lerner](#) to get started.

Blog

Finding Myself Again: How Supportive Oncology Saved Me

If I lost myself in cancer, then I rediscovered myself in Supportive Oncology...



Eight years ago, at the age of forty-one, I was feeling strong in my self-care. I had learned to relax, enthusiastically ran 3-4 times a week, and ate veggies on the regular. And then breast cancer came for me.

[Read Maggie's Story](#)

This blog is part of a series sponsored by [Gilead](#).



Sharsheret stands with Israel. We mourn with the families and friends of those killed, pray for those injured, and hope for lasting peace.



Looking for support?

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