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SHARSHERET TO PRESENT CONFERENCE ON BREAST CANCER AND OVARIAN CANCER

Sharsheret will present the conference, "Exploring the Connection Between Breast Cancer and Ovarian Cancer," in Teaneck, New Jersey on Wednesday, November 15, 2006. The event will attract breast cancer patients, their families, and health care professionals. Panelists Dr. Elizabeth Poynor (Gynecological Oncologist, private practice) and Dr. Noah Kauff (Geneticist, Clinical Genetics and Gynecology Services at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center) will discuss the genetic link between breast cancer and ovarian cancer and the recommended follow-up and screening practices. Shera Dubitsky, M.Ed., M.A., Link Program Coordinator at Sharsheret, will address the psychosocial issues for young women who have had either breast or ovarian cancer and fear the occurrence of the other cancer.

For more information and sponsorship opportunities, please e-mail symposium@sharsheret.org or call (866) 474-2774.

DVD OF MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION NOW AVAILABLE

You can now order a free DVD of Sharsheret's recent Medical Advisory Board Roundtable Discussion, "**Young Women Facing Breast Cancer: What We Need To Know Now,**" recorded on June 26, 2006. The Roundtable Discussion encouraged

Sharsheret Links and Callers to present some of their most pressing concerns to members of Sharsheret's Medical Advisory Board, including breast cancer screening after treatment, fertility, and genetic counseling and genetic testing for BRCA1 and BRCA2 gene mutations. To order your free DVD of the Roundtable Discussion, please call (866) 474-2774. A written transcript of the Roundtable Discussion is also available online in the Events and Transcripts section of our website, www.sharsheret.org.

“Young Women Facing Breast Cancer: What We Need To Know Now,” was funded by a generous grant from the **North Jersey Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation**.

TEAM SHARSHERET TO JOIN RACE FOR THE CURE

Sharsheret will join thousands of women and men gathering in New York's Central Park to participate in the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation's **Race For the Cure**, a monumental breast cancer fundraising and awareness event to be held on Sunday, September 10, 2006. To join Team Sharsheret, please register online at www.komennyc.org, click on “Join a Race Team” and type Sharsheret. Sharsheret T-shirts may be purchased for \$10.

On Race Day, Team Sharsheret will meet at 8:30 a.m. at the northeast corner of 74th Street and Central Park West for a Team photo.

This year's Team Sharsheret sponsors include **Campmor, Cohen and Company, Geller and Company, Glatt Express, Ithaca Construction/Jomar Mechanical/MFA Construction, Med-Pat, Perry Chemical Corporation, Propane Power Corporation, Sisterhood of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, Stern College for Women, Abeles and Heymann, J.H. Darbie & Company, Leasco, Michael Blumenthal, Esq., Michael Strauss Silver Smiths, Ltd., Mount Sinai School of Medicine/Department of Medicine, Pediatric Occupational Therapy Services, Ramaz Upper School, and Supersol Kosher Supermarkets.**

Thank you to **Tova and Howard Weiser** for underwriting Team Sharsheret 2006 in memory of **Phil Goldenberg** and **Lisa Altman**. For information about Team sponsorship opportunities and to order Sharsheret T-shirts, please call (866) 474-2774.

SHARSHERET LAUNCHES NATIONAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Sharsheret recently launched a **National Volunteer Program** for those interested in joining the fight against breast cancer. The program includes opportunities to assist with in-office projects, event planning, and outreach initiatives. For more information about Sharsheret volunteer opportunities in your area, please call (866) 474-2774.

KOMEN FOUNDATION SUPPORTS HEALTH EDUCATION SERIES

Sharsheret has presented breast health and breast cancer awareness events this summer in **New Square, Monticello, and Loch Sheldrake, New York** as part of a Health Education Series made possible with a generous grant from **The Greater New York City Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation**. The next event will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2006 in **Crown Heights, Brooklyn**. The Education Series is part of a broader Sharsheret initiative targeting Hasidic and Orthodox Jewish women facing breast cancer in the New York metropolitan area. For more information about coordinating an education event in your area, please call (866) 474-2774.

SHARSHERET RECOGNIZED FOR ITS IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Sharsheret is the recent recipient of a generous grant from the **State of New Jersey**. The grant will help fund *Embrace*, a support program for women living with advanced breast cancer.

For the second consecutive year Sharsheret was among fifty Jewish organizations selected for inclusion in **Slingshot**, a digest of some of the more exciting new expressions of Jewish life in America. For more information about Slingshot, please visit www.2164.net/slingshot.html.

OF INTEREST TO YOUNG WOMEN

The Young Survival Coalition and CancerCare will host the upcoming teleconference **“Bone Health for Women Living With Breast Cancer,”** Friday, September 22, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. EST. To register, please visit www.cancercare.org.

SHARSHERET IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Sharsheret materials were recently distributed at The Union for Reform Judaism Northeast Council National Conference, **“Reclaiming Mikveh: Pouring Ancient Waters into a Contemporary Vessel,”** June 2006 in Boston, Massachusetts and **Chabad on Campus International Foundation Resource Fair**, July 2006 in Edison, New Jersey.

Sharsheret materials will be distributed at **The Academic Coalition For Jewish Bioethics 3rd Annual Conference**, September 10 – 11, 2006 in New York City. For more information, please call (215) 576-0800, ext. 408 or visit www.jewishethics.org.

SHARSHERET IN THE HEALTH CARE COMMUNITY

Sharsheret materials were recently distributed at The Roswell Park Cancer Institute Conference, **“The Emerging Genetics Environment: Dealing with Realities and Uncertainties in Practice, Policy and Public Health,”** June 2006 in Amherst, New York.

Sharsheret materials will be distributed at:

- The Healing Journeys **San Francisco 2006 Conference**, September 9 – 10, 2006 in San Francisco, California. For more information, please visit www.healingjourneys.org.
- The Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University **Lynn Sage Breast Cancer Symposium**, September 14 – 17, 2006 in Chicago, Illinois. For more information, please visit www.lynnstagebreastcancer.org.
- **Annual Breast Cancer and Women's Health Conference**, October 13, 2006 in Burlington, Vermont. For more information, please visit www.uvm.edu/conferences/breastcancerconference/ ..
- Englewood Hospital and Medical Center **Walk for Awareness**, October 22, 2006 in Englewood, New Jersey. For more information, please call (201) 894-3202, ext. 3146.

SUPPORT SHARSHERET

Sharsheret **Rosh Hashanah Cards** are a wonderful way to send best wishes for the New Year to family and friends. Purchase Rosh Hashanah cards in packages of 12 for a contribution of \$36, with an additional charge for shipping and handling. To order Sharsheret Rosh Hashanah Cards, please call toll-free (866) 474-2774 or e-mail info@sharsheret.org.

Clickonkosher.com, online grocery shopping serving Teaneck, Englewood, Bergenfield, and New Milford, New Jersey, will donate a portion of the proceeds to Sharsheret from orders placed through October 2006, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. For more information and to place your order, please visit www.clickonkosher.com.

Sharsheret would like to thank **Jarret Berg** of **Alpha Epsilon Pi Zeta Deuteron Chapter** and the students of **Boston University Hillel** for organizing the 2006 Breast Cancer Benefit Dinner which raised more than \$10,000 in support of Sharsheret. To learn more about bringing Sharsheret to your campus, please call (866) 474-2774.

Sharsheret would like to thank the **Ashar (Monsey, New York)** sixth grade girls for dedicating their Bat Mitzvah project to Sharsheret by collecting makeup and donations to support *Best Face Forward*, a Sharsheret program addressing the cosmetic side effects of those undergoing breast cancer treatment. For more information about the **Sharsheret Bat Mitzvah Program**, please call (866) 474-2774.

FAREWELL

Thank you and farewell to Founder and **Executive Director Rochelle Shoretz** whose extraordinary vision, strong leadership, and boundless energy have guided Sharsheret since its founding in 2001. Rochelle will continue to serve as an active member of

Sharsheret's Board of Directors. We wish Rochelle good luck in all of her future endeavors.

Thank you to **Sari Stein**, Sharsheret's **2006 Sema Heller Netivot-Shalom Intern**. Ms. Stein will be returning to Hunter College School of Social Work this fall to complete her master's degree in social work. Sharsheret would also like to thank volunteer student interns **Zvi Dubin** and **Tamar Gruenbaum** for their assistance this summer.

BEST WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the staff of Sharsheret, we wish you and your family happiness and health in the New Year.

Sharsheret Updates are distributed bi-monthly and archived in the Newsletters section of our website, www.sharsheret.org.