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A superior medical education awaits future physicians who enroll in Hofstra University School of Medicine *in partnership with* the North Shore Health System. Students learn in an innovative, highly interactive and participatory program developed by faculty from 22 departments of the medical school and from other Schools of the University. Guided by teams of experienced clinicians and medical scientists, they'll put their learning into action, from the very first days of their training in state-of-the-art facilities at one of the country's leading healthcare systems.

The School of Medicine presents information thematically - by analyzing the human body's systems and the diseases and conditions that affect them - so that students learn scientific concepts in context and relate them directly to health, disease and illness. Faculty preceptors track students' progress and provide feedback frequently. At the end of each course, the School assesses students' acquired knowledge, skills and attitudes to ensure that they're meeting set benchmarks.

Located just 25 miles from Manhattan, the School of Medicine is close to the excitement of the city and easily accessible by car or Long Island railroad. The Medical School's Long Island location puts it in easy proximity to shopping, restaurants, world-famous Jones Beach and Long Beach, parks, golf courses and sporting arenas. The famed resort area, the Hamptons on Long Island's East End, is little more than an hour's drive away.

Medical students are offered attractive, comfortable, graduate-student housing on campus as well as dining options, recreation and entertainment. There's an array of convenient dining halls and eateries including the medical school's own cafe; extensive fitness and athletic facilities, including an indoor pool and gymnasium; outstanding entertainment such as concerts, theatre, films, lectures and sporting events; an art museum, and ample parking.



### Message from the Assistant Dean for Admissions

If you've decided to become a physician, you've already made one of the most important choices of your life. Where you attend medical school will make a difference in your future as well. At Hofstra University School of Medicine *in partnership with* North Shore -LJ Health System, you enter an interactive and exciting educational environment designed to attract individuals interested in a creative approach to advanced learning. Our innovative, case-based curriculum, which weaves science and clinical medicine tightly together and stresses putting knowledge into action, will prepare you well for the practice of medicine in the 21st century.

As a member of our inaugural class of 40 students, you will receive personal attention and individualized career development while attending a state-of-the-art medical school. Science education faculty, in conjunction with top North Shore-LIJ health system physicians, have created a learning program that will teach you to think on your feet, analyze critically, and treat patients by integrating clinical experience and fundamental scientific principles throughout all four years of medical school.



We understand the importance of rooting superior biomedical and clinical education in a set of core values that include professionalism, humanism and reflection. This approach will allow you to develop life-long learning skills and to always place your patient's best interest at the center of medical practice, no matter what field of medicine you choose to pursue. You will learn not only the science of medicine, but the significance of community as you build relationships with other students and faculty who share in your passion.

You will have the resources of a vast, comprehensive health care system that serves an ethnically and socioeconomically diverse population of 5.5 million. You will be trained by highly qualified physicians and encounter patients in a multitude of clinical settings, including tertiary care facilities, specialty hospitals in pediatrics and psychiatry, community hospitals, emergency medical services, and long-term care facilities, all part of the North Shore LIJ Health system. At the Feinstein Institute for Medical Research, you will have the opportunity to learn and work with teams of scientists and physicians known nationally and internationally for advancing patient-centered biomedical research.

Our campus is a national arboretum situated in one of the region's most diverse areas. Hofstra University is located less than 20 miles from both Manhattan and the beaches of Long Island making many cultural and recreation activities easily accessible.

Come and learn about us as we explore new territory by emphasizing the integration of science and clinical practice throughout medical education. Through our innovative approach, we hope to develop physicians that are prepared to learn by new means, energized by the challenge to think differently, and eager to contribute tangibly to the overall well-being of individuals and society. We look forward to meeting you!

Rona Woldenberg, MD  
Assistant Dean for Admissions



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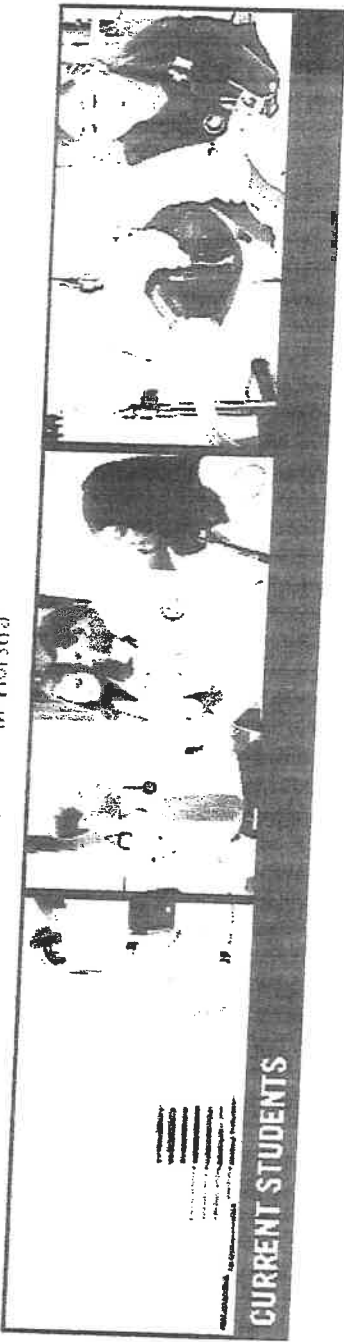
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## Campus Life

### Hofstra Campus Offers Metro New York Location, Graduate-Student Housing and Top Facilities

Situated on Hofstra's beautiful, 240-acre campus, the School of Medicine offers the educational, recreational, cultural and social benefits of Long Island's largest private university. With a population of over 12,000 undergraduate and graduate students, from 47 states and territories and 67 countries, Hofstra's diverse student body provides a welcoming and stimulating environment.

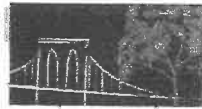
The 48,000-square-foot, newly renovated Medical Education Center serves as the School of Medicine's main academic building. This state-of-the-art academic center offers an interactive, 108-seat lecture hall, a medical education library, gross anatomy lab, 16 flexible learning areas and a full-service café. Students may also visit or access all of Hofstra's libraries and those of the North Shore-LIJ Health System.

Attractive, suite-style graduate student housing on campus; an array of dining options and 21 campus eateries; extensive athletic and recreational facilities, including an indoor swimming pool, fitness center and gymnasium; and more than 500 cultural events annually all make the Hofstra campus an ideal place to live as well as a great resource for those who commute.

Just 25 miles from Manhattan, Hofstra's suburban location is close to the excitement of the city, which is easily accessible by car or the Long Island Railroad. The campus is also close to both J.F. Kennedy and LaGuardia airports. The University runs frequent shuttles to nearby train stations and participates in Zip Car, a national car-sharing program offering students low-cost car rentals from an on-campus location. There's also free campus parking.

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Since I believe it is very important to stay abreast of new techniques in dentistry, I founded and direct the Brooklyn Dental Forum, which provides advanced continuing education for dentists and hygienists. I also frequently consult on challenging cases.

I am confident that with more than 25 years of experience in periodontics and dental implants, I could greatly improve the health and appearance of your mouth and smile. My talented and conscientious staff and I will ensure that you are made comfortable and receive the best possible, state-of-the-art treatment and follow-up care. My staff will also work with you to devise an affordable treatment plan.

Let me assure you that you've come to the right practice for the best in periodontal care and dental implants.

Best regards,

*Michael Abrams*

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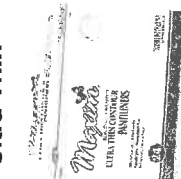
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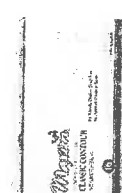
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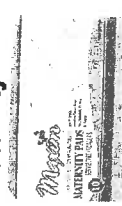
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**Why Is Maxim Ideal for You?**

Feeling comfortable and confident each day of the month is very important not only during your menstrual period but also on days when you need to feel fresh. That's why Maxim has developed a Soft, Safe and Natural line of Non-Irritating, Chlorine- and Chemical-free Feminine Hygiene products.

Most ordinary tampons and pads are made with synthetic materials, like scratchy wood pulp, rayon/viscose, plastic, deodorants and super absorbents. Maxim hypoallergenic products offer a natural alternative made with soothing 100% Cotton.

Also, with Maxim products, you are never exposed to harsh chemicals or dioxin, a carcinogenic residue of the chlorine bleaching processes used in the manufacturing of most feminine hygiene products. Maxim's all-cotton chlorine-free products let your vaginal area breathe and stay healthy.

**What Makes Women More Sensitive to Irritants?**

The genital lining is thin, making it very sensitive and delicate. Medical conditions such as Diabetes or excessive sweating, and today's tight-fitting clothing and beauty treatments, such as the waxing and shaving of pubic hair, leave the vagina and vulva even more prone to infection and irritation. Ordinary pads full of plastic and synthetic fibers may irritate or inflame this highly vulnerable area, encouraging the development of Dermatitis, Vaginitis and other painful sores and itchy conditions.

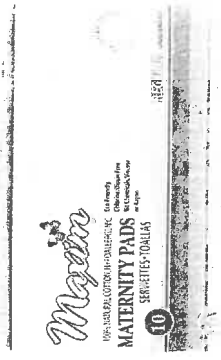
**Why Are Women Using Feminine Hygiene Products More Often?**



In addition to their menstrual needs, many women are using sanitary pads and panty liners on a daily basis to keep them fresh and free from concerns associated with vaginal discharge and urine leakage. Increased usage of ordinary plastic-laden products for these needs often leads to increased chances of itchiness or irritation. Cotton products are more breathable, comfortable and less likely to irritate the skin.

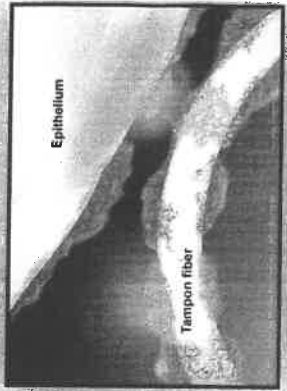
**Why Are Maxim Maternity Pads Recommended for Post Labor Use?**

Maxim's all natural cotton maternity pads are more comfortable to wear after giving birth because cotton fibers provide a softer cushion to the traumatized area and allow for more air to flow to the sensitive skin and wounds around the vagina while it heals. Women with incontinence also find these pads meet their needs better than ordinary disposable adult pads because cotton is more comfortable for daily use.



**What Makes Maxim Tampons Safer?**

Maxim Tampons are made with 100% organic cotton and designed with a special security-veil feature that prevents fibers from breaking off inside the vagina. In contrast, ordinary tampons made without a security-veil, leave the body even more exposed to the Rayon, Chlorine/Dioxin and other Irritating materials used in them (see above image). Extensive research has shown that tampons made with 100% cotton, like Maxim tampons, are less likely to cause Toxic Shock Syndrome (TSS), a serious illness caused by the growth of bacterial toxins.\*



**Why Do Gynecologists Advise Against Deodorants and Plastic?**

Most Gynecologists recommend that women with sensitive skin and those with or prone to Vaginitis use sanitary pads and tampons that are free of deodorants or plastic materials. Remember, what looks like cotton in similar products is not always 100% cotton.

**What Makes Maxim Products Eco-Friendly?**

Maxim products are made of cotton, a biodegradable, highly renewable resource that is more eco-friendly and waste-efficient than ordinary tampons and sanitary pads made from synthetics, plastic, wood pulp and petro-chemical byproducts that take years to decompose and cultivate. Maxim products are also packaged in recycled cardboard.



\* "Propensity of Tampons and Barrier Contraceptives to Amplify *Staphylococcus Aureus* Toxic Shock Syndrome Toxin" by Tierno Jnr, Philip M and Hanna, B.A, *The Journal of Infectious Diseases in Obstetrics and Gynecology*, 2:140-145, 1994.

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- Enjoy jewelry & craft classes
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- Participate in our daytime or evening education programs
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- Learn new recipes in our cooking classes
- Discuss noteworthy books in our Book Clubs
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- Sponsors luncheons at the Temple for seniors
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- Support of UJA-Federation of New York and Israel Bonds
- Donation to Torah Fund, which helps to educate clergy and teachers
- Provides Shabbat meals to Temple families during Shiva



Spring Dinner  
L to R: Lillian Litvack, Amy Katz, Leslie Katz and Susan Schulman



L to R: Roya Mizrahi, Molly Chernofsky, Miriam Silverman, Madeline Youssefzadeh, Lisa Schlesinger and Fran Shalat at Women's League Convention



L to R: Chebea Wolgel, Spring Dinner performer, with mom, Lisbeth



Spring Dinner  
L to R: Miriam Silverman, honorees Cindy Katz and Amy Magid, and Rabbi Lucas



Spring Dinner Social Hour  
L to R: Janet Eder, Louise Sobin Hersh, Deborah Brasovsky and Ellen Fingerman

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# DR. PHYLLIS CHESLER

## MAY 18, 2015

### 7:30 PM



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#### Dr. Phyllis Chesler, Prominent Feminist & Author, Tells Her Story

How are women and girls treated around the world? What can be done about it? Psychologist Phyllis Chesler will share her own experiences as a bride in 1960s Afghanistan, and her current findings on "honor"-based killings and the rights of women, dissidents, and homosexuals in the Islamic world. She will also address the resurgence in anti-Semitism.

Dr Chesler is a co-founder of the Association for Women in Psychology, The National Women's Health Network, and The International Committee for Women of the Wall. She is the author of 16 books, including the landmark feminist classic, *Women and Madness*. Other titles include *The New Anti-Semitism*; *The Death of Feminism: What's Next in the Struggle for Women's Freedom*; and *An American Bride in Kabul* (2013), which won a National Jewish Book Award for best memoir. Her new book, *Living History: On the Front Lines for Israel and the Jews 2003-2015*, will be out this spring

Please join us for a fascinating evening with Dr. Phyllis Chesler. Refreshments will be served.

Contact Wende Jager-Hyman at [whyman1716@aol.com](mailto:whyman1716@aol.com) or Debby Brosowsky at [dbrosowsky@aol.com](mailto:dbrosowsky@aol.com) to become a sponsor, get your reservation in or for further information

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**This event is open to the entire community.**  
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# SISTERHOOD SCOOP

By Miriam Silverman, President

## Sisterhood & Z'havah Opening Night Program: Judaic Crafts Night on September 15

The New Year promises to be an exciting one for our Sisterhood. Eight of us attended the **Women's League International Convention** in Whippany, N.J., in July and we returned with the coveted "**Jewel in the Crown Emerald Award**" in recognition of our Sisterhood's programs, education courses and community service projects. This is the third time our Sisterhood has received the highest level of recognition.

I had the pleasure of sharing the convention experience with Molly Chernofsky, who was installed as Women's League International Board's recording secretary, Madeline Yousefzadeh, Roya Mizrahi, Fran Shalot, and Lisa Schlesinger, Wende Jager-Hyman and Deborah Brosowsky, our two new program vice presidents. We heard noted leaders of the Conservative Movement speak and met women from all over the country and Canada. We returned energized and inspired and have many new ideas to share with you!



Spring Dinner: L to R: Torah Fund Chair Lisa Schlesinger, honoree Amy Magid, Miriam Silverman, and honoree Cindy Katz.

Please join us on **Monday, September 15, at 7:30 p.m. to get ready for the New Year with a hands-on Judaic crafts project. We'll hand-decorate etrog boxes for Sukkot.** (There will be a small fee of \$5 for materials for Sisterhood members and \$10 for non-members.) The evening will be a wonderful opportunity to meet other women in our community and to become reacquainted with your Sisterhood or Z'havah friends after the summer. Then we'll all enjoy dessert and socializing.

We will hold a **Sisterhood Board of Directors Meeting earlier on September 15 at 6:30 p.m. that will include a light supper.** This meeting will conclude in time for our program. Please respond to Wende Jager-Hyman at whyman1716@aol.com or 516-513-9942 or to Deborah Brosowsky at dbrosowsky@aol.com or 516-746-5219.

**Our Adult Education program resumes with morning classes shifting to Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. beginning on September 9.** Zahava Rosenfeld will teach Intermediate Conversational Hebrew and Bible Study: The Wisdom of Women, and Sharon Solomon will teach Beginner's Conversational Hebrew. Please see our Adult Learning Brochure for details.

The first of our monthly "**Lunch and Learn**" programs will begin **September 16 at 11:30 a.m. and will feature Wende Jager-Hyman with a talk on "Remembering to be Grateful for Everyday Life."**



Molly Chernofsky  
Recording Secretary  
of the International Board

**Our Essentials of Judaism Class's first session of the year will be on Tuesday, September 16, from 8 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.**

**Cantor Barnoy** will continue to teach this very informative class that instructs us on Conservative Judaism's principles and practices once a month on Tuesday night and includes Torah study and discussion. Men and women are both welcome. Tuition: \$36 for Sisterhood members; \$72 for non-Sisterhood members.

**On September 17, our Community Luncheon, which is free of charge, will take place at 11:30 a.m.** The function includes lunch followed by entertainment. You may bring guests who aren't members to this event.

### PLEASE SAVE THESE DATES:

**Sisterhood & Men's Club Dessert Party in the Sukkah** – Tuesday, October 14, at 8 p.m.

**Sisterhood Evening Book Discussion Group** – Monday, October 20, at 7:45 p.m. We will discuss Naomi Ragen's book, *The Sisters Weiss*. Molly Chernofsky is the facilitator of this group. Contact: 626-9025, msmolly@optonline.net

**Women's Advocacy Film Night with Guest Speaker** – Thursday, October 23, at 7:30 p.m. **Film: Brave Miss World** tells the story of former Miss Israel Linor Abargil, who was attacked just prior to the Miss World Pageant, and her inspiring journey from victim to empowered lawyer and activist.

**Sisterhood Daytime Book Discussion Group** – Wednesday, October 29 at 10:30 a.m. We will discuss Dara Horn's book, *A Guide for the Perplexed*. For more information, please contact facilitator Wende Jager-Hyman at 621-1694, whyman1716@aol.com

**Canasta Lessons with Bonnie Cooper** – Fridays, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on these dates: Oct. 24, 31, and Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 6. Sisterhood members: \$60; Non-members: \$80. Please contact Bonnie at 718-279-8370 or bcooper46@nyc.rr.com

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L'Shanah Tovah Tikatevu to you and your families, may you all be inscribed in the Book of Life.

# Barb Pitman

By MIRIAM FURMAN

**Barb Pitman '10 has gone from foster child in Indiana to Columbia law student — with marriage, children and her college degree all in between.**

"I had a noticeably compromised childhood — probably not the type that compares with the childhood of many of my classmates," she says. "I figuratively pinch myself every day when I compare my childhood situation to where I'm at now and what I'm doing."

Placed in foster care when she was six months old, adopted when she was four years old and then facing the divorce of her adoptive parents while she was still a child,



Pitman has had to cope with adversity. She grew up on a steady diet of food stamps, free school lunches and hard work.

Pitman, who bused tables at Dairy Queen at 14, graduated from high school with honors at 17. With no financial or familial safety net, she took out

loans, worked two jobs and put herself through two years of a business program at Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana.

With her associate's degree in hand, Pitman landed a job as a secretary at Baker & Daniels, a large Indianapolis law firm. There, she met and married her husband, Tom, a Yale graduate and Harvard-educated lawyer, who is now a partner in the firm. Tom, the son of a taxicab driver, also came from humble beginnings.

The Pitmans raised two children, now both in college, and Barb pursued her bachelor's degree at Indiana University while alternating between work and being at home with her children. She was a fire department volunteer commissioner in the town of Cicero, a speech and debate team coach at Hamilton Heights High School and Middle School in Arcadia, and taught piano to underprivileged children.

In 2005, Pitman received her history degree with academic distinction, along with an award for her senior thesis: "Culture, Caste and Conflict in New Orleans Catholicism." It was accepted for publication in the historical journal *Louisiana History*.

Pitman did well on the LSATs, and Tom encouraged her to apply to law schools in the East. After searching the Web sites of leading law schools, Pitman set her sights on Columbia. It was the only school to which she applied.

"The Law School's professionalism and the maturity of the students I read about impressed me," she says, adding that the idea of living in multicultural New York — after spending her entire life in Indiana — was also appealing."

Now finished with her first year, Pitman, who's interested in both employment and health care law, anticipates working again for an Indianapolis law firm after graduation — but this time as a lawyer, not a secretary. ☺

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