

168TH ANNUAL MEETING OF

CONGREGATION BETH ISRAEL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2026



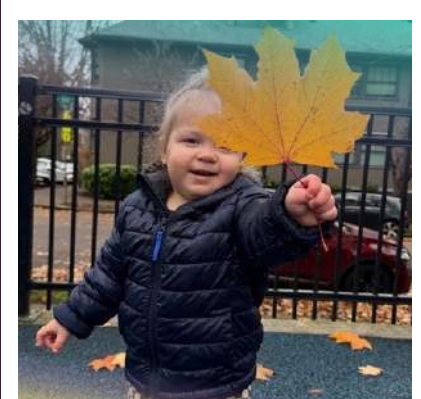
5786: a year of **connection** and **color**

This year on the CBI campus has been particularly vibrant, as we hosted two site-specific art installations, a **Selichot Teshuvah Journey** to welcome the High Holidays and **The Modern Mishkan** just this month in the leadup to Shavuot.



Throughout the year, our littlest artists were hard at play at **The Jennifer Barnum Luria Early Childhood Center**, which just celebrated its second year.

- 58 children are enrolled, under the guidance of
- 16 talented teachers
- 8 classrooms are now open (out of the 10 available)
- Students enjoy outdoor play in our new, licensed Fun Ground on the CBI Plaza, weekly Shabbat celebrations with CBI clergy, and joyful, hands-on holiday programs





The Jennie is a true source of community, with **monthly parent coffees**, an active **parent committee**, and families **continuing their connection with CBI** after their students graduate.

In fact, our Religious School enrolled its first former Jennie student this year!



Our arts-integrated **Religious School** continues to thrive with:

- 329 students in grades PreK-12
- A dedicated corps of 24 madrichim and 11 madrichim-in-training, honing leadership skills (and earning their first paychecks) as teaching assistants
- Family programs for each grade
- Our youth Oneg! Choir and Oneg! Band bringing music and joy to monthly Shabbatot and holiday celebrations



Our students **learn and grow beyond the classroom**, with:

- **20 teens traveling** to San Francisco to study environmental justice and Los Angeles to explore social justice.
 - Our annual L'taken trip to Washington, DC was cancelled due to weather, but we're already counting down the days till next year's...
- **106 students** (that we know of) are heading off to Jewish sleepaway camp this year
 - 79 to **BB camp** and 27 to URJ **Camp Kalsman**
 - Don't spoil the surprise, but the CBI clergy will be sending them a postcard greeting from home!

Teen Connection, Leadership, and Learning

CBI teens continued building community with one another-- and with clergy, mentors, and the wider Portland community.

Building Jewish Community

- Shared dinner and learning in the homes of all three CBI clergy, as well as in the Modern Mishkan
- 37 middle school students participated in this winter's CBI Shul-In
- Teens planned and led community events including Havdalah gatherings, games, dance parties, and talent shows
- The Teen Oneg Band performed at Oneg Shabbat services throughout the year
- Middle school students helped organize and run the CBI Purim Carnival for younger students



Teen Service and Social Action

CBI teens put Jewish values into action through hands-on service projects, including:

- Preparing winter meals and collecting gloves for Lift UP
- Creating cards of encouragement for children supported by Candlelighters Oregon
- Wrapping gifts and preparing decorations for New Avenues for Youth's holiday free store
- Designing artistic "go bags" for Mitzvah Day volunteers Learning Beyond the Classroom
- Participated in Teen Tashlich and a dedicated Teen High Holiday service
- Learned from community leaders including State Representative Dacia Grayber
- Visited the Schnitzer Collection for a special art tour and learning experience with museum educators

At CBI, **we are always learning.** each Saturday, scholars gather in person and online for Torah Study with CBI clergy and scholars around the world! While our Adult Education Committee

- screened *It Is No Dream*, a 2012 documentary that explores the the life of Theodor Herzl
- welcomed historian Lisa Sarashon to discuss *Two Centuries of Zionism*
- held a session on how to avoid internet scams
- coordinated a three part course *“Pariah State?”-Israel vs the World* with Rabbi Michael Z. Cahana
- discussed *Heart Songs – A Holocaust Memoir* with the author, congregant Barbara Gilford
- held a workshop with the ADL on *Effective Strategies for Countering Antisemitism*
- and has events scheduled throughout the summer!





Ambassador Deborah Lipstadt was our 2026 Oseran Family Lecturer, addressing the community on “Eighty-One Years After Liberation.”

For our annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Shabbat we welcomed civil rights icon **Joan Trumphaur Mulholland** in conversation with her son, documentary filmmaker **Loki Mulholland**.



No wonder our community is growing!

- This year, we welcomed **71 new member households** to CBI



Together, we celebrated:

- 34 B'nei Mitzvah
- 5 weddings
- 10 baby namings
- 10 conversions
- The Installation of Senior Cantor Rayna Green
- The High Holidays, during which we welcomed 498 guests
- Chanukah, with our traditional light show (complete with inflatables) to bring our community together



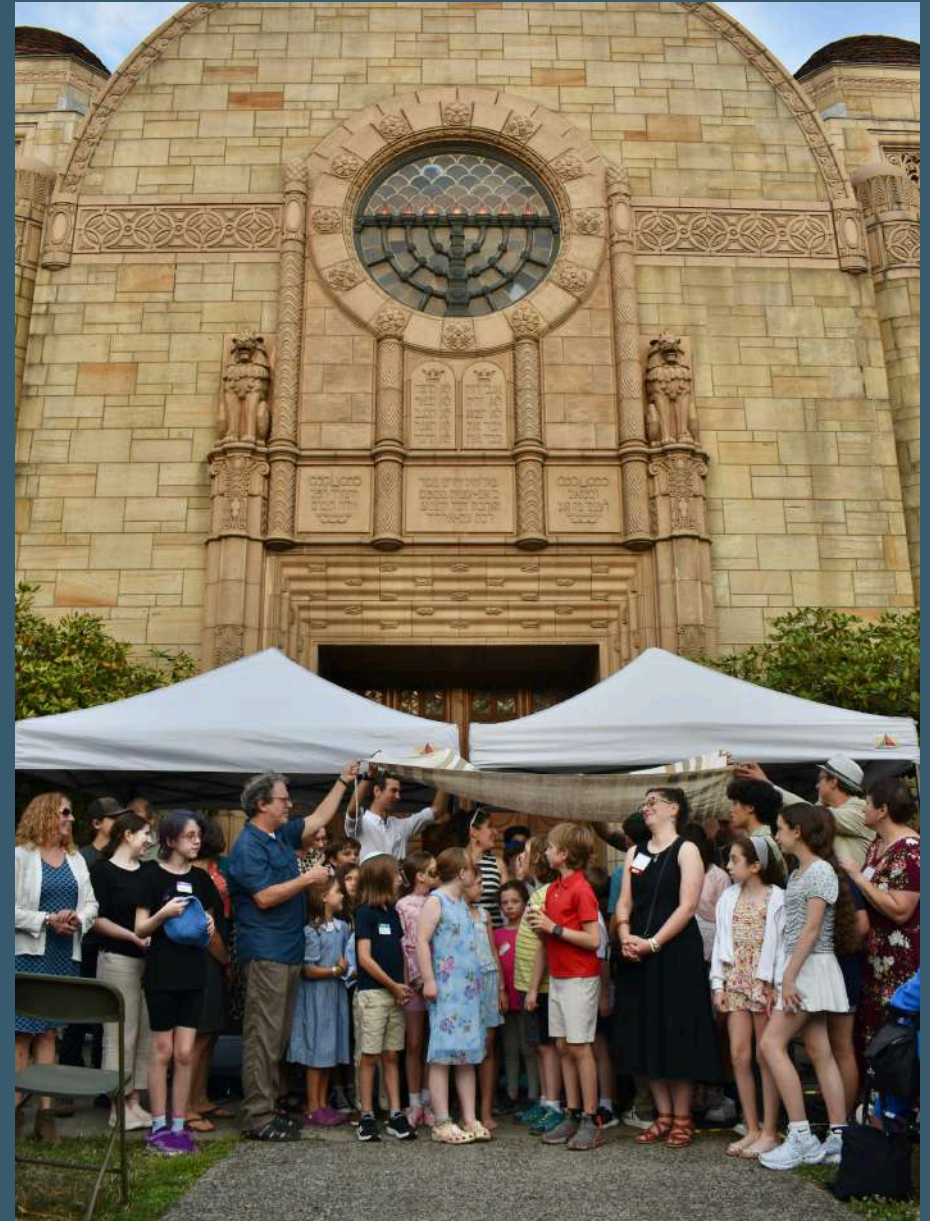
Together, we celebrated:

- Purim, with a live version of our Pandemic-era Disney's Enchanted Purim Story Book
- Passover, with so many Seders: our Women's Seder, a Community Seder with JFCS, Omek Young Adult Seder, and a Musical Haggadah performance from our Religious School students



Together, we celebrated:

- Special Shabbatot, including
 - Pride Shabbat
 - HIAS Refugee Shabbat
 - Reproductive Rights Shabbat
 - JDAIM Shabbat
 - Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Shabbat
- And we're looking forward to Shabbat on the Plaza, travelling Tot Shabbat, and *two* Pride Parades this summer!



There is something for everyone at CBI.

Last year, we introduced **CBI Circles** as a new way for members to connect through shared interests and passions. Nearly two years in, the program has grown from the Nachshon Nine founding Circles into a sustained, lay-leader-led structure for belonging.



Rolling into our second year of Circles, we are thrilled to report

- 29 distinct Circles created since launch
- Approximately 25 active Circles today
- 218 Circle gatherings and events tracked since launch
- 2,073 participation touches across Circle gatherings
- More than 100 member-led gatherings per year
- Regular monthly activity across arts, culture, service, Jewish learning, wellness, recreation, music, writing, games, and support



- **Omek**, our group for Jews in the 20s and 30s held a Yom Kippur Break Fast and a Young Adult Seder
- **Brotherhood** brought opportunities for service and fun to its members and the greater community with whiskey and poker nights, an evening at the ball game, a bagel brunch for new members, and a Mitzvah Day clothing drive

It was a busy year for WRJ/Beth Israel Sisterhood:

Friendship, Care, and Community

For more than 100 years, WRJ/Beth Israel Sisterhood has helped create opportunities for connection, service, learning, and spiritual life at CBI and beyond.

Sisterhood Brought People Together:

- Welcomed new and longtime congregants through schmoozes, monthly meetups, Mahjong, Torah Trek, and holiday gatherings
- Organized community-building events including a Chanukah White Elephant exchange and the annual Shop & Swap clothing event
- Sent care packages to college students and supported congregants through the Bikur Cholim Fund
- Reached more than 600 recipients through the Sisterhood newsletter

Sisterhood Supported Jewish Life at CBI

- Donated \$3,000 to the Religious School through Gift Shop proceeds
- Sponsored and supported the Community Seder in partnership with JFCS, serving 60 members of the greater Portland Jewish community
- Contributed to the Women's Seder and Cantor Rayna Green's installation
- Organized Sisterhood Shabbat, provided Chanukah candles to Religious School families, and prepared holiday hospitality throughout the year

Sisterhood Service and Social Action

- Packed 100 hygiene kits for Rose Haven on Mitzvah Day
- Donated clothing and supplies to community partners including Rose Haven and Transition Projects
- Participated in the Rose Haven Reigning Roses Walk
- Supported organ donation awareness programming and local food insecurity effortst

Sisterhood Leadership and Engagement

- Continued supporting Jewish camp scholarships through donations to Camp Kalsman and Camp Newman
- Operated and staffed the CBI Gift Shop
- Represented CBI at regional WRJ gatherings and in Pacific District leadership



This year, CBI's Social Action Committee continued to turn Jewish values into meaningful community impact through fundraising, volunteering, advocacy, and partnership.



We fought food insecurity:

- Raising more than \$75,000 for the Robert Peltz (z"l) High Holiday Funds for Food thanks to the generosity of over 190 CBI families
- Allocating more than \$92,000 to 14 organizations addressing food insecurity
- Organizing annual drives for nut butters, school backpacks, and menstrual products
- Continuing monthly Lift UP food deliveries to residents of NW Towers

We showed up for the greater community:

- 275 participants joined Mitzvah Day projects across Portland
- We prepared and shared more than 350 meals at the annual Community Holiday Dinner with Lift UP
- Tikkun Olam Together volunteers served monthly at local nonprofits
- We supported “back to school” efforts through Project Lemonade, Rose Haven, and Schoolhouse Supplies

We connected and supported our community partners:

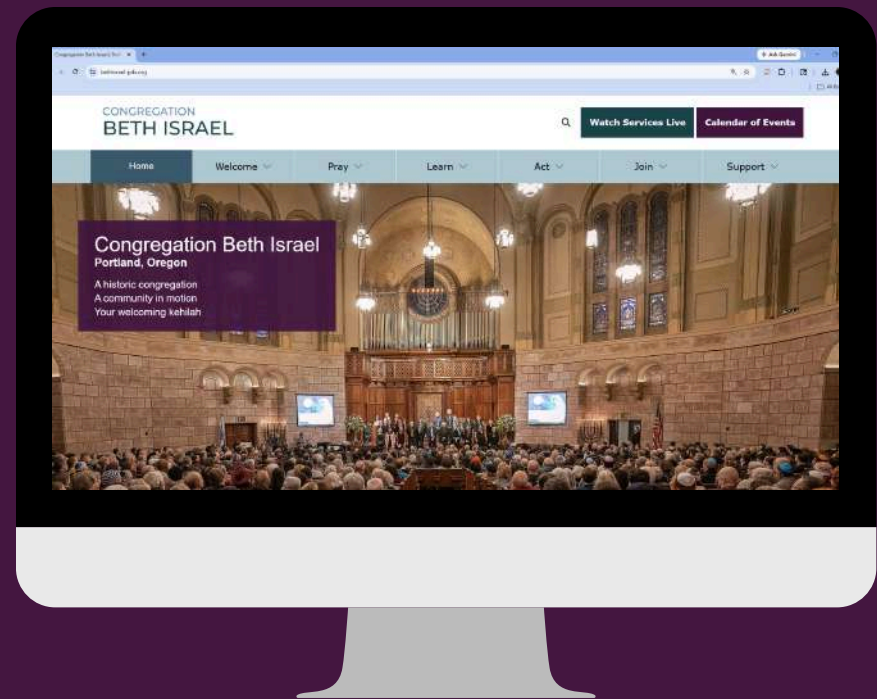
- Hosting our annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Shabbat and Day of Service
- Participating in Refugee Shabbat with HIAS and community partners
- Holding our first joint Ramadan Iftar with SACOO
- Marching in the Portland Pride Parade
- Sponsoring the largest team in the Reigning Roses Walk for Rose Haven, raising more than \$12,000
- And strengthening our longstanding partnerships with JFCS, Lift UP, Rose Haven, Blanchet House, Project Lemonade, William Temple House, Schoolhouse Supplies, SACOO, and more.

Our IDEA Committee

- Launched the new CBI website, incorporating accessibility best practices.
- Designed a post-event survey to understand member experiences; the first survey was recently administered at Mitzvah Day.
- Developed a series of speaker guidelines to create uniform standards to support the delivery of accessible programs.

Their Goals for Next Year Include

- Implementing our updated vision statement and refreshed list of priorities.
- Creating training opportunities to fortify CBI's effectiveness in fostering a sense of belonging among community members.
- Partnering with other Jewish organizations and community groups committed to inclusion and belonging.



CBI has been a *great* neighbor this year

- Co-sponsoring the annual Couch Park summer concert series
- And opening our historic campus to provide space for LiftUP's annual retreat, NextGen gatherings, the Portland Opera Guild's Board Meeting, and even a practice room for Lincoln High School's Color Guard!



We improved our historic facilities:

On our **Flanders Street Campus**, we

- added the **Sherry Eder Fun Ground** as a play area for The Jennie and our littlest Religious School students



To **increase campus security**, we

- added light poles to campus*
- added fencing* to secure electric infrastructure
- added fencing at the Glisan and Flanders street stairs to limit neighbors using the CBI campus as a cut through.
- will make significant security improvements* to the CBI Plaza this summer (just in time for Shabbat on the Plaza!)

**funded by Nonprofit Security Grant Program*

To **increase campus security**, our

- Safety and Security Committee and Board of trustees regularly evaluate campus and communicates with law enforcement on best practices

Under the leadership of the Cemetery Committee and David Rosencrantz, made some major improvements to the **Beth Israel Cemetery**, including:

- Repaving the cemetery pathways and parking areas

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- Removing and major pruning of hedges and large trees that were overgrown and/or not healthy
- Organizing congregational cemetery clean up and headstone cleaning



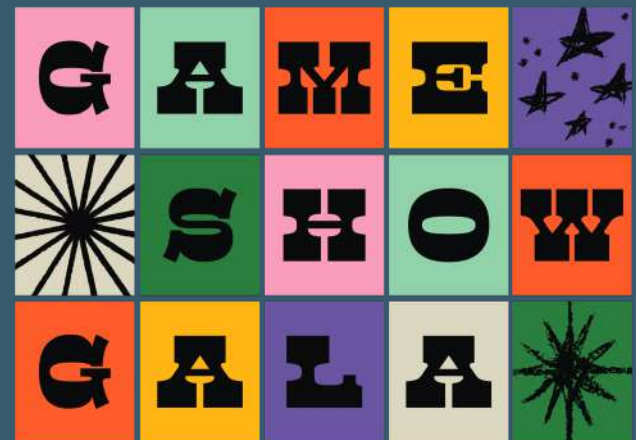
A community this colorful
deserves an evening of sparkle,
and wow did we ever get it at the
Game Show Gala!



Over the course of this glitzy, retro evening

- one iconic host Poison Waters
- eleven Portland Treasures for our riff on Hollywood Squares
- dozens of unflappable congregant volunteers
- and hundreds generous donors who helped us raise over \$415,000

added up to a
truly winning event!





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**of blessed memory*

Statement of Financial Position

	March 31, 2026	June 30, 2025
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 558,517	\$ 680,050
Grants receivable	-	-
Accounts receivables		
Unrestricted, net of allowance	521,004	47,114
Temporarily restricted, net of allowance	148,020	403,802
Prepaid expenses	41,566	37,039
Total current assets	1,269,107	1,168,005
Noncurrent assets		
Other	26,876	26,271
Long-term investments	14,372,132	13,756,561
Beneficial Interest in perpetual trust	538,043	538,043
Land, property and furnishings, net	6,021,034	6,021,034
Total noncurrent assets	20,958,085	20,341,909
Total assets	\$ 22,227,192	\$ 21,509,914
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Note Payable	\$ -	\$ -
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	261,311	255,402
Total current liabilities	261,311	255,402
Deferred compensation	112,802	112,802
Deferred revenue	35,827	257,027
Total liabilities and deferred income	409,940	625,231
Net assets		
Net assets, Beginning	20,884,687	20,217,426
Change in net assets	932,565	667,261
Total net assets	21,817,252	20,884,687
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 22,227,192	\$ 21,509,918

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets

	Nine months ending March 31, 2026	Budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2026	Prior fiscal year ending June 30, 2025
Revenues, gains, and other support			
Annual Membership Dues	1,659,839	1,589,123	1,543,626
Tuition, fees and sales, net income	306,032	317,252	294,120
Fundraisers, Events, & EFI - net income	385,117	350,950	528,228
Other Use fees and special event income	66,361	39,500	80,241
Rental (Elite Apts), net income	54,694	81,201	89,096
Investment Income	728,764	-	1,452,175
Other unrestricted income	96,660	-	141,129
Net change in beneficial interest in perpetual trust	10,000	24,000	26,000
Total unrestricted support	3,307,467	2,402,026	4,154,615
Net assets released from restrictions:			
Endowment support	0	228,609	252,761
Tribute and other temporarily restricted fund donations	422,447	204,420	417,578
Temp restricted funds support released into operations	683,224		221,266
Temp restricted funds support released from restrictions	(683,224)		(766,671)
Total restricted support	422,447	433,029	124,934
Total revenues, gains and other support	3,729,914	2,835,055	4,279,549
Expenses			
Salaries, Benefits & Related Expenses	1,530,318	2,132,509	2,105,185
URJ Dues	67,500	90,000	90,000
Program Related Expenses	252,588	215,970	239,980
Building and Grounds & Maintenance and Major Care	192,434	174,584	247,729
General Office & Admin Expenses	72,810	91,411	91,639
Insurance	97,983	102,078	98,237
Utilities	111,475	132,203	140,587
Security	22,842	30,748	26,811
Emerson	0	-	-
Other	175,240	72,975	150,524
Depreciation and capitalization	-	-	366,092
Cemetery	243,564	-	-
The Jennie net operating gain/(loss)	30,595	(75,000)	(55,504)
Total expenses	2,797,349	3,117,478	3,612,288
Total change in net assets	932,565	(282,423)	667,261
Net assets at beginning of year	18,525,321		17,858,060
Net assets at end of the period (including The Jennie)	19,457,886		18,525,321



Whether you joined us for a concert, a class, a parade, a potluck, or a service, **thank you for being a part of our community.**

