

Annual Report Card 2019-2020 Celebrating Over 100 Years of WRJ-Beth Israel Sisterhood Kathleen Doctor, President

The mission of Sisterhood is to bring woman together and to support and benefit Congregation Beth Israel and the community by providing opportunities for friendship, service, spiritual growth and learning

A group of dynamic women at all ages and stages of life, WRJ-Beth Israel Sisterhood provides connections for members through social hours, social action, education, and spiritual enrichment

The Numbers

221	Sisterhood Members
\$3500	Donated to Religious School, Camp Kalsman, & Preschool programs from Gift Shop sales
120	Care Packages sent to college students and military personnel for Chanukah and Purim
60	Fall Membership Brunch with Sisterhood's own Oregon AG Ellen Rosenblum as speaker
Hundreds	Period products collected to support the Somali American Council of Oregon
100	Jars of honey sent at Rosh Hashanah via Honey from the Heart
15	Attended WRJ Pacific District Area Day of learning and networking
10	Attended WRJ Fried Leadership Conference in May 2020
1	Wheelchair donated to member in need

Significant Achievements and Activities

- Operate and staff Gift Shop which provides the CBI & PDX community with Judaica, tallitot, and more
- Social Action & Advocacy programs including partnering with the WRJ-RAC Reproductive Health & Rights Campaign, hosting monthly social action meetings via Zoom
- Became an official chapter of PERIOD.org whose mission is to end period poverty & period stigma
- Led Mitzvah Day Cup and Cloth workshop
- Provide free menstrual products to CBI restrooms
- Funded purchase of two "Stop the Bleed" kits for the Sherman Education Building
- E-Newsletter sent to over 600 members of CBI every 3 weeks
- Laila Lavan Dinner and Havdalah under the stars
- Awarded WRJ's Or Ami Program Award "Light of My People" for Exceptional Programming
- Programs including Breast Cancer Awareness, Social Action, Social hours, Craft night, Chanukah party, Theater nights, Docent lead tours at local museums, Membership coffees, Havdalah and more
- Lead Shabbat Services monthly to residents & families at Cedar Sinai Park
- Sponsor CBI Women's Seder
- Sponsor and coordinate Special Community Seder for over 30 members of the greater Portland Jewish community who would otherwise not attend a Seder
- Bake and coordinate Sweets Table for the Rosh Hashanah lunch
- Cook and provide breakfast for 300 families on Mitzvah Day
- Knit a Mitzvah members knit dozens of hats and scarves for those in need