



Name: Brooke Adams Hometown: St. Louis, MO Industry: Non-Profit Education Current Job: Marathon Scholars, *College Program Manager*

Short Term Goals	I hope to work for my current employer for the next 2 years at least and then possibly transition back to higher education to pursue another job helping first generation college students. I am very interested in climbing the ladder of the nonprofit world and hope to be an Executive Director someday. I am very interested in professional development opportunities and pursuing paths to grow as a community leader.
Long Term Goals	I hope to go back to school to potentially earn my MBA so that I can better lead a company someday. I have a lot of passion for working for marginalized communities and want to be an ED of a nonprofit. I would also like to someday make enough money to be able to support my family comfortably while giving back to my community in significant ways.
Non-profit Involvement	Recently moved to Portland and currently shul shopping
Something Unique	I really connect with my Judaism through social justice. I didn't discover my Judaism until I was in grad school, so I'm by no means a Super Jew, but I am engaged to one! My fiancé Elizabeth and I just moved out to Portland so she can pursue her degree in Judaic Studies at PSU. I love to engage in outdoor activities and social gatherings with other young professionals. I would prefer to be matched with a female mentor.
Bio	Brooke Adams has been working in Higher Education since 2010 and has a passion for serving under-represented student populations. Originally from the St. Louis, Missouri Brooke received her Master's degree in Community Social Work with a Certificate in Nonprofit Administration from Saint Louis University. Brooke is a natural community leader and loves bringing people together to share in traditions, engage in dialogue, and act for a just cause. In her spare time you can find her listening to podcasts while hiking, biking, or enjoying a fine cocktail.





Name: Benjamin Ariff Hometown: Los Angeles Industry: Marketing, Communications and PR; Entrepreneur Current Job: Straw to Gold, Self Employed, *Principal, Producer*

Short Term Goals	Develop local connections and a greater understanding of the business landscape in Portland
Long Term Goals	Establish myself as a valuable resource for this community.
Non-profit Involvement	Guatemalan Project
Something Unique	I have traveled to various countries for documentary work.
Bio	Benjamin is an entrepreneur with strong creative and strategic direction. He has experience in developing and creating content, directing design and implementing technology driven strategies. Benjamin has created and produced large scale websites, mobile sites, mobile apps, commercials, social campaigns, and brand systems for a variety of businesses. Working in different markets has fostered his ability to successfully collaborate across diverse work environments. Benjamin is also an architectural photographer and cinematographer.





Name: Nadine Astrakhan Hometown: Portland Industry: Business Current Job: Glostone Trucking Solutions, Safety Department Log Auditor

Short Term Goals	My short-term aspirations include narrowing my professional priorities and passions, including deciding whether I should pursue a Master's degree and figuring out what job sector I would be most useful in.
Long Term Goals	My long-term aspirations are to get involved in Jewish and LGBTQ non-profit work.
Non-profit Involvement	Board Development for Sigma Mu Omega national sorority
Something Unique	I am a passionate traveler and geographer - not only can I name every capital of the world, but I'm on track to visit 30 countries by the time I turn 30! My parents are immigrants from the USSR and instilled this passion in me.
Bio	My name is Nadine and I'm a 23-year-old trucking compliance auditor. I was born and raised here in Portland to Soviet immigrant parents and have a degree in Russian and International Studies from the University of Oregon. My hobbies include traveling, trying new restaurants, and trying to make my dog Ellie famous on Instagram. When I'm not visiting my little sister in McMinnville or relaxing in Lincoln City with my boyfriend, you can find me lifting weights at the J, doing ballet, or training for a half marathon. I hope to begin a career soon in Jewish enrichment, but like to keep my options open for jobs that inspire me to help my community.





Name: Max Barenberg Hometown: Portland Industry: Non-Profit; Education Current Job: B'nai B'rith Camp, *Rentals and Retreats Manager*; Mobile DJ Company called Blackboard Music. *Owner*

Short Term Goals Long Term Goals	Build BB Camp a successful rentals program, develop my business. It's unclear at this time. Hopefully a job I get to travel with.
Non-profit Involvement	Educational Recreational Adventures
Something Unique	I played professional football in the Israeli Football League.
Bio	Max is a passionate individual with an affinity for helping people, developing businesses, communication and executing large scale events. Currently he books all-inclusive overnight retreats as the rentals manager for B'nai Brith Camp and runs an entertainment company called Blackboard Music. In his free time he enjoys, playing basketball, seeing live music, going backpacking with his dog Sabas and eating dim sum.





Name: Emily Benoit Hometown: New York and South Florida Industry: Urban Planning, Community Development **Current Job:** Formerly at the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, Neighborhood Revitalization Division Short Term Goals I want to gain a deeper understanding of the relationships and social issues within the region. With a background in Sociology and Urban Planning, learning why the systems work the way the do is just as important as changing the way the systems work. So, in the short term, I would like to work for a City or a County. Non-profit Involvement Former Involvement with 'Repair the World' in New York City; Served as 'Community Fellow' in Baltimore. Long Term Goals In the long term, I want to help create resilient communities through public service. Something Unique While volunteering for a year in Baltimore City transforming vacant lots into green spaces and community gardens, I learned how to operate a Bobcat and drive a dump truck. Bio I very recently relocated to the Portland Metro Area from Washington, D.C. I grew up in upstate New York and south Florida, where I was very active in NFTY and attended Jewish summer camp. I received my Bachelors from University of Florida and my Masters from University of Maryland. In the future, I hope to focus my passion for social justice, community planning, and community building on creating incredible spaces and places.





Name: Ben Charlton Hometown: Silver Springs, MD Industry: Non-Profit – Events Current Job: B'nai B'rith Camp, Associate Camp Director

Short Term Goals	To continue in Jewish camping and positively affect the lives of Jewish youth
Long Term Goals	Follow my entrepreneurial spirit and get involved in real estate development
Non-profit Involvement	BB Camp
Something Unique	Color war champion, Buffalo Bills enthusiast, and used my college scholarship as the down payment for my first house when I was 19.
Bio	As the Camp Director at B'nai B'rith Camp, my year is highlighted by an incredible summer spent empowering youth. I moved to Portland in 2014 from Buffalo, New York where I was working as a teacher and completing my master's degree in economics. My passion for Jewish youth engagement, coupled with my unshakeable entrepreneurial spirit, found an incredible home at BB Camp. When I am not enjoying the sunshine at camp, you can find me on the basketball court or in my kayak.





Name: Beth Cohen Hometown: Philadelphia Industry: Urban Planning/Policy Current Job: Metro Regional Government, *Policy Coordinator in the Council Office*

Short Term Goals	I'm very focused on serving the public in some way and have enjoyed working on policies and projects that benefit our greater community. I'm pretty happy at my current job in the public sector and in the short term would be looking for additional opportunities to advance my career with my current employer or to work for another government agency or non-profit in the policy or project realm.
Long Term Goals	I'm not sure what issue I'd like to work on long term, but functionally I could see myself as a program manager or manager of staff in a government agency or non-profit. I'd like to have a job that accommodates some work/life balance.
Non-profit Involvement	Former professional at the Oregon Food Bank
Something Unique	I moved to Portland from the east coast about 10 years ago and didn't know anyone when I moved here. I've fallen in love with this place, but miss my family and the community I grew up with back east. I grew up in a community where there were a lot of Jewish people and it's been interesting living in a place like Portland where you have to work harder to seek out Jewish communities and activities. Now that I have a daughter who will be raised Jewish, I'd like to get more engaged in the Jewish community in Portland.
Віо	Beth Cohen grew up in Philadelphia and went to college in Michigan and has lived in Portland for about ten years. She has a graduate degree in urban and regional planning from Portland State University and currently works at Metro Regional Government. She lives in Southeast Portland with her husband and 2-year old daughter.

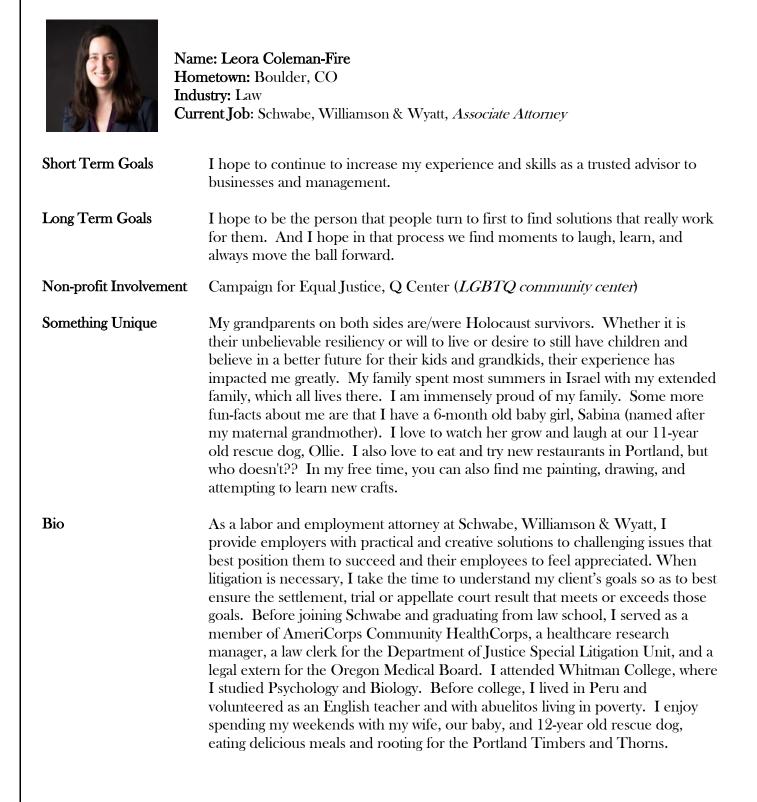




Name: Hannah Cohen-Cline Hometown: Seattle, WA Industry: Public Health Current Job: Center for Outcomes Research and Education, *Research Scientist*

Short Term Goals	Grow in my position, expand network of other public health researchers
Long Term Goals	Form vision that emphasizes social determinants of health, create research partnerships, become teacher/mentor
Something Unique	I play soccer, do modern and jazz dance, and bake and decorate creative cakes.
Bio	Hannah Cohen-Cline is an epidemiologist at the Center for Outcomes Research and Education. Her research focuses on understanding the social determinants of health, particularly those that disproportionately affect individuals and families living in poverty. She received her BA in public health from Brandeis University and her MPH and PhD in epidemiology from the University of Washington. She moved to Portland from her hometown of Seattle about a year ago. In her free time, she enjoys dancing, reading, hiking, and playing soccer.









Name: Alicia Hayden Hometown: Austin, TX Industry: Non-Profit; Technology; Human Resources Current Job: Intel, *Human Resources Partner*

Short Term Goals	To develop in the realm of employee engagement, volunteer/employee coordination and management, nonprofits, tech companies, and HR in general
Long Term Goals	Decide whether I want to continue in the for-profit sector doing HR or move back into nonprofit and do volunteer coordination
Non-profit Involvement	Ronald McDonald House Charities, Chabad of Hillsboro, LANFest
Something Unique	I have never worked for a for-profit company until I took the job with Intel, after finishing my master's degree.
Bio	Alicia recently moved to Portland from Austin, Texas to join Intel as an HR Pathways Partner. She attended the University of Texas at Austin, earning a BS in Communications HR and Texas A&M University earning her Master's in Public Administration - Nonprofit & Human Resources Management. Alicia has spent much of her career working with various nonprofit and volunteer-based organizations such as Austin Pets Alive, Ronald McDonald House Charities, LANFest, and DreamHack USA, where she specialized in volunteer coordination, management, and training. She also enjoys participating in local Chabad offerings, playing PC and board games, and spends her free time volunteering, traveling, experiencing new cultures, and meeting wonderful people.





Name: David Hirsch Hometown: London, UK; South Africa Industry: Finance or Financial Services; Healthcare Current Job: Kaiser Permanente, Manager, *Actuarial Data & Analytics*

Short Term Goals	Make an impact at Kaiser by bringing new skills and techniques to the organization, and achieve promotion to senior leadership within the next 2-3 years.
Long Term Goals	Lead a significant part of Kaiser's Northwest operations.
Non-profit Involvement	Shelter UK, Beit Issie Shapiro, Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
Something Unique	I used to be a SCUBA instructor in Eilat, Israel and developed some interesting non-verbal communication skills, having had to train russian divers without speaking the language!
Bio	I'm new to Portland after starting out life in South Africa and spending my last 30 years in London. After studying maths at Cambridge I worked one year as a SCUBA diving instructor in Israel before returning to London to train as an accountant at KPMG. After qualifying I moved into the advisory arm of the business where I led a team of financial modeling specialists; I'm still well-known there for the line: "If you can dream it you can do it in Excel!" Now I work at Kaiser Permanente leading a financial analytics group.





Name: David Holstein Hometown: Boston, Massachusetts Industry: Finance or Financial Services Current Job: Pok Pok Restaurants, *Controller*

Short Term Goals	To bring finance and accounting skills to a small to mid-sized company in the Portland area.
Long Term Goals	To step out on my own as a consultant for both personal and business relationships in order to work for myself and build my own brand.
Non-profit Involvement	Special Olympics - MA; Gateway Arts
Something Unique	I have been ski racing since the beginning of high school and started because injuries prevented me from playing hockey as a winter sport.
Bio	David N. Holstein graduated from Northwestern University in 2008 with a concentration in Economics and Business Institutions. For the past seven years he has worked in the finance and accounting sector with a worldwide leader in custodial banking. He and his wife moved to Portland from Boston to explore the natural wonder of the Pacific Northwest. <i>David recently accepted a position as the Controller for Pok Pok Restaurants and is working remotely part-time in property management.</i> David was an active member in Boston's Jewish community and is looking forward to bringing the same enthusiasm to Portland's vibrant Jewish scene.





Name: Jacob Maddis Hometown: Los Angeles area Industry: Real Estate Current Job: Pacific Residential Mortgage, *Loan Officer*

Short Term Goals As a mortgage banker who is still new to the industry, my short-term goal is to become more knowledgeable and build my expertise in the industry while establishing new connections and relationships with people who I can grow with and help. I also want to continue to learn and build on my experiences leading me to become a top producer at my company. Long Term Goals While my long-term career aspirations aren't still entirely clear I know I would like to one day start my own business. Whether a small business or something more entrepreneurial - like solving a problem for people - I believe I will discover the right path at some point along the way of my career. It is hard for me to pinpoint exactly what it is I would like to do or what kind of business I would like to start, but at some point I think I will find that problem or passion and act on it. Non-profit Involvement Past Volunteer at Clackamas Service Center & Homeless Shelter Something Unique I have a blue belt in Brazilian jiu jitsu. Unfortunately, I had to put it on hold when I moved to Portland and focus on my career, but I hope to continue my goal of becoming a black belt in the near future. Bio Jacob Maddis is a Los Angeles area native, but fell in love with the Pacific Northwest when he attended the University of Oregon. He has lived in Portland for just over a year and currently works as a Loan Officer with Pacific Residential Mortgage where he especially enjoys educating first time homebuyers and helping them become homeowners. In his free time, Jacob enjoys exploring the beauty of the Northwest, the many breweries and restaurants of Portland, and seeing different musical artists perform at any of Portland's great music venues.





Name: Sarah Philips Hometown: Overland Park, KS Industry: Non-Profit; Education Current Job: Sauvie Island Center, Education *Program Manager*

Short Term Goals	I recently started a new job as the Education Program Manager of a very small environmental non-profit. This is my first management level position, and my new responsibilities are both exciting and challenging. My short-term goals within the next several years are to help grow and strengthen my program. Although I am comfortable with the education aspects of my job, I am less experienced with the supervisory and management aspects. When looking at the list of mentors, I was particularly interested to see people working in volunteer administration, as this is one of my primary responsibilities and an area where I have lots of room to grow.
Long Term Goals	Right now I'm at a unique turning point in my career as I take on my first big leadership position. I have been working many part-time seasonal jobs since graduating college, and only now do I have the chance to take a step back and assess. I know that I hope to continue working, and eventually be a leader, in the environmental education field long-term, but I don't entirely know what that might look like. One major fear that I have in my field is that as I climb towards a higher level of responsibility, I might also move away from the work I'm actually passionate about, being outdoors and connecting people with nature.

Non-profit Involvement Jews Next Dor, Moishe House

Something Unique Although I see my career in environmental education as being separate from my involvement in the Jewish community, my passion for both comes from the same place. As a child, my parents sent me to Jewish summer camp in the Colorado Rockies. It was my first experience with wilderness, and set me on my path towards sharing my love of nature and with others. One reason I became so deeply connected was because of the Jewish experience I had there with a tight-knit, supportive, and meaningful community. I would not be on the same path today if it were not for that experience. Incidentally, I also picked up skills in guitar and song leading at camp, which I now use in my work in education. This summer, my favorite song to sing with my students has been "Gusano," a bilingual song about worms struggling to stay alive in the harsh world.

BioSarah Philips is an environmental educator, and currently works as the Education
Program Manager for the Sauvie Island Center. She also serves as the Religious
Chair of Jews Next Dor and is a former resident of the Portland Moishe House.
Sarah is passionate about connecting people with their community and with the
natural world.





Name: Jessica Pincus Hometown: Weston, Florida Industry: Financial Services Current Job: Fisher Investments, *Senior Account Executive*

Short Term Goals	Develop my sales skills and increase my knowledge of financial markets
Long Term Goals Non-profit Involvement	Financial investments and brokerage house Human Rights Campaign
Something Unique	During college I was the Executive Director for a month of LGBT events and sponsored these through Jewish groups on campus (Hillel and my sorority Alpha Epsilon Phi) and coordinated and led 20 to 30 events for the 40,000 students at the University of Florida.
Bio	I spent most of my life in Florida prior to moving out to the beautiful PNW over three years ago. I went to the University of Florida- go gators! I currently work in Finance for a firm up in Camas- just across the river. In my free time, I love to hike, kayak, and camp in the surrounding forests with my wife and son. I am looking forward to expanding my network while helping the community.





Name: Shayna Sigman Hometown: Los Angeles, CA Industry: Non-Profit; Education Current Job: Moishe House, *Resident*

Short Term Goals	I am trying to find a job in a non-profit or school program that serves at-risk youth, teaches sexual health, or is somehow involved in the larger education system. I am also looking at colleges/universities to be involved with student services.
Long Term Goals	I would like to be someone who does program design and curriculum development for adolescent programming.
Non-profit Involvement	Moishe House
Something Unique	I have spent most of my adult life in a teaching capacity, whether as an actual instructor in a school or doing life skills groups through camps and other non-profits. I worked for the Boy Scouts for a few summers and am interested in outdoor adventure programming.
Bio	Shayna grew up to in Los Angeles, CA and moved to Oregon in 2009 to attend Willamette University. There she studied Psychology with a minor in Religious Studies and served on the Board of Trustees Committee for Religious, Ethical, and Spiritual Living. After graduation she served as a Title 1 reading specialist in Forest Grove through the AmeriCorps program. She spent the last two years at Washington University in St. Louis obtaining her Masters of Social Work. Now back in Oregon, she is a resident of Portland's Moishe House and serves as the USY advisor for the Portland Rishonim Chapter.





Name: Emily Silverman Hometown: Bangor, ME Industry: Business; Education Current Job: Tomorrow's Genius, *Director of Education*

Short Term Goals	I want to be involved in managing and working with good people, doing good things
Long Term Goals	Partner/business executive
Non-profit Involvement	Volunteer at OMSI
Something Unique	We speak three languages in our home depending on our mood
Bio	Emily is the Director of Education for a start-up that runs remote educational programming across the US, and also functions as the Product Owner and Business Analyst for their educational technologies. She believes that understanding a student's environment and emotional culture is key to inspiring a love for learning. As a manager, Emily is a firm believer that "a person only learns in the place that his heart desires", and that constant professional development and peer collaboration make better, more dedicated and skilled employees. She is a lover of languages and thrives in a multi-cultural environment. Emily and her husband recently moved from Jerusalem to Oregon.



	Name: Nate Smith Hometown: Ludington, MI Industry: Non-Profit; Education Current Job: Oregon Jewish Community Foundation, <i>Foundation</i> <i>Administrator</i>
Short Term Goals	My short term aspirations are to continue to grow into a position which simultaneously allows me to continually learn and that enables me to use a variety of skills and knowledge.
Long Term Goals	My long-term aspirations would be to move into an upper management or director role, preferably in philanthropy, though finance, business, and law have always interested me (since poetry can't pay the bills). I would also like to attend graduate school at some point in the future.
Non-profit Involvement	I participate as a young Jewish professional on the OJCF Giving Council.
Something Unique	In addition to my involvement with the Jewish community, I am also very interested in local politics/organizing. I currently serve as the Secretary of the Buckman Community Association, and I serve as the Treasurer of SE Uplift Neighborhood Coalition (in which my role of treasurer also places me on the Executive Committee). Although the grassroots organizing of the neighborhood system differs from the Jewish community, I'm very passionate about the power of strong community and I'm very good at connecting with people. Fun-fact: I love writing and poetry.
Bio	Nathaniel "Nate" Smith, originally from the frigid shoreline of west Michigan, has been living in Portland since 2013. He is both professionally and personally invested in the Jewish community of Portland, working as the Foundation Administrator at the Oregon Jewish Community Foundation and volunteering with organizations such as the OJCF Giving Council, Jews Next Dor, and Moishe House. Nate is a firm believer in the power of community and grassroots organization. In his spare time he teaches religious school at Congregation Beth Israel and he also serves as secretary of the Buckman Community Association and treasurer of SE Uplift Neighborhood Coalition.
Bio	Michigan, has been living in Portland since 2013. He is both professionall and personally invested in the Jewish community of Portland, working as Foundation Administrator at the Oregon Jewish Community Foundation and volunteering with organizations such as the OJCF Giving Council, Jew Next Dor, and Moishe House. Nate is a firm believer in the power of community and grassroots organization. In his spare time he teaches religious school at Congregation Beth Israel and he also serves as secretar the Buckman Community Association and treasurer of SE Uplift





Name: David Stein Hometown: Vancouver, WA Industry: Technology; Medical - Health related Current Job: Providence Health & Services, *Clinical Information Analyst -Orthopedic Program*

Short Term Goals	Creating a healthy balance between growing my career and spending quality time with my young children (three and one years old) and wife. I am working on improving my skills related to data gathering and interviewing techniques to compile data-driven stories to answer questions on the job and elsewhere in life.
Long Term Goals	Growing my technical and "soft" skills to grow into a decision-making and influencing role. This will take experience interpreting data to turn it into meaningful action without as many intermediaries.
Non-profit Involvement	Congregation Neveh Shalom - Member of membership model task force, Bridlemile Neighborhood Association - Chair and member of Board of Directors
Something Unique	When I married my wife she was a part-time bike commuter and was adamant about getting me to ride with her on weekends. Over the past four years while working within a reasonable distance of my home I have now logged in excess of 11,000 miles including over 4,000 in the last year.
Bio	Growing up in Vancouver, WA and now residing in SW Portland, David has seen much of what this region has to offer. As a graduate of Western Washington University with a BA in Management Information Systems he now works as an analyst in health care to quantify patient outcomes and satisfaction so both can be improved. David and his supportive wife spend their time chasing two young children, cleaning up their messes, and developing connections with the Jewish community. He is also Chair of Bridlemile Neighbourhood Association and was recently honored as their Volunteer of the Year.





Name: Julia Weiss Hometown: Portland Industry: Marketing Current Job: Nike, *Brand Operations Manager*

Short Term Goals	Continue growing my marketing and philanthropy skills
Long Term Goals	Continue learning and growing as a person
Non-profit Involvement	Oregon Jewish Community Foundation Giving Council
Something Unique	I studied abroad in Haifa my Junior year.
Bio	Julia grew up in Portland where she attended Lincoln high school and was heavily involved in Water Polo, Mock Trial and OJCYF. Continuing her love for Social Justice and outdoor pools, she applied and was accepted into Pitzer College in Southern California. There she enjoyed participating in Jumpstart and Prototypes, both programs to mentor lower socio-economic children. Her Junior year she studied abroad at Haifa University in Israel and loved being immersed in the Israeli culture. After graduating, she spent 3 years working in LA, marketing for Fatburger Corporate. Leaving Fatburger as the Director of Marketing, she took a job at Nike to be the Brand Operations Manager for Sportswear. She has been in the Rose city for a year and a half and is excited to build a life here in Portland.





Name: Stuart Zeltzer Hometown: Michigan Industry: Medical - Health related Current Job: OHSU, *Resident physician*

Short Term Goals	Complete my four year residency training program in family medicine at OHSU. During that time I hope to interact and engage with many Portland communities, especially the Jewish community.
Long Term Goals	Full scope family medicine and health care policy. Wherever I end up I hope to be a resource and leader in the community.
Non-profit Involvement	Moishe House
Something Unique	I have a frisbee that has been to four continents and counting. As someone who likes to travel and experience the world I have been fortunate to visit wonderful places in North America, South America, Europe and most recently south east Asia. My most trustworthy companion has been this frisbee. Through dog bites in Spain, getting run over by a truck in Ann Arbor and beach towing in Thailand, this frisbee and I have been through some great travels.
Bio	A Midwest native and a graduate of the University of Michigan (Go Blue!!), I moved to Portland this year to start my Family Medicine Residency at OHSU after completing medical school in Cleveland. Jewish life and community has been a constant for me from summers at Jewish Summer Camp to integrating into Jewish professional communities of Cleveland via work with Moishe House and I look forward to diving deeper into the Portland Jewish Community through the PDX Pathways program. Otherwise I am an avid runner, reader and traveler who is already enjoying the many new trails of the Pacific Northwest.