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Leviticus AZA #2486, Big Apple Region #12



Aspiring for the High and Honorable Position of Your 89th Grand Aleph Mazkir

Leviticus AZA #2486

Positions Held/Accolades

- 16th Aleph Kohen Godol (2 terms) ²
- 15th Aleph Godol (2 terms) ¹
 - 9 to 22 Alephs
 - Partnership w/ local Rabbi
 - Most Improved Chapter of the Year
- 14th Aleph S'gan (2 terms) ¹
 - Brought 5-fold programming to chapter
 - S'gan of the Year
- AIT of the Year '09-'10

Big Apple Region #12

Positions Held/Accolades

- 35th Regional Aleph Godol ²
 - 70% of way to highest regional AZA membership in 6 years
 - Coordinated successful & enriching LTI
- Winter Convention Steering '11 ¹
- Spring Convention Steering '12 ¹

Grand Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph

Positions Held/Accolades

- IC 2013 Steering ²
- International Programming Chair:
 - Program Bank Team ¹
- Godol of CLTC Mock Chapter ¹
- International 'Bronze Shield of David' Award
- International 'Silver Shield of David' Award (applicant) ³
- ILTC Evening Program Committee ¹
- Proud Member in Good Standing since Jan. 2010



**"Lost time is never found again."
- Benjamin Franklin**

We will not lose time. We will act, we will move forward, and we will not look back.

Gentlemen, welcome to the 89th year of this Grand Order; let's make something of it.

¹ denotes past;
² denotes current;
³ denotes future/pending;
⁴ denotes delegate on international event;
⁵ denotes head delegate on international event

Involvement/Experience

- Fall RC '10 ¹
- Winter RC '11 ¹, '12 ¹
- Spring RC '11 ¹, '12 ¹, '13 ³
- ECK '11 ¹, '12 ¹, '13 ³
- RLTI '13 (coordinated) ¹
- IC '12 ⁴, '13 ⁵
- CLTC 3 '11 ¹
- ILTC '12 ¹, Kallah '12 ¹
- Feb Execs '12 ⁴, '13 ⁵
- August Execs '12 ⁴
- AIPAC HS Summit '11 ¹, Policy Conf. '12 ¹, '13 ³
- (All major chapter & regional events, excluding absence due to extenuating circumstance, since 2009)

Experience Outside BBYO

- Co-Administrator of School's Student-Run Blog
- Model United Nations Club (2 years)
- High School Moot Court Team (2 years)
 - City Champions
- High School Mock Trial Team (2 years)
 - City Champions, State Finalists

Get To Know Me

- 17 year old Junior from Bayside, New York
- Favorite subject: Psychology
- Favorite things to do: eat & read (simultaneously when possible)
- Favorite Shows: *Lost* & *Friday Night Lights*; lately I've been really into *House of Cards*
- I collect foreign currency, mostly cash

Goals

Communication, Globalization, & Fundraising for the 89th year of the Aleph Zadik Aleph

Communication

- PDF releases are not 100% effective in and of themselves; spreading advice through the **spoken word** (e.g. counterpart-wide conf. calls, webinars, G+ chats) in conjunction with releases will resonate stronger with Regional & Council Mazkirim/Gizborim.
- **Creating a unique sense of unity** among the Mazkir/Gizbor community is a priority. Through an interactive blog, counterparts will be able to post successes and questions (via text or video). Posts will send direct notifications to the inboxes of every Mazkir and Gizbor within the counterpart network. Replies will allow those in the counterpart network to lend advice and share strategies on a more comprehensive platform than facebook.
- I intend to send out updates on a given Mazkir's successful methods of communication (and their impacts) to the counterpart network so that **every Mazkir can share the successes of our 89th year.**

Fundraising

- To allow for more effective regional/council fundraising, I'll make it my goal to create a **Program Bank-like system for fundraisers** (and programs that involve fundraising), OR add a fundraising subsection to the program bank and/or Stand Up website.
- **Involve each region/council in ISF endeavors.** Although every region makes an ISF pledge, **the general membership should be behind that pledge**; this involves globalization programming and an understanding of the importance of ISF (on the organization and the global Jewish community as a whole).
- Establish the **Degrees of Fundraising Excellence** to encourage effective and efficient fundraising (parallel to that of the Degrees of Program Excellence).

My Brother Alephs,

In years past, at times when anti-Semitism prevailed, there were Jews who did not act. They cowered, caved in, or converted. **Not us.** No, when anti-Semitism smacked *our* founders in the face, they fought back with the initiation of this great Order. They poured their hearts into the futures of young Jewish men, into **our futures.** In our 89th year, we would do them a great injustice to kick back, sit idly by, and let things play out. We will not do so. We will act with passion, fervor, and determination. **We will move to change the order and the world.** We will speak, and **we will be heard.** We will make an impact; **we will make a difference.**

Fraternally submitted with undying love and dedication to the Grand Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph,
I forever remain,
Aleph Daniel Jay Widawsky, a **damned proud Aleph.**

Globalization

- **Bring globalization to the roots!** Share global experiences on a regional/council level – while showing the order the importance of ISF – by bringing overseas teens to North American RC's (and vice versa).
- Work with the Global Networking Committee (GNC) to **reevaluate, renovate, and revolutionize our approaches to ISF and globalization** as a whole. This includes frequent conference calls with the GNC to **assess and adjust to the changing global dynamic** over the course of the year.
- Send at least **2** teens from **each global community** to a summer experience, international event, and/or RC.
- Add to B-linked an online store selling bumper stickers, tees, hoodies, sweats, and more – the profits of which would go towards ISF.

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- **I pledge to be accessible as often as humanly possible** (through text, iChat, iMessage, Skype, FaceTime, G+, Facebook, Twitter, Blogger, email, and more). Accessibility will be one of my priorities; I will **always** be reachable for help, advice, and a second opinion.
- I hope to work closely with my predecessor from the outgoing 88th Grand Board to **learn the ins and outs of this unique position.**
- I intend to make a difference in the order and in the world, not by myself, but with the help of the Mazkir/Gizbor counterpart network and the order in its entirety. **Together, we can impact the world.**



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