

Aleph Godol Max Fisher AZA #337

Dedicated Aleph
Dedicated Fisherman
Charter Member
Aleph Gizbor
Aleph S'gan
Bittker Chairman
Constitutional Chairman

Chapter Meetings
Chapter Functions/Programs
Chapter Fundraisers
Chapter Community Service
Bittker Weekends
Council Meetings
Elections Training Conclave
Fall Conclave
Regional Convention
Young Leadership Conclave
Austin Cantor VIP

Positions Held

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Events Attended

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Michigan Region GLC #63

2006-Life 2006-Life 2006-Life 2006-2007 2007-2008 2008-2009 2008-2009

2006-2009 2006-2009 2006-2009 2006-2009 2007-2009 2006-2009 2006, 2008, 2009* 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009* 2007 2007 2007

"The very essence of leadership is that you have vision. You can't blow an uncertain trumpet."

-Theodore M. Hesburgh

"The struggle is not over, as we read in the newspapers every day. You must all carry on and I will be with you all the way as long as I am able."

-Max M. Fisher on serving the Jewish Community

^{*}Denotes will be attending

Goals, Ideas, the Future of the Chapter

Aleph Godol

- Be the representative of the chapter to the region. Making sure that our best interests are represented.
- Be in contact with regional president, and office staff.
- Be in contact with advisor on a near daily basis, and executive board bi-weekly
- Ensure that every chapter member is getting what they want out of AZA by
 - 1. Listening to everyone's ideas
 - 2. Create an idea box that Alephs can submit ideas to, thus getting Alephs more involved, and allowing the board to see what members want in the chapter
 - 3. Get to know all members well
 - 4. Try to involve all members the operation of the chapter
- Continue to enhance the fraternity between brothers.
 - 1. Connecting Senior members with freshman (mentor/big brother)
 - 2. Team Building Activities
 - 3. Push paper/ less active members to come to more events and meetings through big brothers or idea box to understand what is missing from their AZA experience
 - 4. Separates combined with boundary breaker programs
- Make meetings efficient, plentiful, worth while
 - 1. All meetings should be combined with some sort of activity/program. We already have everyone together, why not do something?
 - 2. Establish behavior at meetings as professional but fun
 - a) Continue take 5
 - b) Make meetings more interesting so that members are more entertained, therefore less likely to act up and talk
 - c) Create environment where every one feels comfortable expressing their own opinions with out being put down or overpowered (idea box)
 - d) Meetings should be fun, but have a deeper purpose
 - 3. Make meetings new member friendly and explain what's going on, how to make a motion, what each position does, ect.
 - 4. Chapter meeting every other week or more when necessary
 - 5. Executive board meeting once per month at minimum
- Executive board needs to functioning and thriving. Godol should be involved in all aspects of the chapter
 - 1. Board members are expected to do their jobs to the best of their ability. But once there, the Godol and all chapter members should push them to go further and excel beyond expectations.
 - 2. The Board member in a certain position doesn't mean he is the only one that can do that job. All chapter members are able to help with any position.
 - 3. Neglecting responsibility
 - a) If the board member ran and was elected, they are expected to accept responsibility.
 - b) A board member not doing their job needs to ask for help or resign.
 - c) The chapter, the Godol, and the executive board needs to be able to supply their brother with support, help, and encouragement
- Communication: Everyone needs to know what's going on in the chapter
 - 1. Members should be annoyed by how many reminders they get
 - 2. All forms of communication need to be over used
 - 3. Physical reminders can and should be used more often. (normal mail, telling people in person what is happening)
 - 4. Set up twitter account for easy and mass communication
 - 5. Set up parent meeting to help parents understand what is going on in the chapter. Inform them of ongoing community service projects and fundraisers, plus upcoming big programs.

- Create leadership in the chapter that secures the chapter's well being when founding members (seniors) leave.
 - 1. Establish that members are what makes the chapter, the heart and soul
 - 2. Committees created for specific reasons, will have a report on the agenda. This way, they can show progress made. Previously committees weren't held accountable to get things done
 - 3. All members should realize that they have the power to create anything they want within the chapter, so there is no reason to not be involved because you don't like it. If you don't like it CHANGE IT! Let someone know what you think
 - 4. Big bothers should serve as a way to get more members involved.

Executive Board as a whole

- Set good example for other members
- Collaborate with other board members and chapter
- Be in contact with advisor and Godol on a Weekly Basis, regional counterpart monthly
- Be VERY ACTIVE in attendance and contribution to the chapter
- Programs do not have to be just planned by one person (two brains are better than one)
 - 1. The five folds overlap, they are not distinct. The Executive board's jobs are the same way.
 - 2. Work together to plan multi-fold functions that could also be fundraisers or help with the website/newspaper, or be community service
 - 3. Programs do not have to be planned solely by the officer

Aleph S'gan

- Function with a variety of chapters. Especially smaller chapters that are struggling, we were once in their
- Get to know other chapter's S'ganim, so planning functions will be quicker and easier
- Use all chapter members and resources to help plan things.
- Programs should be at least two folds or, one fold and something beneficial to the chapter (like a fundraiser).
- Involve younger members in planning, which will help teach them how to plan
- Create committees that actually do things. Check up on them regularly and push them to excel through help and encouragement
- Check up on chairmen often
- Run executive board meeting efficiently, and make them plentiful and worthwhile
- Plan end of year CEDAR POINT trip
- Plan an amazing Senior Lives program to honor our Founding class

Aleph Moreh

- Involve everyone in recruiting members; it is not just your job!
- Plan for major recruitment in January to replace seniors, you can start talking to 8th graders NOW!
 - 1. If every outgoing senior recruits just one member to fill their spot, that will fill the much needed membership drive, by greatly dividing up the work
 - 2. Even if only half the outgoing members recruit one member to fill their spot this substantially decreases the number of spots to be filled
 - 3. Set monthly goals in the spring in which x amount of new members should be recruited
 - 4. There are multiple ways to recruit. Phone-a-thons, legacies, and all methods can be used
- Help new members feel comfortable as they come in
- Create AIT board and/or big brother system
- Cheering doesn't have to be just for Separates: teach cheers to keep moods high and people busy
- Network: Get to know who is out there and is available for recruitment
- Education doesn't always have to be about BBYO
 - 1. According to the blue book education is the process of alephs learning and being more aware of the world around them
 - 2. Plan a fisher AZA Finals study session
 - 3. Work with the Shaliach to bring political and social issues to the chapter

- 4. Plan BBYO education functions but don't advertise it as one. BBYO information can be incorporated into any function.
- 5. Make BBYO mnemonic devices to help retain information

Aleph Shaliach

- Stress Social Action! It is just as important as community service.
- Find out what issues matter to the chapter, for example show a quick informational video about what's going on in the world during your report at meetings
- Make community service interesting. Don't just go to hospitality house and work; plan a program there to make it interesting. Who can stock the most cans in 5 Minutes?
- Find community service projects that make a lasting impression: instead of manual work, find jobs involving people like the elderly or autistic
- Ongoing community service is great but don't limit yourself to just that. Look in to little ways to help the world. (Recycling, make our chapter GREEN)
- Increase Judaism by having it be present in multiple ways. It could be as simple as a Jewish fun fact to a havdalah service to singing a Jewish song while you work

Aleph Gizbor

- Make a reasonable, flexible, and realistic budget, that make sense
- Checkbook **must** be balanced after every transaction
- Stabilize bank account. No transaction should ever put us under \$200 unless in an emergency. The more money we have stockpiled the more we are able to use our money freely
- Use other resources to balance Bank account (such as Microsoft Excel, Quickbooks, online banking)
- Fundraisers need to be often (every month) but they don't have to be pure fundraisers. Plan with other board members so that it seems like a normal function open to the public, making it more appealing to the general population.
- Have fundraisers that are ongoing, not a one time event while planning event fundraisers. This gives us some constant income (i.e. bottle drive, penny wars, ink cartridge recycling ect)
- Plan specific fundraisers for Bittker weekends and Regional Convention to lower price
- Use the money!
 - 1. Subsidize! Subsidize! Subsidize! There should be multiple programs that don't cost a cent.
 - I as Aleph Godol would encourage the chapter to donate minimum to I\$F, and put the money towards a charity that means more to the chapter. But this needs to be a decision made by the chapter

Aleph Mazkir

- Must be at all meetings
- Make minutes accessible to everyone through e-mail, post it on the website and facebook.
- Send all minutes to regional Mazkir
- Let others know about summer programs, one program per meeting
- Create/plan a summer program seminar, and/or at parent meetings promote to parents what their child can benefit from sending them to summer programs
- Help all other members and officers. Do as much as you can to help the chapter

Aleph Katvan

- Make a complete roster/buzz book
- Call, text, email, mail, facebook, and word of mouth should be over used
- If people seem annoyed when you tell them about an event you've done your job

Aleph Sopher

- Keep our newspaper reputation at RC strong!
- Website should be a source of information that members can go to if missed a meeting Post minutes upcoming events ect.
- Plan Programs! Have people come together to write poems, articles, draw, paint, play music. Record what you've found post it in the newspaper or on the website.

Bittker Chairmen

- Make sure everyone that wants to go Bittker gets a chance to go. Our chapter is big there's only 20 Bittker spots
- Plan early so you can go at a slow pace, don't procrastinate

Regional convention Coordinators

- Start Early! Cheer, talent show and a variety of other events can be started before the rule book comes out (start now)
- Arrange RC practices beforehand not just at sleepovers
- Use idea box to get ideas then go to the committees to finalize the ideas. This avoids those pesky meeting where we try to figure out what were doing. A lot more time for brainstorming
- Do specific regional Convention fundraisers to cover cost.

Fraternity/ Athletic Chairman

- Plan programs: Flag Football practices, teambuilding activities, pick up basketball games
- Know your brothers

Members

- BE INVOLVED! You are the chapter, voice your opinion.
- If you want to do something get on a committee or become a chairmen or simply just help out with anything!
- Come to events

My Brother Alephs,

We have flourished greatly in the past four years since the founding of our grand chapter. In the face of adversity we have triumphed, even when we thought it not possible. This year marks a beginning of a new age in Fisher AZA, and I will lead us to greatness that we would have never thought of four years ago. John F. Kennedy once said, "Ask not what your country can do for you - ask what you can do for your country." I constantly ask myself to do the same: Ask not what my chapter can do for me, but rather what I can do for my chapter. Under my leadership I will push and support every Aleph to answer this question, and they will excel. The amount of things we can accomplish by putting our heads together is infinite. I see 45 young men in Fisher AZA today can with the help of each other, change our lives and maybe even change the world. If each Fisherman inputs an amount of effort into AZA the output of that effort is tenfold of what we can accomplish on our own. And I will put all my effort into Fisher, leading the way and setting the example.

Since the beginning of my time in Fisher AZA I have changed drastically! I stand before you today ready to lead, inspire, and achieve goals that were once unimaginable. I look upon things with an open heart and an open mind. Allow me to lead each and every Aleph to the point where Fisher AZA is their second home. Conclaves, conventions, programs, Bittkers, community service, and all that is AZA creates more than fraternity, it creates Family.

Fraternally submitted with undying love for, Max Fisher AZA #337, Tony the Tiger, and the Aleph Zadik Aleph, I remain,

Aleph Mitchell Allen Krieger

"I have seen farther than others, that was because I was standing on the Shoulders of Giants"

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