



Aleph

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Grand Aleph Godol*



Regional Events Attended

B'yachad Leadership Convention
2008, 2009*, 2010**

Kickoff Dance
2008, 2009, 2010

Fall Convention
2008, 2009*, 2010*

Kallah Judaism Convention
2009*, 2010*, 2011**

BBYO Sound Tigers Game
2009, 2011

Spring Convention
2008, 2009, 2010*

Beau Sweetheart Dance
2009, 2010

AZAA
2009, 2010

J-Serve
2009, 2010

* Committee Chairmen
** Coordinated

Region: Connecticut Valley Region, #17
Chapter: Leviticus AZA, Chapter #2387

Qualifications

Overall membership and AZA membership in CVR is currently at a 10 year high

Since coming onto regional board I've effectively helped establish 2 new chapters in Willimantic, Connecticut and Longmeadow, Massachusetts. I've also helped a BBYO chapter split and remain stable on both the AZA side and the BBG side.

In the past 2 years I've helped the chapters in my region raise over \$20,000 for organizations such as the United Jewish Federation, Relay For Life, and Making Strides against Breast Cancer

Attendance at regional events is currently at a 10 year high with close to 65% of our members attending conventions

I've played a large role in coordinating J-serve in Connecticut as a state-wide event rather than separate community programs.

I revived the Westchester BBYO region by coordinating, planning, and running every program for them in 2010. After starting the year with 0 involved members they now have close to 70 which gives them enough momentum to become their own region.

I've been able to effectively sort out strengths and weaknesses amongst my board and delegate responsibility accordingly which has contributed to our maximized production and efficiency this year.

International Events Attended

Chapter Leadership Training Conference
2009

International Convention
2010, 2011

February XX's
2010, 2011

International Leadership Training Conference
2010

August XX's
2010

Previous Positions Held

Chapter Sergeant In Arms 2007-2008

Chapter Moreh 2008-2009

Regional Spirit Chair 2008-2009

Regional Aleph Moreh 2009-2010

Regional Aleph Godol 2010-2011

International Chair
(Responsible for getting 2009 CLTC participants to go to International Convention)
2009-2010



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Vision For The 2011-2012 Programming Year

As Merriam-Webster Dictionary puts it, **networking** is defined as:

"The exchange of information or services among individuals, groups, or institutions;
Specifically: the cultivation of productive relationships for employment or business"

If I am elected as your 87th Grand Aleph Godol I envision an international order that is much more cohesive than it has been in previous years and **networking** will play a vital part in that. As the Aleph Zadik Aleph enters its 87th year my plan is to evolve BBYO as a network through interregional & counterpart communication.

Next year one of my main focuses will be utilizing modern technology to revolutionize the way we connect to other regions and our counterparts. It seems to me as if many of our regions suffer from very similar issues on a yearly basis. Some of these problems include low membership recruitment, weak Stand Up! campaigns, lack of innovative fundraisers and bland programming.

After seeing first hand how my region and others struggle to get these problems solved every year I began to ask myself, wouldn't it make more sense for each region to join together to solve similar issues? Why should every region have to fight these problems on their own? With a network of 28,000 teens available to us its absurd to not utilize what we have in front of us and work together to boost efficiency in our movement.

By creating a stronger form of interregional communication we are simultaneously mobilizing our movement and pushing forward faster than ever before. Because we have regions working alone it sometimes takes months for some regions to figure out how to create a higher standard for programming or how to boost membership recruitment. By connecting regions and counterparts with similar issues we can work faster on solving problems thus giving each region more time to work on new, innovative initiatives for their region to strive under.

In conjunction with the initial attempt to connect counterparts and regions there will also have to be a strong follow-up that occurs as regions go through the process of putting their plans into action. I've come to realize through my experiences in BBYO that every plan has a flaw that will eventually be exposed at one point or another. It's important that when those flaws are exposed the region dealing with the issue has a strong network of people to rely on to help them when things don't go the way they're expected too.

Moving into our 87th year I fully expect it to be the strongest year our movement has ever seen. By working together and becoming more efficient we'll have more time to reach out into our communities and focus on improving the world one step at a time. As your 87th Grand Aleph Godol I vouch to do everything in my power to mobilize our movement and truly make a difference in the lives of others.

With undying love and dedication for Leviticus AZA Chapter #2387, Connecticut Valley Region #17, and the entire International Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph,

I remain,

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