ALEPH AUSTIN HUNTER GOODMAN



Candidate for the High and Honorable Position of

87TH REGIONAL ALEPH GODOL

Of Michigan Region For the 2011 – 2012 programming year



"If your actions INSPIRE others to DREAM more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader." ~John Quincy Adams

EADERS

Dedicated Aleph Aleph Godol Aleph Moreh Aleph Kohen Godol RC Coordinator Bittker Coordinator **ETC Steering Committee** YLC 2 Saturday Night Services RC Committee (Laser Tag) New Chapter Committee CLTC Aleph Godol

Chapter Meetings

International Chairman: GrassRoots to Int'l International Chairman: Education Expansion

Kishon AZA #63 2008-Life 2010-2011 Kishon AZA #63 Kishon AZA #63 2009-2010 Kishon AZA #63 2011-2012 ^ 2011 ^ Kishon AZA #63 Kishon AZA #63 2010-2011 Michigan Region 2011 Michigan Region 2009 2009 Michigan Region Michigan Region 2011 2010 International Order 2009-2010 International Order International Order 2010-2011



Chapter Exec Board Meetings Chapter Bittker Weekends **Chapter Functions** Chapter Installations Chapter Elections Chapter Community Service Projects Chapter Senior Lives

Downtown Synagogue **Elections Training Conclave** Regional Convention Regional Events General Board Meetings Council Meetings Fall Kickoff Spring Kickoff Membership Kickoff Off Day Jewish Heritage Nights Challenge US! Fashion Unleashed VIP Weekend YLC 2 2009 Regional Hypnotist Program **Operation Counterparts CLTC 2 2010** Kallah 2010 **ILTC 2011**

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Senior Life - Josh Neuman Senior Life - Josh Leider Mr. AZA Beau Beau Amended Regional Constitution Rookie of the Year Creation of the New Blue Book

2009 Kishon AZA #63 Kishon AZA #63 2009 Ahavah BBG #293 2011 Ahavah BBG #293 2010-2011 2009-2010, 2010-2011 Emunah BBG #156 2010-2011 Kulanu BBG #419 Michigan Region 2009 Michigan Region 2009 International Order 2011 ~

^ Will be holding ~ Co-creator *Will be attending

instead Where there is no path and Leave a trail Do Not Follow Where the path May Lead

"Our goals can only be reached through a vehicle of a plan, in which we must fervently believe, and upon which we must vigorously act. There is no other route to success."

~Pablo Picasso

Personal Goals

Chapter Godolim: Unlike any other year, this year we already have a strong pack of Godolim to lead their chapters. It is my job as Regional Godol to guide them on their path. With the new AZA chapter, Harry Houdini AZA #88, we will have a Freshman Godol running the foundations of this chapter. Along with every other Chapter Godol, it is our job to work together as a team to create quality AZA programming and outstanding chapter efficiency. Throughout the year I look to have several intensive phone calls and meetings with the Chapter Godolim to make sure that each chapter is running at 100% efficiency and no one is being left behind!

Regional Board: It will be my job as Regional Godol to ensure that my Regional Board stays on task throughout the year. I plan to not only continue to contact and work hand in hand with each one of my executive board members, including chairman, but to also keep them active by setting up various board competitions and creating a friendlier and more open atmosphere between all of us which will ultimately cause a more open feeling towards the entire region. Most members get drained by the end of the year and it is my job to ensure that they will stay 100% active and stay 100% in their productivity for every single month of their term!

Meetings: Council Meetings, Executive Board meetings and General Board meetings, along with strong chapters and active programming are what makes this region thrive, and keeps everyone so tight knit. Yet, they can get out of control. It will be a goal of mine to make sure that the most respect is given at council meetings through cracking down on the problem areas. Nonetheless, all three of these types of meeting will occur once a month to ensure that as a region, we are functioning at the highest level.

General Board Retreats: This is something that has never been done before. I feel as though that if the General Board had an opportunity to go up to Bittker 3 times throughout the year, once in the summer, once right before RC and once after RC; We would have an outstandingly unified board that would work together well to get more Regional work and events planned and completed.

Regional N'siah: Working with the Regional N'siah and sharing ideas with her throughout this year will be a vital part of creating our grand vision of stability of the new chapter, innovative programming as well as staying united as a board, feasible. Working with my counterpart will create a bond between us that will balance decision making. All decisions that relate to the region as a whole will be thoroughly pondered between my fellow N'siah and I!

Austin Kanter V.I.P. Weekend: V.I.P. is a weekend where we are all re-inspired and re-motivated to complete our tasks as Godolim for the next programming year. It is a huge goal of mine to create a fun and open atmosphere for learning and ideas. I would really like to make V.I.P. more interactive and create committees of Godolim to plan a program, which would not only get the information across but embody us with the knowledge that we need. Through activities, programming, and separates, it is my vision to create a team of Godolim to live for the next year!

Joy and Allan Nachman Executive Weekend: One of my biggest goals for the year is Board Unity. If we are united as a whole we can accomplish anything. Executive Weekend will be a perfect way to lay the foundations of this. At Exec weekend I plan on having a lot of board bonding programs along with inspiring and informational programming on how to be an active leader and board member within the region!

Mid West Kallah: Something that has been talked about for a long time is revamping a conclave or convention...But what about adding one? Mid West Kallah, the fourth convention of the year would be an amazing addition and a huge historic stepping stone for Michigan as a whole. It is a HUGE goal of mine to contact and work with other regions from around the Mid West regions to create this amazing weekend of Judaism, fun and experiencing International BBYO at its finest.

ALEPH S'GAN

Regional Programming: This is something that is often looked over. It will be a large task of the S'gan to guide any member to lead or plan a program, along with planning his own.

Michigan Region Program Bank: This is a new idea that could really create quality programming. It will be ran and created by the S'gan and the Sopher. It is will be a regionally based website where any one person can put in entries for programming ideas. This will also be open for the entire order to see!

Awards: It is the job of S'gan to create a new and applicable awards packet.

Conclaves/Conventions: These will now be *monitored* by the Regional S'ganim, to create innovative and quality programming. Their job is to *guide* the chairman of these events.

Operation Counterparts: This has often been looked over but can be very informative and helpful for every single board member in the region. It will be the job of the S'ganim to create programming and activities.

ALEPH MOREH

L.H. Young Leadership Conclave: It will be the job of the Morim to create and present a program at YLC that will be innovative and very informative. The Moreh and I will also create a relationship with the coordinator, to *guide* him.

Fall/Spring Kickoff: Create a fun and open place for new 8th grade recruits to experience chapters. Make it well thought out and something new.

ucation: BBYO is a place to find yourself and learn leadership skills taught in any other youth group or any other youth ran organization. It will be a largely enforced job of the Moreh to ensure that AIT's have a new home in AZA. This will be done through the creation of either an AIT Handbook or through better educational programming.

Retention: Michigan Region has the one of the largest membership bases in the order. It is our job to work together to find ways to keep alephs active through programming and fun conventions!

Recruitment: Don't stick to the status quo of typical recruitment. Through this year I will work with the elected Moreh to create a membership campaign that works for everyone in the region.

Harry Houdini AZA #88: These 15 boys need the most attention and recruitment of any chapter. Houdini needs a helping hand in building AZA into a huge part of BBYO in the Huntington woods area. The Regional Moreh and I will be attending as many of their programs and events as possible to ensure that they are running correctly and are growing every day!

ALEPH SHALIACH

Stand UP!: In past years we have picked a Stand UP! Cause and attempted to raise money for it. I think our Stand UP! Organization should be a well thought out plan that we can advocate, work and raise money for!

Community Service: Plan a continuous Community Service initiative that happens once a month as a regional community service event.

Judaism: The one thing that links us all is Judaism. We need to bring it back into the region and create an environment for every sector of Judaism and not just stick to the social networking aspect of the organization.

gional Convention: Plan a Community Service event that is andatory at Regional Convention.

Mid West Kallah: Planning a Mid West Kallah would be a huge responsibility of the regional Shaliach. They would be encouraged to create Judaic programming and Israel advocacy activities that would be special for this type of event. This event could be historic and it will take a lot of planning, and my plan is to have the Shaliach be a great part of it!

ALEPH GIZBOR

Stand UP!: Philanthropy is a huge part of Stand Up! My goal is to find a place we can raise money for along with advocate and work for!

Budgets: It is the job of the Regional Gizbor to have a budget ready for the region and help set one up for each chapter.

Spirit Wear: Selling Regional Spirit Wear at Conventions and Conclaves would be a huge contributor to our Stand UP! Cause and our regional scholarship fund.

Regional Fundraising Extravaganzas: We will have 3 of these a year. Consisting of either parties/dances, benefit concerts or all night parties!

ALEPH MAZKIR

Summer Experiences: Summer programs are a pinnacle part of our order. It will be a crucial aspect of this position to create an initiative that will increase attendance in summer experiences.

Communication: Make sure that everyone knows what is happening with meetings along with summer programming information.

Minutes: Take minutes and upload them onto the Michigan Region website.

Chapter Mazkirim: Motivate and inspire young alephs on board to make something of their positions!

ALEPH SOPHER

Regional Website: We can and we should have a regional website! This is going to be the main task of the Sopher! Dashboard is great, but we need something Michigan Region made! For example, the Michigan Region Program Bank!

News Articles: Put a monthly article in the Jewish News or the Free Press about the happenings of Michigan Region BBYO.

End of the year Project: Senior Dedication and an overall wrap up of the year should be completed by the Sopher. A video montage or year book delivered at Regional installations/awards.

INTERNATIONAL INVOLVEMENT

Summer Programs: It is our goal as a whole to make sure we have alephs from every chapter at each program for the summer. We should have no problem sending 75 alephs to summer programs for the summer of 2012.

International Convention: We need more members to go to IC. It is a huge international event and we should be in the running to win the Spirit Cup every single year!

Applying Internationally: It will be a huge goal of mine to have alephs from Michigan get as involved in leadership positions internationally as possible!



"A set definite
objective must be
established if we are
to accomplish
anything in a big
way."

~John McDonald



MY GRAND VISION



"Vision without action is a dream. Action without vision is simply passing the time. Action with vision is making a positive difference." ~Joel Barker

BOARD UNITY:

Having a united board makes things flow astronomically better. It is a completely different feel when you can work hand in hand with your brother alephs without any problems or conflicts. It is a huge goal of mine to make sure that boards not only know how to do their jobs but know how to help and be active in the planning process and deciding of nearly everything. Through chapter Godolim I will find out innovative ways of creating board bonding events and making sure everything is flowing well as a board. For without this, the chapter cannot function to its fullest.

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMMING:

Programming is a huge part of our order. It is what reminds us of our Jewish Heritage and what brings us together every weekend for brotherly activities. Within our region we seem to think that only regional leaders can plan regional programs. This year there were a lot of Regional Programs created by the leaders *not* on Regional Board. It is a big initiative of mine to have at least 3 regional programs on top of conventions and kickoffs throughout the year, whether they are planned by Regional S'ganim, Chapter S'ganim or just a member in good standing. This will also allot for perfect equality of time towards chapter programming and regional programming.

WORKING WITH THE NEW AZA CHAPTER:

Throughout time AZA has gone through many different phases of chapters. Some have stuck around for a long time, and some have a break of new light after folding. Every few years will there be a completely new chapter implemented into Michigan Region. Just recently, we have created history. Harry Houdini AZA #88 is the newest chapter to our region. It is a huge goal of mine to not only just check on them regularly, but to work hand in hand with their first Aleph Godol to get the chapter on their feet and learn the aspects of the order. I will take it upon myself to help them set their vision on what they want to be as a chapter.

"In a balanced organization, working towards a common objective, there is *success*."

MY BROTHER ALEPHS:

The opportunity for brotherhood presents itself every time you meet a human being. ~Jane Wyman

We all have something in common - a passion. A passion for this order that beats within our hearts. Together we must take this passion to the next level. It is time for the Alephs of Michigan region to step up and create the foundations for our grand vision: This vision is one of a united region brought together to grow, and prosper into something that we have never seen before. This vision will consist of chapters that will stretch and grow because of strong programming and a commitment to Jewish values. This vision consists of accomplishments like never seen before; the creation of chapter history, websites, innovative Regional & Chapter programming, and ultimately a brand new convention, Mid West Kallah. My Brothers, we have such a promising future and such a passion that nothing can stop us; we are one, we are the Aleph Zadik Aleph. It is only a matter of dedication, effort, passion, and leadership for us to realize that our dream can soon be a reality. For the past 86 years we have thrived on a passion to better our Jewish community, but we can do more. My Brothers, it is our me to make this 87th year, something to remember; something that will never be matched.

AZAlways,

Aleph Austin Hunter Goodman

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