



# **Aleph Daniel Steven Brilliant is Caucused for the Highly Esteemed Position of the 85<sup>th</sup> Aleph Shaliach of Northern Region East: DC Council #54**



## **Qualifications**

### **Chapter-**

- Member of Max Cowan AZA since August 2011
- Inducted into Chapter May 2012
- Aleph Shotare Godol Fall '11
- Israel Cowch Spring '12
- Speak UP Cowch Fall '12
- D'var Torah/Service Cowch Spring '13
- Aleph Shaliach Fall '13
- Statistics Cowch Spring '14
- Attended 95% of programs since induction
- Attended: RUSH 2011\*, Chapter Kallah 2012\*, Chapter Convention 2012, RUSH 2012\*, Chapter Convention 2013\*, Chapter Kallah 2013^, Cowan-Brandeis Sukkot Convention 2013^, Intake Night 2013, and Chapter Convention 2014#
- Planned Chanukah Program '11, Epic Meal Time Program '12, Beatles Program '12, Shark Conservation Advocacy Program '13, and Hunger/Homelessness Advocacy Program '14

**“The Jews started it all—and by ‘it’ I mean so many of the things we care about, the underlying values that make all of us, Jew and Gentile, believer and atheist, tick. Without the Jews, we would see the world through different eyes, hear with different ears, even feel with different feelings ... we would think with a different mind, interpret all our experience differently, draw different conclusions from the things that befall us. And we would set a different course for our lives.”- Thomas Cahill**

### **Council/Region-**

- Inducted into NRE in October 2011
- Attended New Member Weekend '11, Council Convention '12, RC '12, Council Convention '13\*, RLTI '13\*, RC '14\*, J-Serve 2014, and Council Convention '14\*
- Attended DC Council Kickoff Dances in Fall '11, Spring '12, Fall '12, Spring '13, Fall '13, and Spring '14
- Attended AZA Shabbat '12, '13
- Attended Sweetheart/Heartthrob '11, '12, and '13

### **International-**

- Inducted into International Order in August 2012
- Attended ECK 2012, CLTC 7 2012, IC 2013, ILTC 2013, International Kallah 2013, IC 2014, and ILSI 2014#
- Served on CLTC Chapter's Stand UP/Shabbat Services Committee, ILTC's Shabbat Planning Committee, and various Shabbat/Judaic programming committees at International Kallah
- AZA BBG Global Shabbat Outreach and Program Committee 2013
- Tree of Life Recruitment Award 2013

**“It's clear to me that one can't be Jewish without Israel. Religious or non-religious, Zionist or non-Zionist, Ashkenazi or Sephardic - all these will not exist without Israel.”- Elie Wiesel**

### **Other-**

- Student Aide at Columbia Jewish Community School

(\* indicates steering) (^ indicates coordinated) (# denotes future)



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<b>Goals- "If you will it..."</b>	<b>How Goals Will Be Met- "...then it is no dream (Herzl)"</b>
<b>Assist Shlichim counterparts in creating Judaic programming that best fits their chapter's identity</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discuss the specific Jewish identity of the chapter's programming (customs, pluralism, traditions, Stand UP! cause, likes, dislikes) with chapter counterparts at the start of each term</li><li>• Provide consistent resources for programs when necessary</li><li>• Encourage Judaic programming that follows the needs described in such discussion</li><li>• Attend one Judaic program per term in each chapter to get a feel of the overall Jewish identity of DC Council AZA</li></ul>
<b>Use Judaism as a factor of increased council/regional unity between chapters</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Create an AZA Shabbat program that involves the collaboration of all chapter counterparts in planning in order to include all of the pluralistic and unique Jewish identities of DC AZA</li><li>• Encourage Dual-Chapter Kallah programming as an easy way of becoming closer with Alephs in other chapter throughout the Council and even region</li><li>• Make services at conventions more interactive, varied, and easy to sit through for those who would not feel so otherwise</li></ul>
<b>Increase passion for Stand UP and Speak UP within DC AZA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Make chapter Stand UP programs open to all members of DC Council interested in the cause</li><li>• Heavily promote related programs such as KEY, J-Serve, AIPAC, East Coast Kallah, Stand UP Week, and Speak UP Week with registration and participation incentives (raffles, appropriately "embarrassing" myself, food rewards)</li><li>• Raise at least \$5000 total as a Council for chapter Stand UP causes with incentives for each chapter with the highest monthly total</li></ul>

My brother Alephs,

It is a known fact that only 17% of Jewish males remain active in the Jewish community post-Bar Mitzvah. Another known fact is that DC Council has more Alephs than any other region in the entire International Order. So, that adds up to passionate Jews, correct? Wrong. We need to establish a new identity in DC Council, the identity of the most passionately Jewish Alephs in the International Order. We have the best membership, we have the best programming, but all that is necessary to give us the title of the best council in the best region of the International Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph is a passion for our greatest commonality, Judaism. We have the potential for success, and, if elected, my number one priority is to guide us to the full realization of such potential and to help all of you make our Judaic programming and community service the best in the order, so long as you join me along for the ride.

Fraternally submitted with undying love for the Baltimore Ravens, music, CLTC 7 2012, Perlman Summer 2013, ILSI 2014, the International Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph, Judaism, and my heart and home, Northern Region East: DC Council #54 and Max Cowan AZA #2552, I forever remain,

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Proudly aspiring to be your 85<sup>th</sup> DC Council Aleph Shaliach