

# Daniel Natan Elyashiv Zvi

## Aspiring for the High and Honorable Position of Regional Aleph Godol of Wisconsin Region #64 of the International Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph

### Fraternity

"We have flown the air like birds and swum the sea like fishes, but have yet to learn the simple act of walking the earth like brothers."

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Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

### Events Attended

- **Regional**
  - Regional Kickoff 2012
  - Regional Kickoff 2013
  - Regional Kickoff 2014
  - SRC 2012
  - SRC 2013
  - SRC 2014
  - WRC 2012
  - WRC 2013
  - WRC 2014
  - YLC 2012
  - YLC 2013
  - YLC 2015\*
  - 20+ Onegs in 2014-2015
- **International**
  - CLTC 5 2014
  - International Convention 2014
- \* = Coordinated

### Positions Held

- **Bereshis AZA #39**
  - *Aleph Gizbor* Spring '13
  - *Aleph Moreh* Fall '13
  - *Aleph Moreh* Spring '14
- **Wisconsin Region #64**
  - *Regional Aleph Shaliach* '14-15

### Committees & Awards

- **Committees**
  - BBYO Connect Committee '12-13
  - Xtravaganza Committee '13-14\*
  - Global Shabbat Committee '14\*
  - Yomim Committee '15
    - Yom Hazikaron
    - Yom Ha'atzmaut
  - \* = led
- **Awards**
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grader of the Term Award '12
  - Beans-a-Leans Award '12
  - Tree of Life Award '14-15
  - Bronze Shield of David '14-15

### My Brother Alephs,

This past International Convention, I sat in a room for nearly nine hours contributing to the election of the 91<sup>st</sup> Grand Board of the International Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph. As the votes were being counted for the last election, Shaliach, a senior by the name of Yishai Barth wheeled to the front of the room and began speaking. I say wheeled because Yishai has a disease known as Cerebral Palsy. This condition keeps Yishai confined to a wheelchair; however, that did not stop him from becoming the centerpiece of my defining moment of AZA. As Yishai sat in front of a room of nearly 250 fellow Alephs, he began to speak from the heart about how we as Alephs have a duty to write our own history and keep the Jewish faith alive and well as long as we are on this Earth. As inspiring as all of this was, the most breathtaking part was those 250 Alephs standing proudly on their chairs doing the AZA heartbeat in unison as Yishai finished off his speech. That moment clearly displayed to me the importance of brotherhood and fraternity not only as a part of this great organization but as a part of life. As Regional Aleph Godol, I know that I can **and** will provide that same feeling of fraternity for **every Aleph** in this great region.

## Counterpart Communication

- **Bi-weekly Counterpart Calls**
  - Catching up with chapter Godolim on current events within the chapter
  - Notifying chapter Godolim on upcoming events regionally
  - Calls will be accompanied by **counterpart emails**: follow-up necessary to ensure goals are met between calls
- **Accountability**
  - Chapter Godolim will be expected to communicate on a bi-weekly basis
  - Chapter Godolim will be expected to evaluate the performance of each individual board member as a part of counterpart calls
  - Chapter board members must know the responsibilities for a given position before declaring for board
  - If chapter board members are not performing up to expectations, their regional counterpart will set a **performance improvement plan** in place to carry out over the remainder of the term

## Regional Innovation

- **Fraternity Month**
  - Uniting Classes through Freshman/Junior and Sophomore/Senior dinners throughout the month of October closing off with an **all AZA** dinner at the end of the month
  - Chapters will hold Brotherhood Sleepovers in weekends succeeding **AZA Day** (with Great Midwest Region AZA) on October 4<sup>th</sup>
- **Academic Big Brother Program**
  - Underclassman Alephs will have the opportunity to seek guidance from older members regarding academia outside of BBYO
- **Brotherhood of Gentleman (Philanthropy)**
  - Larger presence of AZA in the greater Milwaukee community
  - Send Wisconsin Region AZA out into the community separate from J-Serve to volunteer their time with a chosen cause
- **Overseeing Heifetz Liaison (Gizbor)**
  - Require monthly email updates from the Regional Gizbor including the state of Heifetz and any new programs that the Gizbor/Heifetz Board would like for the Regional Board to attend

## Regional Board Communication

- **Bi-weekly Regional Board Meetings**
  - Regional Board members will be expected to communicate with their chapter counterparts at least once prior to board meetings
- **Accountability**
  - Regional Board members must be able to understand and express when a chapter counterpart is in need of improvement
  - Regional Board members must take initiative to establish counterpart **performance improvement plans** for chapter counterparts, shall he feel that one is necessary
  - Regional Board members must be able to performs all duties required for their respective position

Fraternally submitted with an undying love for CLTC 5 2014, IC 2015, Heifetz BBYO #5608, Solomon AZA #2444, Nivayim AZA #2434, Wisconsin Region #64, and my heart and home Bereshis AZA #39, **I remain**

**Aleph Daniel Natan Elyashiv Zvi**