

YOUR CCBBG N'SIAH

is caucusing for the high and honorable position of

Just Like a Prayer:
Sarah Sinai! Fellman

My power you can feel in the midnight hour

BBG feels like home

Chai Chaverim BBG #1548-554

Chapter Sh'lichah Spring 2011:

- Organized a community service event
- Educated members about our Stand-Up cause
- Led Havdallah services

Chapter Programming committee 2011:

Chapter Winter Cultural co-chair 2011-2012:

J-serve 2011 planning committee

- Activities co-chair

Community Teen Shabbat coordinator and CCBBG representative

Ran for chapter MIT mom and Mazkirah

Chapter N'siah 2012-2013

Eastern Region #6

NCC Stand-Up! chair 2011-2012

- Worked with Council MIT mom to educate MITs about Stand-Up!
- Educated Chapter N'siot and general members about Stand-Up for chapter implementation
- Issued a Stand-Up! for each other anti-bullying release to the council
- Helped lead an anti-bullying program in our chapter
- Led a hunger awareness program at Regionals

Events Attended

Regional Execs 2012

MIT/AIT 2011: Kung Fu Jews N'siah

Sweetheart/Beau 2010, 2011, 2012

Regionals 2010, steered 2011, Administrative Assistant 2012

Winter Cultural: led services 2011 & 2012, spelling bee co-winner

2011, sculpture contest winner 2012, 2013

Panim One for All Equality Summit 2011

Spring Council 2012, 2013: ran for 22nd Sh'lichah

CLTC 4 2011: chapter Shabbat committee

ILTC 2012: Dorm leader/sunshine girl

- Orange Blueprint project coordinator
- Shabbat committee

Impact DC 2012: Martha's Table volunteer

- Friday night services committee

Will attend IC 2014

Awards and Honors

Eastern Region co-BBG of the year 2011

NCC AZA Spring Council Sweetheart for 2013

Prayers sung outside of
BBYO

Leadership and service

Class Vice President 2006-2009

Mitzvah Camp with Erin Goldstein 2008

Peer tutor since 2011

- I spend 2-6 hours a week helping high school kids with math
- Officer 2012-2014

Preschool and teacher helper 2008-2010

Leadership Class 2007-2009, will be in class of 2012-2013

Attended PHS officer prep 2011, 2012, will be steering 2013

Presidential Volunteer Award 2012-2013

Extracurriculars

Active Beta Club member 2008-2010:

- Community service and philanthropy

National Academic League team captain 2009-2010

Active Key Club member since 2010:

- Community service

Active Spanish Club member since 2011

Active Environmental Club member since 2011

Founding member of Paws and Claws Club 2011

Active member of Math Honor Society since 2012

- Secretary/treasurer 2012-2013

Active National Honors Society member

JActive Science Honors Society member since 2012

- Junior officer 2012-2013
- Co-president 2013-2014

Member of Hembstead Hurricanes swim team since 2005, coach since 2011

Member of JCC Jaws swim team since 2009,

captain and coach since 2012

Member of PHS varsity swim team since 2010,



CC's a MYSTERY.

But I am not alone.

I love CHAI CHAVERIM,

My forever home.

My dear sister B'nai Brith Girls,

How do you know when you love BBG?

Is it how connected to your sister BBG's you feel during a cheer session?

The honor and pride you feel when an older member congratulates you on an accomplishment?

Or maybe, it's when you get a BBG feeling from a new friend you've made.

For me, it is when I hear the beginning of our chapter song, Madonna's "Like a Prayer". Chills run down my spine as soon as I hear her tell-tale gospel voice.

Why?

Because, well, *"it feels like home."* When we hear our chapter song, it invites us home to our CCBBG roots. "Like a Prayer" is something we all have in common: something that unites us as a chapter, a symbol of our Chai Chaverim pride.

We all have hopes, dreams, **prayers** for the future: for ourselves, for our world, for each other, and for our chapter. And I, Sarah Fellman, am caucusing for your 2012-2013 chapter N'siah in the hope that I can help accomplish some of our prayers and bring our chapter closer in doing so.

So, my sister BBG's: Where do YOU want to go in 2012-2013? Because, just like a prayer, I'll take you there.

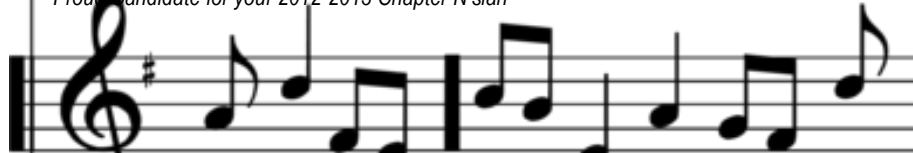
Submitted with undying love for.

Caucusing for your N'siah, prayers, Madonna, songs, that awesome feeling when you're one with your Sister BBG's, chapter unity, crazy CC dance sessions, MIT class of 2010-2011, CLTC 4 2011, ILTC and Impact: DC 2012, Minnie Mouse, red and black, you, me, and Chai Chaverim BBG #1548-552,

I forever remain,

Sarah Sinai Fellman

Proud Candidate for your 2012-2013 Chapter N'siah



My Prayers for Chai Chaverim

I MUST NOT STAND ALONE: MY BBA BOARD

N'siah: • Attend all programs and events to avoid leading from afar, be available to board members, chapter members, advisors, and parents with any questions
• Delegate responsibilities

S'ganit: • Support all members and help them grow as BBG's
• Work with other board and chapter members to utilize the different specialties present in our talented chapter for exciting programming
• Work with members of all grade levels in a term-long programming committee
• Review programs for quality and diversity and help lead all programs

MIT Mom: • Be a role model and friend to all BBG's
• Promote inclusion and inter-grade friendships
• Create a term-long committee of representatives from 10th, 11th, and 12th grade on reeducation and retention
• Teach MIT's what they will need to know to be successful leaders in BBYO
• Organize the writing of personalized letters to MIT's and inactive members to encourage retention
• Involve whole chapter in recruitment so that the MIT's know they're wanted
• Chapter days out: events like laser tag to promote retention through having fun

Mazkirah: • Increase communication with inactive members and use video chats and phone calls to reach out to them in a more personal way
• Be professional and welcoming in texts to the chapter
• Be available for questions about chapter functions from members, advisors, and parents
• Promote convention, program, and summer experience attendance

Katvanit: • Manage Facebook group and twitter for the chapter, create chapter website
• Work with Mazkirah to effectively divide up chapter program texts
• Create monthly chapter calendars and post them to facebook group
• Create calendar and coffee sessions where we go over calendar as a chapter while doing something fun

Sh'lichah: • Utilize all aspects of the new SPACE model of Stand-Up: Service, Philanthropy, Advocacy, Community organizing, and social Entrepreneurship
• Plan new and exciting Judaic and Israel-centered programs and opportunities beyond BBG Shabbat
• Incorporate altruism and Judaism into programs
• Increase communication with chapter partner organization

Gizborit: • Continue successful traditional fundraisers like bake sale
• Create new and engaging fundraisers
• Allot money to Stand-Up, ISF, chapter summer programs scholarship fund, chapter savings, and towards a chapter retreat

Safranit: • Be a liaison between the chapter and community organizations like NFTY, the JCC, USY, Hebrew High, Charlotte Jewish News, Charlotte Observer
• Remain a positive, upbeat chapter member
• Spread sunshine through good and bad times

Chairs: • Uphold prestige associated with leadership positions by remaining active in fulfilling their important roles in the chapter
• Assist their associated board positions and attend board meetings
• As a chapter, promote creation of new chairs within reason

Making our Prayers Heard: Communication

- **Remain in constant, two-way contact with our advisors** to let them know what we are doing in our chapter and remain informed about upcoming city-wide events and initiatives
- Keep parents in the know with regards to CC with frequent email releases about upcoming events and snail mail calendars (courtesy of our Katvanit)
- Release important information to the chapter via emails, Facebook posts, and texts and calls from the Mazkirah and Katvanit
- **Work Closely with the NC council N'siah, our very own Judith Cohen, the VAC N'siah, and the International N'siah to stay updated on events outside of Chai Chaverim**
- Continually communicate with the board and chairs to ensure that they have no problems in fulfilling and exceeding their duties in our chapter

Praying Together: Board Cohesion and Efficiency

1. Initiate regular individual, peer, and group board effectiveness evaluations
2. Hold frequent board meetings and a board bonding each term to make sure that the whole board continues to work as a team
3. Have all board members and chairs make a **calendar/plan** of how they will implement their goals to be reviewed and coordinated as one board entity at board bonding
4. **Equalize the two board terms:** elect and install the spring term board before Winter Cultural to prevent fall-term burn-outs and make sure spring term board members get a full chance to implement their goals
5. Fairly and effectively **delegate responsibilities** to the board, chairs, committees, and beyond as appropriate
6. Have a board meeting/board bonding with the other Charlotte chapters to promote city cohesion and work with the other presidents to organize sessions for all 4 co's in each position to have joint planning
7. **Have a newbie/oldie "what I wish I'd known"** both terms where the old board gives advice to the new board and helps them make a plan to implement their goals
8. Be proactive in troubleshooting problems board members may have with their responsibilities
9. Stay in the loop with the NCC and Charlotte presidents to promote congruency and make sure that all of the great ideas we have are shared across chapters for the most effective leadership possible
10. Help make sure that the whole board works cohesively to create **engaging multifold programs**

Presence Outside of Chai

- ⊗ *Encourage and empower* chapter members to coordinate and steer conventions
- ⊗ Work with the MIT Mom and Mazkirah to promote summer experiences
- ⊗ Work to maintain a high number of **highly dedicated** CCBG's at council, regional, and international conventions
- ⊗ Make sure everyone is on their best behavior at conventions and at community events: *make everyone jealous of Chai!*
- ⊗ **Work with Teen Coalition to create Stand-Up programs for the whole community**
- ⊗ Have more programs with the other Charlotte chapters
- ⊗ Have summer program attendees conduct programs about their experiences

Conventions

- ⊗ **Implement strategies learned at Eastern**
- ⊗ **Regional execs in chapter**
- ⊗ Use the MIT rush program to prepare MIT's for MIT/AIT
- ⊗ **Create WC committees early and allow the WC chair a bigger role in coordinating chapter efforts**
- ⊗ Prepare for WC early to reduce stress and allow for continued programming in January
- ⊗ Create and go over chapter cheers to help us be constantly spirited at WC
- ⊗ Make WC a time of chapter bonding and sisterhood
- ⊗ Have more practices for WC
- ⊗ Bring the cup back to Chai!

When you call My Name: Sisterhood, Membership, and Unity

- Work closely with the chapter MIT Mom and Big Sister chair to introduce MIT's to our chapter and give them the *best experience possible*
- Get to know MIT's and all chapter members on a personal level
- Make recruitment and retention priorities by involving the whole chapter and encouraging members across all grade levels to engage in these activities both independently and as a chapter
- Reduce chapter drama, especially around elections, by discussing procedures and other leadership opportunities beforehand and expressing my availability to talk to members before and after elections
- **Reinstate Good-and-Welfare programs** in both the traditional "go around the circle and share" forms and new formats (ex: "Ask Amy"- write letters to other BBG's and get them answered, or "Breaking Boundaries"- small group question and answer) as a chance to grow closer as CC sisters
- Make sure the fold of sisterhood is prominent as a component of other programs and in its own light
- Make sure chapter and MIT sleepovers are have meaningful programming
- **Have a chapter bonding sleepover** in addition to the WC one
- Plan a chapter summer retreat and/or 1-day convention