



# ASPIRING TO BE GODOL OF EXODUS AZA #1372

## I AM ALEPH RYAN LURIE



### Qualifications

#### Connecticut Valley Region

- Regionally Inducted 2017
- Events Attended
  - Fall Convention: 2014, 2015, 2016
  - CVR Kallah/Winter Convention: 2015, 2016, 2017
  - Spring Convention: 2015, 2016, 2017
  - RLTI: 2016
  - CVR Kickoff: 2015, 2016
  - Beau Sweetheart Dance: 2016, 2017
  - Zoolander Dance: 2015
  - AZAA: 2015

#### Exodus AZA #1372

- Inducted into Chapter (2015)
- Awarded Exodus Cardigan by Regional and Chapter S'gan Aleph Jordan Gorelick for future potential in Exodus AZA
  - Given to the sophomore who has given the most effort to help the chapter progress by the current holder when he graduates
- Hosted Chapter Overnight (Spring 2016)
- Chapter Volunteering Events
  - Christmas Caroling at VA (past 3 years), JFS, JCC Family Fun Day, etc.)
- ≥ 53 Exodus Meetings and 6 or more overnights

#### Grand Order of the Aleph Zadik Aleph

- International Convention: 2015, 2017
- IC Press Corps: 2017
- CLTC 3 2017
- Member in Good Standing Since 2014

#### Exodus Board Positions

- **Sgt. At Arms (2015-2016):** Although this board position did not have any formal responsibilities or counter parts, I still worked as hard, if not harder than other positions on that board. I helped create, run, and promote successful programs, called and recruited members, hosted an overnight, and I led/helped the chapter in every way possible.
- **Mazkir (2016-2017):** As your Mazkir, I did a complete overhaul of Exodus' image. We now have an active and engaging Instagram, Twitter, Facebook and Youtube, as well as our new and widely successful Snapchat. People from all across the order complement our social media and recap videos. Our occasional news bulletin has turned into a weekly newsletter recapping past events, informing people about new events, and mentioning all regional and International news. I have also been at every meeting, convention and dance this year.

### *My Brothers of Exodus,*

Nobody is being forced to be here right now. Members, advisors, alumni, and everybody else have chosen to take time out of their day to be here because just like me, they have fallen in love with this awesome group of guys called Exodus. We all had that moment where we realized how strong our brotherhood is. For me, it was my first Good and Welfare, and since then the connection I have had with my brothers is indescribable. After that Good and Welfare, my next step in my BBYO journey was signing up for my first ever convention, International Convention 2015. Although I had not gone to a regional convention yet, I felt comfortable traveling to Atlanta with my fellow X-Men because our brotherhood was so strong. Now, the last two years I have served as the youngest member on our chapter board, going above and beyond my responsibilities to serve my chapter. MY BROTHERS, I aspire to serve the high and honorable position of Exodus Chapter/Aleph Godol because I know I have the passion and dedication to make this chapter reach the level of eXcellence we have all come to love.

Fraternally Submitted With Undying Love  
and Dedication for Exodus AZA #1372, I am,  
and always will remain,

**Aleph Ryan Lurie**

# With our Board...

## *With our S'gan...*

We must continue to have stellar programing throughout the entire year. Engaging, relatable and overall fun programs are what get members through the door, and makes them want to come back. I plan to improve previously run programs that have a tradition in Exodus such as the Annual Egg Drop, Murder Mystery, Human Battleship and G-d talks, as well as introduce tons of unique and exciting programing. In order to do this, we must schedule and plan out our programs well in advance, and have at least one board meeting a week in advanced to make sure everyone is up to date.

## *With our Mazkir and Sopher...*

I've worked tremendously hard this year to revamp all communications for the chapter. We have more than doubled our growth in Instagram and Twitter followers, as well as launched our chapter Snapchat which has around 150 followers and has received praise from across the international order. I plan to continue that growth next year by keeping all social media active and engaging. In addition, the weekly newsletter will also remain consistent and detailed and all contact lists such as the phone tree must be constantly updated. The Mazkir and Sopher will work closely together to continue to put out new editions of "The X-Files" at each convention, as well as submit articles to local newspapers.

## *With our Gizbor...*

We need to raise funds in order to have high-quality programs. I plan to have at least 3 creative fundraisers throughout the year, with one right in the beginning of the year to start us off on a high note. I will make sure our Shuk item is profitable and planned-out well in advance. It's also my goal to raise enough money so we can donate more than the minimum \$333 requirement to the region and our StandUP Cause. Finally, I don't want personal financial situations holding anyone back from attending programs and events, so I plan on setting up an Exodus scholarship fund.

## *With our Moreh...*

While membership is a formal responsibility of the Moreh, I will count on the entire chapter and board to reach our membership goal by Beau 2018. I also want to make sure all board members have individually recruited at least one member by Fall. In addition, the Moreh is responsible for the Brotherhood and AIT classes. As I'm sure you all know, Exodus takes brotherhood very seriously. I can assure you that brotherhood will continue to be sacred.

## *With our Shaliach...*

We need more Jewish teens to have more meaningful Jewish experiences! The Shaliach will work closely with the S'gan to plan programs for Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Hanukkah, Passover, Yom Hazikaron, Yom Ha'atzmaut, Yom HaShoah and other Jewish Holidays. In order to do this, we must make the programs not strictly just about the Holiday, but figure out ways to incorporate educational aspects of the holiday into fun and engaging programming.

## *With our Ozer...*

Ozer is a new position in our chapter. I want Exodus to set a high standard for ourselves and the region of what the Ozer should do. We must be extremely active with our chapter StandUP cause, volunteer often at JFS, have events at Tower One, sing our hearts out at the VA on Christmas, and participate in many other new community service events too!

## *With our Sergeant at Arms...*

Sgt. at Arms is a special position in Exodus. We are the only chapter in the region to have one and he has no formal responsibilities. Nevertheless, he is still just as important as any other board member and will help out with the entire board whenever needed. He will also make sure events run smoothly and on time.

