

# **ALEPH JACOB AUSTIN STEEL**

# 86<sup>th</sup> Atlanta Council Godol

## LEADERSHIP

#### Frank Fierman AZA #2233:

Aleph Godol (May 2013-present)

- Increased active membership by 20 Alephs
- Generated enthusiasm and double-digit attendance for each 2013-2014 convention
- · Elected and installed inaugural AIT Board
- Raised \$200 in fundraising for chapter, Stand UP!, and the Hunger Walk
- Amended Stand UP! Cause to Suicide Prevention
- Sending 1 AIT to CLTC and Impact
- Planned and led every program

### Aleph Moreh (January 2013-present)

- Recruited second-largest AIT class in AC AZA in 2013
- Fierman's largest recruiting class in 5 years

### Avitz AZA #2383-2490/2490-2383:

Aleph Shaliach (January 2012-August 2012)

• Planned 2 successful Havdallah programs

## **BBYO Connect Chair** (August 2012-May 2013)

 Actively assisted in creating ways to engage Connect participants at events

#### **Outside of BBYO:**

- IB Diploma Program (3.8 GPA)
- Captain of Varsity Cross Country for 2014
- Riverwood High School Theater Program
- Youth Leadership Sandy Springs Alumni
- Umpire NYO Baseball (2013-2014)
- Lead Guitarist in The Frame

## Gentlemen, this is our time.

We only have 4 years of a journey called BBYO. How can we impact BBYO and how can BBYO impact us in our 4 short years? BBYO is all about taking that special path to impact the world today and to ensure that the world tomorrow will be better. This movement is directed towards us.

It is our time to unleash our full potential. Our brothers form the foundation of BBYO. People join this movement because of the dynamic people who are involved. That is why it is time to focus on each individual person who is a part of BBYO. By doing this, we will elevate the standing of our Council and our Region to unimaginable heights. It is our time to leave our legacy before we move on.

I am aspiring to be your 86th Atlanta Council Aleph Godol because I am passionate about improving the experiences of my Brother Alephs. I am confident that with the vast knowledge I have gained from my many experiences and leadership roles combined with my work ethic and passion for our organization, I WILL LEAD ATLANTA COUNCIL TO THE HIGHEST OF HEIGHTS. We will leave our imprint on future generations and ensure that each and every member feels an impact, like the one I have felt as a result of my experiences in BBYO.

Gentlemen, this is our time, Let's seize every second of it.

## INVOLVEMENT

#### Atlanta Council #55:

**Distinguished AZA Sophomore Award (2012-2013)**Song leader at every 2012-2014 AC convention

- Leadership Training Institute (2012, 2013)
- New Member Convention (2011, 2012 (steering), 2013 (steering))
- SRC (2012 Pt 1, 2012 Pt 2, 2013)
- Kallah (2013 (**steering**), 2014)
- ACSC (2012, 2013, 2014)

#### International Order:

#### Tree of Life Award Recipient

Honored for recruiting 24 Alephs into AZA

## **ILN: International Morim Committee** (2013-2014)

 Responsible for encouraging regions to start the Mekasher position to increase BBYO Connect efficiency

#### **CLTC 7 2012**

 Summer program built for BBYO education and leadership on Chapter Board

#### **ILTC 2013**

 Summer program built for leadership on Council, Regional, and International Board

#### International Kallah 2013

• Summer program built for discovering one's Jewish identity and the meaning of Judaism

#### IC 2013, 2014

- Connect Summit (2013)
- February Execs (2014)
- IC Teen Band (2014)
- Invite-only Phired Up! Seminar (2014)
- Met with leaders from NFTY to form a coalition of Jewish teens (2014)

**ILSI 2014** (attending July 2014)

## **OUR CHAPTERS**

### **Focus on the Chapters:**

- Redefine and enlarge focus on the chapters
- Work to grow chapter membership from beyond the JCC sign-up list
- Refine leadership by increasing summer program promotional efforts
- Work to create bonds within chapters to improve retention
- "Reach Out Weeks"—Designated weeks in which council and chapter members personally call chapter members
- Chapter boards and members—one week every month commune with EVERY member

## **Different Chapters, Always Brothers:**

- Create a Big-Brother, Little-Brother system for Alephs of different chapters
- Intention to promote more Council and International involvement
- Promote Big-Brother, Little-Brother activities at Council Conventions

#### No Member Left Behind:

- Ensure that every member who wants to attend a summer program will go
- Start up individual Chapter Summer Program Scholarship funds that they can fundraise for

#### **BBYO Connect:**

- Prioritize more 8<sup>th</sup> grade involvement at the beginning of the new year—every chapter invites 8<sup>th</sup> graders to programs
- Execute huge "graduation" programs for 8<sup>th</sup> graders entering BBYO so they will immediately feel comfortable and be excited to transition into BBYO

## How we will use our time

BBYO leadership derives from EMPOWERING and INSPIRING younger members.

If we, the present generation of Atlanta Council, guide and nurture the up-and-coming generations of Atlanta Council, then the future of our Council is ensured and well.

By focusing our energies and efforts on the fundamentals of Recruitment, Programming, Judaism, Social Action, and Brotherhood, we will build thriving chapters and retain motivated members in Atlanta Council.

I will continue to commit myself to EMPOWERING and INSPIRING all members of our Great Order.

Fraternally Submitted,

With an undying love for the International Order, Atlanta Council #55, and my home and my heart, Frank Fierman AZA #2233,

I remain Aleph Jacob Austin Steel, aspiring to be your 86<sup>th</sup> Atlanta Council Aleph Godol.

## **OUR COUNCIL/REGION**

### Fraternity:

- "Bring on the BRONEG"—regularly scheduled fraternal AZA hangout events
- Rebirth of Frat Night—AZA Council Shabbat Services to have fun and boost fraternal bonds

### **Council Sopher:**

 Create this elected or appointed position to promote AZA spirit and brotherhood and serve as a counterpart to Chapter Sopherim

## Regional Unity and Strength:

- Create Atlanta Council Chair positions to pair with cities in Dixie Council to improve our relations with our fellow Council
- Encourage more Atlanta/Dixie Council & Chapter Board Communication
- Implement frequent regional fundraising

## Stand UP!/Judaism:

- Stand UP! Month—Each chapter will execute a program that either fundraises, educates, or advocates about their cause
- Incorporate 'pick-your-own' Shabbat service options that appeal to all different beliefs of Judaism

## Coalition of Jewish Teens (CJT):

 Increase our connection with NFTY, USY and other Jewish organizations to not only increase our involvement with all parts of the Jewish community, but also make large, powerhouse programs, combining all of our resources to have a day at a well-known venue to enrich our communities