



Aleph **Andrew Eli Cohen** proud candidate for the high and honorable position of Michigan Region's **96th Regional Aleph Shaliach**



Events Attended

Max Fisher AZA #337

Chapter Events '17, '18, '19, '20, '21*
 Chapter Meetings '17, '18, '19, '20, '21*
 Chapter Convention '17, '18, '19, '20*, '21*
 Chapter Elections '17, '18, '19, '20*, '21*
 Chapter Bittker '18, '20
 Chapter Installs '17, '18, '19, '20*, '21*

Michigan Region #1701

Regional Convention '17, '18, '19, '20*
 Spring Convention '18, '19, '21*
 Regional Elections '18, '19, '20*, '21*
 Regional Installs/Awards '19, '20*, '21*
 YLC '19
 Shabbaton '19
 J-Serve '19 '20*

The International Order

International Convention '20, '21*

* Denotes attending

My Brother Alephs,

I am more than ready to take on the position where I can lead Michigan Region in what separates us from every other youth group, which is our Judaism. Max Fisher AZA has been my home for the past three years, and it has helped me become the person I am today. My chapter has taught me how to be a leader through holding the positions of Shaliach, Moreh, and Godol. I want to take the next step in my BBYO career by running to be Michigan Region's 96th Regional Aleph Shaliach.

I want to include why I have decided to run for this high and honorable position. I chose to run for Regional Shaliach because I loved planning meaningful Jewish programming for my chapter, and I want to plan meaningful Jewish programs for the region as it is what first made me fall in love with BBYO. Furthermore, I had a memorable experience leading my own nature service while serving on last year's Spring Convention steering committee. When I was apart of the Judaic committee, I helped plan the saturday morning service at this year's YLC. The last major reason I am running is that I find it so important to give back to the community, and through this position it gives me the chance to take charge to lead community service initiatives through StandUP and SpeakUP.

With my dedication, love, and passion for AZA, Michigan Region, and BBYO I know I make an outstanding candidate to be your 96th Regional Shaliach. I will strive to make Jewish programming the best it can possibly be. I will make our region closer than it has ever been before by our Jewish heritage, which is the roots that bring us all together. Lastly, my BBYO experience has taught me my connection to Judaism, and if given this wonderful opportunity, I will guide each and every one of you to discover what connects you to Judaism.

Fraternally Submitted with undying love for the Aleph Zadik Aleph,
 Michigan Region #1701, Max Fisher AZA #337, and all of you my brother
 Alephs, I forever remain,

Aleph Andrew Eli Cohen

"It's not how much or how little you have that makes you great or small, but how much or how little you accomplish with what you have" -Rabbi Samson Hirsch

Qualifications

Max Fisher AZA #337

15th Aleph Godol '19-'20
 13th Aleph Moreh '18-'19
 12th Aleph Shaliach '18
 Chapter Convention Committee '19
 Dedicated Fisherman '17-Life

Michigan Region #1701

8th Grade Onboarding Committee '18-'19
 YLC Steering Committee '19-'20
 SC Steering Committee '19
 Adult Commission Board '18-'20
 YLC Mock Chapter Moreh '19
 Restaurant Wars Committee '18

The International Order

Dedicated Aleph '17-Life

The Book of Goals and Ideas

Counterparts

I will be in constant communication with all of my chapter counterparts to make sure they are providing their chapters strong Jewish programming and great community service opportunities. The communication with my counterparts will be through group text and check-in calls. The end result will be having the best Jewish programming that suits their individual chapters. Through my guidance, communication, and positive energy, I will be there for my counterparts every step of the way.

Kallah

For Michigan Region's next programming year, I want to bring back Regional Kallah. This convention is fun, meaningful, and I am certain will bring the region closer through influential Jewish programming. A steering group will be in place to ensure an amazing Kallah. My vision is to hold Kallah at a hotel as it would be a nice place, and who would not want to be with their friends for a BBYO convention at a hotel.

Create AZA Judaic Programming

I continuously say that what brings this youth together is Judaism, and with that I want to create Judaic programs for all the Alephs in Michigan Region to attend with the end goal of creating a strong brotherhood between all the chapters. Generally, the same few AZA chapters program together, and I am determined to change that by creating at least two Aleph AZA programs centered around Judaism this upcoming year.

StandUP & SpeakUP

I have lots of prior experience volunteering as I am on board for West Bloomfield Relay for Life, I volunteer through my synagogue, and I do volunteering through being a member of National Honors Society. I would love to bring my prior volunteering experience to the region and create an influential StandUP cause. I know there are many more opportunities to help out the community, and I will work hard with my regional counterpart to get our region involved in community service.

Training Sessions

When holding my BBYO positions, I felt that I never got the strongest training to know exactly what my responsibilities were. I want to change that for this upcoming year and for years to come. The necessary change is for more training sessions where I will train my chapter counterparts on ways to Jewish program and to lead their chapters in community service. The goal of the training sessions is to have the best Jewish programming year for every chapter.

Take Advantage of our Community

Metro Detroit is so fortunate to have such a strong Jewish Community. Michigan Region should take advantage of the Jewish community by partnering up with other Jewish groups. There are several synagogues in the area as well as Jewish camps, and it only takes one email, phone call, or in-person visit to create programs with other Jewish organizations. It could change Jewish programming for the better to take advantage of the Metro Detroit Jewish community.

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