

# Zoe Haith

Social Action Vice President Candidate

## ABOUT ME:

SHALOM, NFTY CHICAGO! I'M ZOE HAITH AND I'M RUNNING TO BE YOUR SOCIAL ACTION VICE PRESIDENT. I AM A SOPHOMORE AT MUNDELEIN HIGH SCHOOL AND I GO TO TEMPLE OR SHALOM IN VERNON HILLS. I HAVE BEEN PARTICIPATING IN NFTY SINCE THE BEGINNING OF MY FRESHMAN YEAR AND I HAVE LOVED EVERY SECOND OF IT! I CAN'T GET ENOUGH! IN MY FREE TIME, I PLAY BASKETBALL AND LACROSSE FOR MY SCHOOL. LATER THIS YEAR, I WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN JYG KALLAH AS A COUNSELOR FOR THE 6TH, 7TH AND 8TH GRADERS AS WELL AS BEING A COUNSELOR FOR CAMP-CAR.





# EXPANDING OUR COMMUNITY:

GROWING UP MY DAD USED TO ALWAYS TALK ABOUT HOW HE WAS MISTREATED AS A KID BECAUSE HE WAS BLACK. HE WOULD TELL ME STORIES ABOUT HOW HE WOULD GO OVER TO ONE OF HIS FRIENDS HOUSE, BUT LATER FIND OUT THAT HIS FRIEND'S PARENTS TOLD THEM THEY COULD NO LONGER BE FRIENDS. I HAVE BEEN HEARING THESE KINDS OF STORIES SINCE I WAS 7, I'VE KNOWN FOR A LONG TIME THAT I WOULD NEVER LET ANYONE BE MISTREATED OR LEFT OUT THE WAY MY DAD WAS. LUCKY, NFTY IS ALL ABOUT WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER WITH OPEN ARMS. BUT WHERE IS THERE ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT, AT EVENTS! WHILE HAVING A JEWISH COMMUNITY IS AMAZING WE CAN EXPAND THAT. AT EVENTS, NFTY CAN REACH OUT TO OTHER YOUTH GROUPS, ORGANIZATIONS AND FAITH'S. AT THESE EVENTS WE WOULD LEARN ABOUT ONE ANOTHER'S BELIEFS AND THE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES IN OUR LIVES. NFTY IS ALWAYS LEARNING ABOUT THE CURRENT AND PAST EVENTS IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. IN ADDITION TO LEARNING ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY WE CAN ALSO LEARN ABOUT CURRENT AND PAST EVENTS IN OTHER RELIGIONS AND RACES. BY DOING SO, WE WOULD BE LEARNING ABOUT DIFFERENT CULTURES, HOW THEY VIEW THE WORLD, AND MEETING NEW PEOPLE!

# THE FUTURE:

NFTY has four main events, but we are able to break that. NFTY is all about Tikkun Olam, repairing the world, which we can do together. NFTY is unique because we can do tikkun olam together. We often work to help different causes at our events, from bringing clothes for the less fortunate or food for the hungry. NFTY as a community can repair the world step by step through having smaller events. For these "smaller events" we would combine the opportunity of community service and socializing, for exciting times and Tikkun Olam. These one day events would give the perfect time for volunteering, being with friends, and making the world a better place.