

Our Bais Medrash bochurim enjoy spending Shabbos in communities throughout the Midwest and beyond,



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MEMPHIS

introduces the bochurim to the richness of American Torah life. "It is important to give the talmidim a perspective on

from MTI talmidim some years ago. Bochur Gavin Kornblum relates that he and his friends have helped make minyanim in several cities that they've visited. Wherever they spend Shabbos, the boys lead tefillos, learn with community members, run children's programming, and

including Memphis, Louisville, Bettendorf, Cincinnati, Omaha, Kansas City, Columbus, Indianapolis, and Chicago. In addition to providing a refreshing change of scenery, these visits bring chizuk both to the bochurim and to the communities that host them. "Baruch Hashem, our bochurim have inspired beautiful Torah growth in communities throughout the Midwest, and we are extremely proud that they can contribute in such a meaningful way," says Rabbi Avrohom Goldman, Rosh Yeshiva. For the talmidim, these

AN EARLY TASTE OF HARBATZAS HATORAH

what the Jewish world at large looks like," explains Rosh Yeshiva Rabbi Shmuel Wasser, whose shiur spent Shabbos in Louisville. "Through these visits, they experience the mesirus nefesh of people in the field who are committed to helping others come closer to Yahadus." Witnessing this harbatzas haTorah gives the bochurim a sense of where they may be headed. "It was especially meaningful for me to see the Chofetz Chaim Kollel in Memphis," shares bochur Yechiel Goldman. "It may be a glimpse of our future life's work."

The bochurim don't need to wait for the future to strengthen communities; they are already doing so. In fact, both the Memphis and Louisville



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participate in the oneg Shabbos and melaveh malkah. "They provide a little spark of energy to the community," remarks Mr. Jeff Zacharia, Omaha resident and father of an incoming ninth-grade MTI talmid.

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visits are "a break from their learning in a healthy and Torahdik way," he adds.

Visiting different communities Torah growth to visits



OMAHA

ROBOTICS

AN EXTRA DIMENSION OF LOMDUS

The yeshiva is excited to offer talmidim an extra learning opportunity in the form of a Thursday-night Shev Shmaitza shiur with Rabbi Shmuel Wasser. “Shev Shmaitza is a highly regarded sefer that will quickly bring the talmidim into the lomdus of different sugyas,” explains Rabbi Wasser. “We wanted to provide access to a deeper side of learning than the bochurim may encounter in their everyday learning experience.”



“The shiur helps me build connections between different topics” says 9th grader Shaya Kaufman, “and it gets my brain moving.” Another talmid concurs: “I joined because I wanted to see if I would be able to keep up with the higher-level thinking,” he shares. “The shiur is definitely enhancing my critical thinking skills.”

During the robotics elective, talmidim collaborate to build maneuverable robots.



GOING ABOVE & BEYOND FOR OUR TALIMIDIM LITERALLY

Our rebbeim will travel across the world for our talmidim! While many of our high school graduates remain in the MTI’s Bais Medrash program, a number of talmidim continue their learning in Eretz Yisroel. Rabbi Menachem Wachsman, our menahel, traveled to Eretz Yisroel to visit potential yeshivos so that he could better advise our 12th grade talmidim which ones would be a good fit for them.

A second purpose of the trip was to spend time with the yeshiva’s alumni. Rabbi Wachsman shares, “I really enjoyed seeing the talmidim immersed in the next stage of their learning.” The menahel’s parents hosted a Motzei Shabbos alumni reunion. “It was heartwarming to see the bochurim reuniting with each other with such joy,” expressed Rabbi Wachsman. “Even after the program was over and we had put away the tables and chairs, they stayed to schmooze and connect. They were just so happy to see each other.”



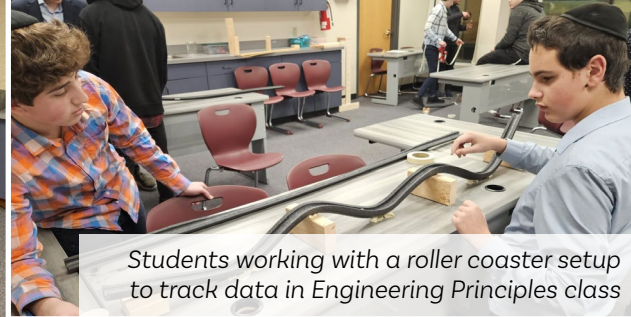
Recently, during Mishna Berura seder, the Bais Medrash concluded learning the halachos of pas habaah b’kisnin, the halachos relating to the proper brachos on various bread-like products. In this intricate and complex sugya of halacha, questions abounded. Their shoel umeshiv, Rabbi Efraim Fromowitz, arranged for a renowned posek to answer their questions.



Harav Efraim Friedman, Rosh Kollel and Dayan in North Miami Beach, Florida, graciously agreed to a video call with the bochurim. They compiled a list of questions in advance, and the dayan addressed them one by one, clarifying the halacha’s practical applications.



Rabbi Leibel Rockove giving a vaad



Students working with a roller coaster setup to track data in Engineering Principles class



Packed bais medrash during hachana



Rabbi Mendy Rosner learning with 7th grade students at Agudas Israel of St. Louis



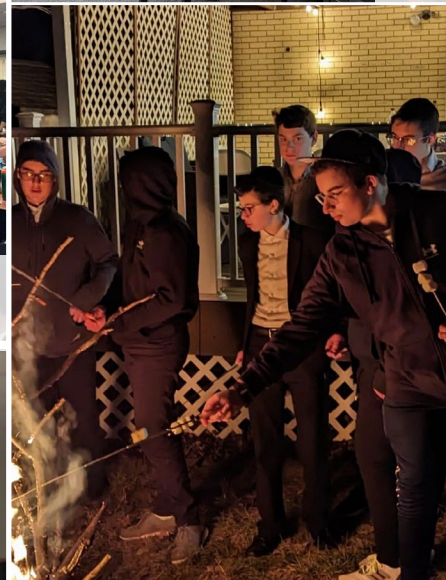
Rabbi Wasser giving a shiur at the monthly 7th and 8th grade learning and gym program



Learning seder at TICK to kickoff the Retzifus Learning program



Rav Noach Orlowek, mashgiach of Torah Ore in Yerushalayim, addressing the talmidim



9th graders enjoy a BBQ and marshmallow roasting in Shmuel Winter's backyard



Talmidim donating blood at the Jewish community blood drive



Friday morning learning on a yeshiva off-shabbos



Rabbi Yaakov Lynn speaking to the Bais Medrash bochurim



10th grade soccer game in the park



Bochurim joined with the Chesterfield community for an inspiring kumzits with Moshe Storch



The Retzifus program rewarded many students with a trip to Top Golf after completing 5 weeks of the intense learning program geared at increasing the amount of time each talmid is able to learn uninterrupted.



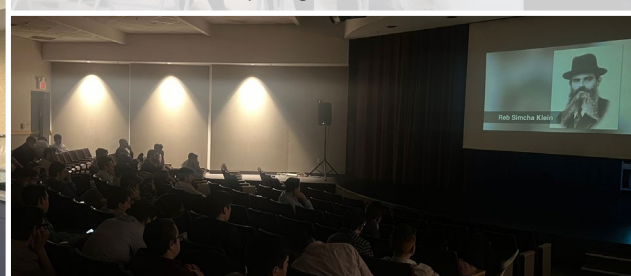
Rav Pinchas Green, Mashgiach of the Kamenetz Yeshiva in Eretz Yisroel and a St. Louis native, speaking with talmidim



Preparing for the annual cholent cook-off!



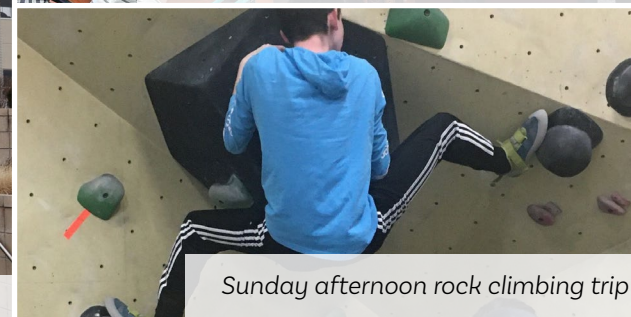
Rabbi Morgenstern of TAG International discusses technology safety and awareness with talmidim



Project Witness video about the Holocaust shown in Yeshiva on Asara B'Teves



10th graders perform at MTI Tunes



Sunday afternoon rock climbing trip



MTI's basketball team enjoying a game at the JCC



Rabbi Efraim Fromowitz giving a vaad



ACT testing for high school talmidim



9th Grade Gemara Bechina



MTI hosts Camp Nageela Kiruv event



Weekend trip to an escape room



Rabbi Reuven Kamin and Rabbi Moshe Katz of Camp Chaverim visited the yeshiva to discuss employment opportunities for interested talmidim

The Yeshiva, in conjunction with Tpheris Israel Congregation, held a

Pre-Purim broadcast on the occasion of the 7th yahrtzeit of Greg Fox, A"H.

For a copy of the shiur, email shiurim@missouritorah.org.



MAZEL TOV!

Alumni Engagements

Betzalel Berkman on his engagement to Ms. Sara Biton of Migdal Hamek, EY!
 Benjy Deutsch on his engagement to Ms. Ariella Gruenzwieg from Far Rockaway, NY!
 Gavriel Klahr on his engagement to Ms. Ayala Cweiber of Brooklyn, NY!
 Gabi Koyenov on his engagement to Ms. Chaviva Taub from Kew Gardens!
 Dovi Mandel on his engagement to Ms. Rachelli Braunstein of Waterbury, CT!
 Zev Sugerman on his engagement to Ms. Leah Guterman from Monsey!

Alumni Marriages

Elchonon Manne on his marriage to Ms. Malky Zyman from Flatbush!
 Yechiel Niman on his marriage to Ms. Shira Sherman from Toronto!
 Elchanan Ornstein on his marriage to Ms. Goldie Max of Cherry Hill, NJ!
 Avraham Eli Shmidman on his marriage to Ms. Yael Frechter of Brooklyn, NY!
 Baruch Singer on his marriage to Ms. Shira Sklar of Kew Gardens, NY!
 Avrami Walles on his marriage to Ms. Devorah Goslin of Vancouver, BC!

Alumni Births

Mr. & Mrs. Sedy Freud on the birth of their son!
 Mr. & Mrs. Menachem Glazer on the birth of their daughter!
 Mr. & Mrs. Dovi Katz on the birth of their daughter!
 Mr. & Mrs. Shmuel Meth on the birth of their son!
 Mr. & Mrs. Yosef Shlomo Morris on the birth of their daughter!
 Mr. & Mrs. Sammy Reiss on the birth of their son!
 Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Rosenblum on the birth of their son!
 Mr. & Mrs. Eli Scheller on the birth of their son!
 Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Stein on the birth of their son!
 Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Yasinev on the birth of their daughter!

Staff Simchas

Rabbi & Mrs. Shmuel Wasser on the marriage of their daughter Esther to Tzvi Spiegel!
 Rabbi & Mrs. Moshe Chaim Biron on the birth of a girl!
 Rabbi & Mrs. Gershon Rockove on the birth of a boy!



MASTERYOURDAF

Throughout the year, the yeshiva invites small groups of bais medrash talmidim from Yeshiva Chofetz Chaim in Queens, including many of our own alumni, to learn at MTI. These bochurim visit for a month or two in order to serve as positive mentors and role models for the younger bais medrash and

THANK YOU

to our generous friends from all over the country who helped make our Charidy campaign a tremendous success. The yeshiva received more than **1700 DONATIONS** to be מחזק תורה!



cont. from front The bochurim also expose their host communities to young bnei Torah. Rabbi Shmuel Meir Fromowitz, Rosh Kollel in Memphis, affirms, "It is important for the community to see that there are talmidim who spend their days learning Torah, who exemplify middos tovos, menschlichkeit, and a sense of vibrancy." Rabbi Akiva Males, Rav of Young Israel of Memphis, comments, "anyone who saw the bochurim learning in shul saw

that their Shabbos was relaxing and enjoyable—but it wasn't a break from their avodas Hashem."

Community members

often express their hakaras hatov directly to the bochurim. In Kansas City, a man approached bochur Moshe Genauer at the kiddush and said, "You have no idea what it means to us when



you come—it completely uplifts the community." Bochur Shmuel Lynn had a similar experience. "In Omaha, I got to learn with a man who told me he had never learned with a yeshiva bochur before," he recounts. "He told me it changed his perspective about yeshiva bochurim." He enthusiastically adds, "and the learning was amazing!"

Rabbi Yosef Braha, Rosh Kollel in Memphis, shares the following reflection with the bochurim: "When you are in

a yeshiva environment, every day can start to feel similar. It is easy to forget the importance of what you are doing. But when you step out of the Yeshiva and spend a Shabbos interacting with a

community, it is easier to appreciate the impact of your learning and growth. Just by being bnei Torah and ovdei Hashem, your presence leaves a mark."

The bochurim may never learn what influence they have on another person's trajectory. Rabbi Males points out, "By acting with menschlichkeit and making a kiddush Hashem, you don't know who

you may have inspired to take on something more in Torah and mitzvos. Continue conducting yourselves as ambassadors for Torah and Yiddishkeit; you never know who's paying attention, and who you might impact."





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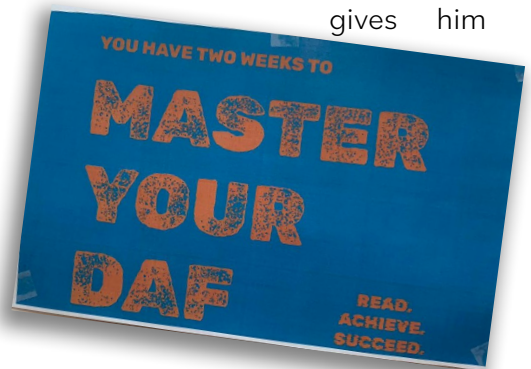
the most important element is the effort put in,” says Rabbi Dovid Fromowitz, Rosh Yeshiva. “Each

focused on a daf that included a long Tosafos,” he recounts. “I gave a bechina to my shiur on material from

a person tastes the sweetness of understanding a daf really well, it gives him



the beginning of Chezkas Habatim that included this daf. When I asked my shiur to explain this Tosafos, the talmid who had ‘mastered’ that daf demonstrated a comprehensive understanding



the confidence and the motivation to learn even more.” May our talmidim continue to experience the joy of toiling in Torah and finding success in their learning!

of the talmidim who participated in this endeavor demonstrated a tremendous amount of ameilus, each according to his individual ability.”

of the Tosafos. He was so proud of what he had accomplished that he wanted to read the Tosafos.”

When each talmid was ready, he was tested on his chosen daf. To celebrate this great accomplishment, the participants enjoyed a Motzei Shabbos popper and wonton melave malka.

The program’s impact stretches far beyond the blatt mastered. As Rabbi Fromowitz explains, success in learning breeds further success. “When

