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Halacha Series

We are privileged to introduce a unique, compelling halacha series, given by Rabbi Yitzchak Kowalsky, Senior Rabbinical Coordinator of the Vaad Hoer of St. Louis. Thought-provoking topics have been chosen for the series, which will take place once a month on Sunday evenings. "We're very excited to have Rabbi Kowalsky address our talmidim," shares Rosh Yeshiva, Rabbi Dovid Fromowitz, "I always find his shiurim captivating and engaging. He has a special ability to bring out halachic discussions in a fascinating way."

The Monthly Kiddush
with Rabbi Yitzchak Kowalsky

How to properly say Kiddush Levana
How it can protect you from going to the Dentist
How it can find you the right Shiiduch

Sunday 7:45 pm

Simanim on Rosh Hashana
with Rabbi Yitzchak Kowalsky

Do I have to eat the fish head?
Why do pommesette's seeds help me have a good year?
Digging deeper into the apple...

Rabbi Moshe Winter

The Elul atmosphere of elevation was enriched by the passionate words of Rabbi Moshe Winter, Rav of Tpheris Israel, about tefillah. "We can always use chizuk in our approach to davening and our understanding that Hashem is listening to us," shares Rosh Yeshiva Rabbi Shmuel Wasser. "I was very excited for the talmidim to hear powerful divrei chizuk about tefillah before the yamim noraim." The words of Rabbi Winter made a real difference to the talmidim, as depicted by the words of MTI talmid Moshe Shtern, "I heard how Hashem wants us to daven for siyata dishmaya to daven. It was inspiring to know that when we struggle, Hashem just wants us to daven to be able to learn and daven better. Sometimes it's just about perspective." Talmid Yosef Striks concurs, adding that "It was definitely an inspiration and will help my davening throughout the yamim noraim and beyond."



ANNUAL UNITY TRIP TEAM BUILDING



The annual MTI Achdus Trip to Castlewood State Park was definitely well-named! With a range of energizing games and inspirational moments, the trip turned out to be a time of real connection. "From playing football, to frisbee, to a meaningful kumzits, the achdus trip is a great way to make strong bonds with rebbeim and other students and bais medrash bochrui in Yeshiva," declares eleventh grader Akiva Wogan.

"Across all grades, we all played football together," enthuses twelfth grader Daniel Dubovick, "When you do things together, it makes you more comfortable with each other automatically." MTI talmidim felt that the trip had been a very connecting experience. "It was very enjoyable to spend quality time with bochurim from other grades," adds MTI talmid Henoch Rubin.

MTI WELCOMES Rabbi Label Friedman



The Yeshiva is delighted to welcome their newest rebbe, Rabbi Label Friedman, to the St. Louis community and the MTI family. After learning in Mir Yerushalayim for a number of years, Rabbi Friedman, his wife Elisheva, and their family, are excited to join the friendly, growing community in St. Louis. "The community has been very welcoming and helpful," Rabbi Friedman remarked.

"Rabbi Friedman's positive energy and personable approach have enhanced the warm and welcoming environment, bringing a sense of joy that our talmidim truly appreciate," shares Menahel, Rabbi Menachem Wachsmann.

Rabbi Friedman is looking forward to spending time with the bochurim around the dorm, connecting with them, and maintaining a safe, vibrant environment for them to grow in. "Both the staff and the bochurim have been incredibly supportive as I step into this new role, and I'm impressed by the incredible talmidim that I'm getting to know," says Rabbi Friedman.

We wish Rabbi Friedman much hatzlacha!

Hesped for Rav Avrohom Ausband zt"l

The talmidim came away awed and impressed from the hesped Rabbi Yisrael Mayer Frank delivered about the greatness of his rebbe, the Riverdale Rosh Yeshiva, Rav Avrohom Ausband zt"l. "It was filled with deep hashkafa and powerful stories about the life of this tremendous gadol, leaving the chevrah deeply inspired," says Rabbi Avrohom Goldman, Rosh Yeshiva.


The bochurim gained new insight into the life of Rav Ausband and were deeply moved by the stories they heard. "What stood out to me was his mesiras nefesh in taking care of the bochurim and helping them grow in their learning. For example, I heard how he always made sure to have the food the bochurim wanted, so they wouldn't waste time going to the store," recounts Bais Medrash talmid Ezra Cohen. "He uplifted the Yeshiva in Riverdale to an exceptionally high level, emulating the yeshivos of Europe."

Rabbi Uren Reich

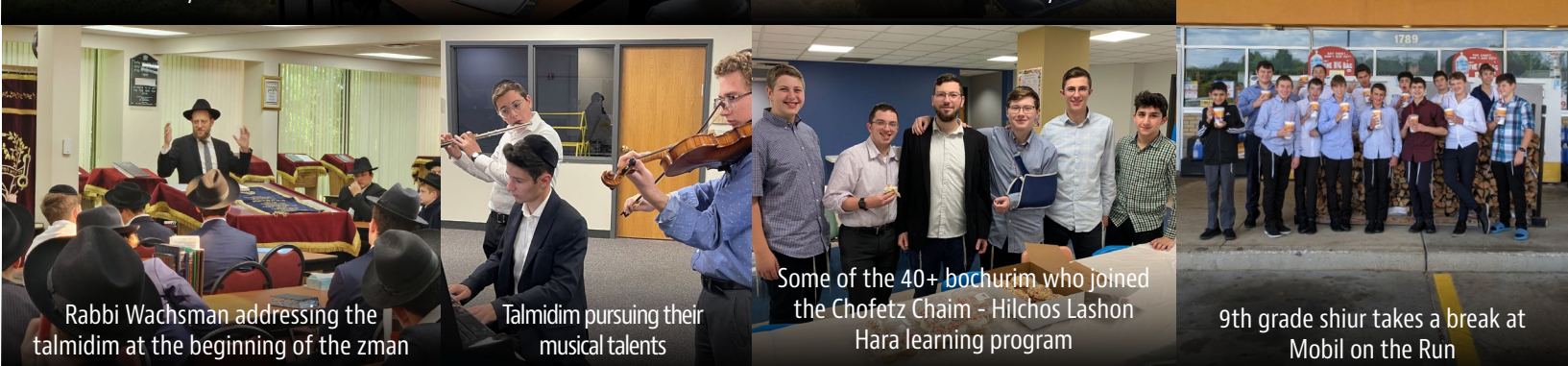
The Rosh Yeshiva of Ohr Zecharya in Lakewood, Rabbi Uren Reich, was invited by the St. Louis Community Kollel to speak to the community in honor of their recent siyum on Meseches Chulin. We had a tremendous zechus to capitalize on the opportunity to receive divrei hisorerus from the Rosh Yeshiva in a private session before the siyum. Yisroel Sklar, bais medrash talmid, describes the powerful impact Rabbi Reich's words had. "Rabbi Reich spoke about how Torah learning creates Yiras Shamayim within us," says Yisroel, "I was inspired to work harder in my learning." We thank the St. Louis Community Kollel for this incredible opportunity!

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Rabbi & Mrs. Menachem Wachsmann on the bar mitzvah of their son Yosef!



Netanel Brandman on his engagement to Ms. Rivka Lashak from Dallas, TX!
Jake Fendelman on his engagement to Ms. Rosie Weber from St. Louis, MO!
Tzvi Goldman on his engagement to Ms. Sarah Ringelheim from Dallas, TX!
Shmuel Kosofsky on his engagement to Ms. Shira Jaspan from Dallas, TX!
Eliezer Rosen on his engagement to Ms. Rachele Rabhan from Miami Beach, FL!

We mourn the recent loss of Dovi Porush, brother of our alumnus, Elisha Porush.



Moshe Levinger on his marriage to Ms. Ruti Munk!
Moshe Marcus on his marriage to Ms. Miriam Pearlman!
Yosef Steinberg on his marriage to Ms. Esther Meth!
Yehuda Tropper on his marriage to Ms. Shira Pomrantz!
Baruch Usprich on his marriage to Ms. Ilissa Davison!



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