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Rav Aaron Winter זצ"ל



Missouri Torah Institute, along with the Saint Louis community, was deeply saddened by the recent passing of Rav Aaron ben Shmuel zt"l. Rabbi Winter led the Chesterfield community as the mara d'asra of the Tpheris Israel Congregation for over 25 years. His unwavering commitment to spreading and teaching authentic Torah hashkafa, combined with his deep love for each congregant, led to the incredible Torah growth that the community has experienced.



Rabbi Winter's vision, determination and mesiras nefesh were directly responsible for the founding of MTI. He was a true friend of the yeshiva, constantly providing insight, guidance, and chizzuk that fueled our growth. We, along with his beloved community, are forever grateful and greatly indebted to Rabbi Winter for all that he has done for us.

May the Torah that was, is and will be learned at MTI be a זכות for his lofty נשמה. He most certainly has a great זכות in all the Torah that is learned in the yeshiva. יהי זכרו ברוך.

A Year of Unprecedented GROWTH

Baruch Hashem, this new school the Chesterfield Kollel, who is year has brought with it much growth at MTI. In September, we welcomed our largest freshman class with the addition of close to 20 new talmidim. While half of our freshman class consists of local students, we are excited that the reputation of the yeshiva continues to grow as we attract many non-local students who have chosen to make MTI their home away from home. We have also welcomed several new rebbeim to the MTI staff with the addition of Rabbi Pesach Eskenazi, current member of

teaching 9th grade bekiyus, and Rabbi Yaakov Silverman of the St. Louis Kollel, who gives a shiur during night seder.

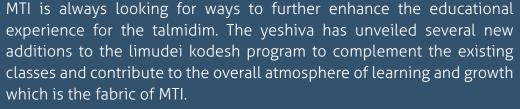
We have also enhanced our program with the hiring of a talented social worker, Mr. Joey Rosenfeld, who visits the yeshiva for several hours each week. We are excited as always about the expansion of the MTI Family and the start of a new year. We look forward to watching each of our talmidim grow in his appreciation of Torah and commitment to middos and derech eretz.





What's New?







To this end, our Iyun Seder has been increased and enhanced through the addition of time for hachana for each shiur. The focus of this time will be to help each talmid work on critical reading skills under the guidance of each shiur's rebbi. Hachana takes place in the bais medrash with the entire yeshiva learning together with their chavrusas. The kol Torah in the bais medrash is incredible.



This year during night seder, in addition to a dedicated focus on iyun review that enables the boys to solidify and retain the sugyos they are covering in the morning, there is also a new program. Each talmid participates in a special goal-focused project. Students choose to learn Parshas Hashavua, Mishnayos Seder Moed, or Maseches Sukkah, affording them the opportunity to learn something that is not part of the formal daily schedule. In addition, Rabbi Silverman joins the yeshiva on those nights to be mechazeik the learning and to give an optional shiur. Optional tests are given each week with incentives for high scores in order to further encourage the learning. The program is off to a wonderful and energetic start!

Brand New Dormitory LIBRARY

In recent weeks, the Yeshiva was excited to inaugurate a new Jewish library in the dormitory area. The library has approximately 80 Jewish hashkafa (philosophy) books and novels for the students to enjoy during their breaks. We thank Rabbi & Mrs. Yaakov Wasser of East Brunswick, New Jersey for making the lead gift toward this amazing new addition, in memory of Rabbi Hesh Wininger A"H. This is most certainly an enhancement to the boys' rest and relaxation, allowing them to recharge their batteries in a healthy and appropriate way!



RABBI ZVI TURK Visits MTI

We were zoche to host Rabbi Zvi Turk shlita, one of the take advantage of this great opportunity to continue Roshei Yeshiva of Yeshiva Tiferes Yisroel in Brooklyn, for Shabbos Parshas Chayei Sarah. On Friday morning, after delivering a shmuess to the yeshiva, he visited Torah Prep elementary school and spoke to the middle school boys about the value of learning Torah and working on good middos. Later, back at the yeshiva, Rabbi Turk went On Sunday morning at a breakfast meeting, Rabbi Turk into a couple of the shiurim to speak in learning with the bochurim. He was very impressed with the level and depth of learning of the talmidim. On Shabbos, Rabbi Turk gave a powerful mussar shmuess to the talmidim, during which he expounded upon the concept of gadlus haadom and our task of always growing, especially during these special and crucial years of high school and bais medrash. He told the chevra how lucky they were to have such great mechanchim and that they should

to grow and shteig. On Motzei Shabbos, Rabbi Turk spoke in University City at the home of Dr. & Mrs. Dovid Greengart about maximizing our children's potential. The packed crowd was uplifted with practical eitzos on how to be mechanech the future leaders of Klal Yisroel. spoke with the MTI board of directors and shared with them how much of a zechus it is to partner with the hanhala in building such an important makom Torah. He discussed the great impact MTI has made and will continue to make in the future. He also shared his vision and experiences in working with a group of dedicated baalei batim in building and growing a yeshiva, and gave a bracha to all of those involved in building and supporting such a wonderful makom Torah.











Binyomin Zev Hoffman

WHY I CHOSE MTI: I heard great things about the yeshiva before I came.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: US Government

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Working out and playing basketball

INTERESTING FACT: I enjoy American History.



Moshe Simcha Landon

WHY I CHOSE MTI: I came to the shabbaton and it seemed like a nice place with great opportunities.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Honors Algebra **FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Coding** INTERESTING FACT: I'm unbeatable on a pogo stick.

WHY I CHOSE MTI: I wanted to get a

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Biology

INTERESTING FACT: I'm the only

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Basketball



WHY I CHOSE MTI: Because I wanted to stay in town.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Gemara

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Hanging out with friends

INTERESTING FACT: I went to Epstein.



Izzy Potestio

Noah Arcega

pong on the side

Aharon Howley

and caring rebbeim.

milkshake buyer.

Jack Lefton

experience offered here.

WHY I CHOSE MTI: When I came to the

shabbaton last year, I really enjoyed the

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Computer

INTERESTING FACT: I enjoy math.

WHY I CHOSE MTI: Because of the nice

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Ping-Pong

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Bekius

INTERESTING FACT: I'm the lead

programming and coding...and some ping-

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Iyun

WHY I CHOSE MTI: It was the first and last yeshiva I looked into.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Computer Programming

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Friday football games

INTERESTING FACT: I like playing Settlers of Catan, Chess, and Dutch Blitz.



Rafi Usprich

WHY I CHOSE MTI: To be with my friends,

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Math because and halacha with Rabbi Fromowitz because he

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Krav Maga INTERESTING FACT: I like video games.



Noam Dallal

WHY I CHOSE MTI: The environment, teachers and students are very joyous, happy, bright and cheerful.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: In depth chumash with meforshim

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Workout room INTERESTING FACT: I'm the only sfardi in 9th grade.



Dovy Gordon

WHY I CHOSE MTI: The beautiful building, amazing rebbeim and the great extra-curricular activities.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Iyun **FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY:** Basketball

INTERESTING FACT: My friend's uncle knows one of the Roshei Yeshiva.



Shlomo Kaye

WHY I CHOSE MTI: I really enjoyed it when I came to visit.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Gemara

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: My favorite trip so far was laser tag.

INTERESTING FACT: My aunt's brother is Rabbi Wachsman.



Gavin Kornblum

WHY I CHOSE MTI: Very good English curriculum, beautiful building, really nice staff and the fact that all the students are welcoming and accepting.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Iyun - I am learning a lot and I really respect my rebbe. FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Krav Maga INTERESTING FACT: I am a boy scout and I am in the Patrol Leader Council.



Levi Lieb

WHY I CHOSE MTI: I wanted to live at home.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Biology **FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY:** Basketball INTERESTING FACT: I like chess and card games.



Shmuli Lefton

WHY I CHOSE MTI: It's a great school for the learning and for the fun.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: How to grow and be a good Jew

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Basketball INTERESTING FACT: I like to play and

follow sports.

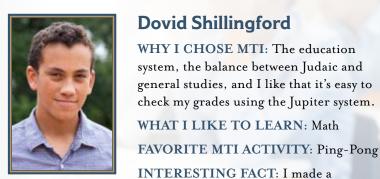


Aharon Staum

WHY I CHOSE MTI: Because I think it's an amazing yeshiva and has a great learning environment for me.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Gemara **FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Basketball** and football.

INTERESTING FACT: I like the New York Yankees.



Mordechai Wasser

computer once.

WHY I CHOSE MTI: It seemed like everyone liked MTI and was having a good

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Iyun **FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY:** Football

INTERESTING FACT: I'm the shortest



Aryeh Winter

WHY I CHOSE MTI: I remember when the yeshiva was in TICK and I wanted to be part of it - and now here I am.

WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Bekius **FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY:** Basketball **INTERESTING FACT:** I enjoy playing sports and hiking.





Dovi Strimber

talmid from San Diego.

Avraham Peikes

good Jewish education.

WHY I CHOSE MTI: To get a good English and Judaic education. WHAT I LIKE TO LEARN: Algebra

FAVORITE MTI ACTIVITY: Basketball INTERESTING FACT: I'm the 2nd tallest in the 9th grade.



because my brother went here and because the rebbeim are super caring and nice.

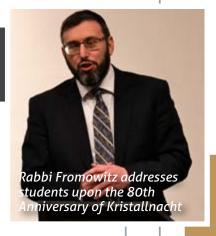
Mr. Lawrence teaches the lessons thoroughly explains halachos with practical applications.



time.

kid in the school





































ALUMNIHappenings

As the Yeshiva grows, so do our alumni. We are so proud of our past talmidim. They have taken their MTI lessons and are using them to be mekadash Shem Shamiyim.

It has been so exciting to share in the milestones of our students' lives. It is exceptionally meaningful to share in simchas of weddings, births and happy occasions. We look forward to sharing many more simchas in the future.



In June, we had an exciting reunion at Carlos & Gabby's in New York with around 50 alumni joining to spend time with rebbeim and fellow chaverim.





Over Succos, we had two gala Simchas Bais Hashoaivos for current and past students in New York and Saint Louis. Thank you to the Shmidmans and Goldmans for hosting.



We are so excited to announce a new learning opportunity for our esteemed alumni. After Succos, Rabbi Avroham Goldman began a Sunday morning alumni breakfast and shiur. The half-hour shiur features a new topic each week and is recorded and available for download on the MTI website. A special thank you to our alumnus Jordan Rosenblum for initiating this project.



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ISRAEL RAFFLE WINNER - MR. NATHAN RUBINFELD OF BURBANK, CA!

We would like to thank all those who participated in our raffle campaign this year.

Through your generous support, the learning at Missouri Torah Institute continues to thrive!

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The Reiss Family dedicates the Bais Medrash Entrance in loving memory of

Mr. Bernard Reiss A"H בנימין לייב בן יחיאל ע"ה



The Boime Family

dedicates the Yeshiva Garden in loving memory of Max & Dorothy Boime A"H Isadore & Jeanne Kammer A"H Albert Boime A"H Jerry Boime A"H Ruth Kohn Boime A"H

