

CINCINNATI



Rabbi Daniel Glatstein delivering a *shiur* at the Cincinnati Community Kollel. (L-R): Rabbi Yosef Alt, Rabbi Daniel Glatstein, and Rabbi Chaim Heinemann, *Rosh Kollel*, Cincinnati Community Kollel.



Rabbi Daniel Glatstein and Cincinnati community members at the kever of Rabbi Avraham Gershon Lesser.

Golf Manor Shul Hosts Rabbi Daniel Glatstein

On *Shabbos Parashas Vay-akhel*, February 25-27, Golf Manor Synagogue (GMS) hosted Rabbi Daniel Glatstein, Rav of Kehillas Ahavas Yisrael of Cedarhurst, and renowned speaker and author, in honor of *Shabbos Mevorchim Adar*.

At a *Leil Shabbos oneg*, Rabbi Glatstein shared remarkable stories from his many international *kevarim* trips. Amid the laughter and amazement was the clear message that having a connection with a *Rebbi* is critical to growing as a Jew and connecting to the authors of the *sefarim* we learn brings their Torah to life.

Rabbi Glatstein's *drashos* and *shiurim* covered a broad range of topics all connected to the upcoming Yom Tov of Purim. On *Shabbos* day, Rabbi Glatstein delivered the *Shabbos drashah* in shul, gave a class for women after *Kiddush*, a *shiur* before *Minchah* and a *dvar Torah* at *seudah shelishis*. On *Motzoei Shabbos*, he spoke at a shul *melaveh malkah*.

During his visit to Cincinnati, Rabbi Glatstein also visited the Mesivta of Cincinnati, the Cincinnati Kollel and Ohr Torah day school.

On Sunday, Golf Manor Synagogue partnered with Jewish Cemeteries of Greater Cincinnati (JCGC) for a special trip to the cemeteries with Rabbi Glatstein.

The group visited the *kevarim* of several Rabbanim who had lived in Cincinnati in the earlier part of the 1900s.

They started at the *kever* of Rabbi Yissachar Dov (Bernard) Illowy, *zt"l*, where Rabbi Glatstein described many fascinating details of his life. Rabbi Illowy was one of the earliest voices of Orthodox Jewry in America; his pen was his sword, with which he battled the tides of assimilation created by reform. Rabbi Glatstein shared, "You may wonder, where are the shuls and schools that this great man created?"

"They are nowhere to be found and they are everywhere! He devoted his life to maintaining authentic Judaism in America;

it is to his credit that any and every Orthodox institution exists today."

The group also visited the *kevarim* of Rabbi Avraham Gershon Lesser, Reb Schachne Isaacs, and Rabbi Eliezer Silver, *zicher tzadikim livrachah*. Again, Rabbi Glatstein shared fascinating historical anecdotes about each one, and discussed the impact that each had on American Jewry today.

Rabbi Glatstein asked the Cincinnati community to stay in touch and continue to learn with him via his many recorded *shiurim*. Many Cincinnatians were left forever touched, moved and inspired by Rabbi Glatstein from his short visit to Cincinnati.

CHICAGO

Mishnah Yomi at Yeshivas HaMasmidim At the Chicago Center

The Chicago Center offers the Jewish community numerous opportunities for personal and group learning each day — stretching from early morning until late at night.

One of these learning programs is Yeshivas HaMasmidim — a nightly learning program for sixth-eighth graders. The yeshivah offers the *bachurim* who attend an hour of learning and *tefillah b'tzibur*. The boys receive a nightly stipend and can enjoy Rosh Chodesh *mesibos*, special Yamim Tovim raffles throughout the year and much more.

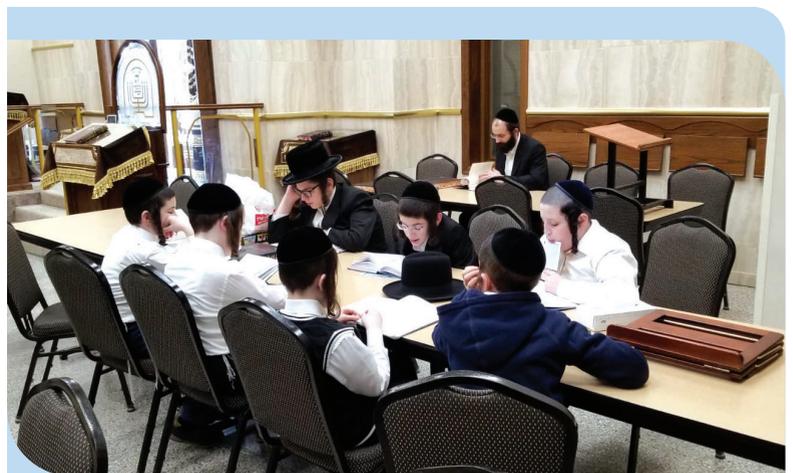
Yeshivas HaMasmidim is under

the supervision of Rabbi Yitzchok Bider and is sponsored in memory of Mr. Mordechai Leib Mauer, *z"l*.

Recently, the *bachurim* were very enthusiastic to join the world-wide daily learning cycle of *Mishnah Yomi*, and almost every one of the boys who attend Yeshivas HaMasmidim signed up.

Many *bachurim* cover the two nightly *mishnayos* with a single *chavrusa* or with a larger group, with each *bachur* saying the *mishnayos* for the others on a rotating basis.

To date, the *bachurim* have finished two *masechtos*, *Brachos* and *Pe'ah*, and have attended a *siyum mesibos*, special Yamim Tovim raffles throughout the year and much more. We wish them much *hatzlachah* in their long, but attainable, trek through *Shas*.



A *Mishnah Yomi chaburah* at Yeshivas HaMasmidim, given by *Habachur* Yaakov Schlessinger, whose proud father says that he prepares very thoroughly to be able to give the nightly *shiur*.