

Dear Rabbayim, Hanhala and the entire School Staff,

I just had the pleasure of reacquainting myself with two of the most remarkable bochrin. They shared with me the story and history of your school. I have to take a moment out of my day to share a few observations.

I can only presume that such fine bochurim came from the direct involvement of such an incredible Rebeyim and staff. The two bochurim shared with me the greatness of their Rebeyim and did not even for a moment hesitate to share with me the equal respect and awe they have for their secular teachers as well.

I myself came from a more troubled background. I graduated back in the 1997. I can only say that if it was not for my Rebeyim that I had in high school [and my 8th Rebbe ZTK"l] that years after I left the fold, I re-ignited my yidishkeit and decided on a whim to take a second look only because I knew my Rebeyim would have wanted me to at least take a second look – but for that I would not have achieved a fraction of what I am today. To this day, it pains me that in my generation there were not enough schools out there who were able to reach out to and understand the challenges faced by bochurim at the turn of the century.

As I shared with your Bochurim I am not yet in a financial position to be a stronger partner in the hard work and truly amazing school you have quietly building behind some bushes in Cherry Hill. But please please do not give up. There are many many individuals who can and will help build a proper facility for the bochurim and help underwrite the necessary overhead costs for such an operation. You are saving lives! Literally and figuratively. I did not share with the bochurim the more sordid and darker side of my history and the bochurim certainly do not need to know of the too many people I know from my generation that did not make it through. My chavrusa from Eretz Yisroel used to tell me, Hamaybven Yuvin.

I know it's a hard road to follow. I did kiruv rechokim for 8 years. Due to personal reasons I had to move along and went to law school. I don't have any regrets but certainly I am worried that in shemayim they will have a tagna against me for 'letting go' when I did. However, when I see two tenacious bochurim who speak with such passion and fervor for their school and have such middos [that is not something you can hide or fake – at least not to me] I am personally inspired and overcome with emotion.

Thank you for the opportunity to be a small part in the greatness you are quietly building up there in the NE.

Hatzlacho and brocha in all your endeavors!

Truly yours,

A Quiet Fan in...