

Plainview Shabbaton with Shevet Glaubah Fellows

SHEVET GLAUBACH FELLOWS ENGAGE COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY

What a busy month it has been for our Shevet Glaubach Fellows. Between planning shabbatons, traveling their communities, spending time with their NCSYers and deepening their relationships, leading weekly chavrutas and chaburas and Latte and Learns, and so much more. Fellows have been connecting and inspiring teens across the country! Our Fellows are truly making an impact on their teens and communities.

This past month, Fellows have collaborated on individual community shabbatons

from Plainview to Savannah beyond, Ottawa and orchestrated bringing have teens together from across communities multiple for regional Shabbatons, and have continued to broaden their perspectives through the Lenses of Leadership series. This month Fellows heard from Rabbi Penner and Rabbi Bashevkin who spoke about taking an Achrayus in the community, and how this theme relates not only to the choices they make in their lives now, but also how this relates to the choices they will make about their futures.

As we gather with friends and family in celebrating Thanksgiving, we reflect on the gratitude we share as members of the Shevet Glaubach Fellowship. We are so grateful to be building so many incredible relationships, fostering so much Torah growth, and continually working towards strengthening and inspiring the next generation of klal Yisroel. All of our gratitude extends to the entire Glaubach Shevet for their generosity and their vision in making this program a reality.

A NOTE FROM R. SAMMY ARONSON, PLAINVIEW DIRECTOR



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The Shevet Glaubach Fellowship has continued to make a tremendous impact on the Mid-Island Plainview community this year. The Shevet Glaubach Fellows of the 22-23 cohort are making Yiddiskiet vibrant and engaging for so many students who they meet, many of whom have never before had a taste of authentic Judaism.

We have had an incredibly busy start to the year in Plainview. Our Fellows Shaindy Berman and Ayli Takaloy have been the driving force behind our weekly Latte and Learn Program in Plainview, bringing the program to new heights. These Fellows have been connecting with teens, serving up Pizza and Torah to local teens in the Plainview Community. One of our star Fellows, Jacob Goldsmith, has pioneered a new JSU Scoop Program in Commack, where he teaches Jewish wisdom to public school

SGF SPOTLIGHT ON
SGF SHABBATON THAT BROUGHT TOGETHER
JACKSONVILLE, CHARLESTON, SAVANNAH,
AND ORLANDO COMMUNITIES
BY: FIRST YEAR FELLOW, SARAH LEIDERMAN



This past shabbos I had the privilege of spending time with amazing communities Charleston, of Jacksonville, and Savannah, Orlando Jacksonville, Florida. Teens came from all these communities to participate in an nesy shabbaton. I firsthand got to witness what it is that NCSY and SGF have the ability to do, which is inspire. They infuse the upcoming generation with torah. Friday morning I went to Wolfson High School in Jacksonville for a jsu club, and I got to witness some of the amazing teens and what they do. They wear their Judaism with pride in a world and school in which anti semitism is blaring. They blast their Hebrew music on a speaker through the hallways of their school. During the club teens stood up and told their favorite stories about being in Israel and throughout Shabbos a theme was why are we proud to be jewish. These teens face all different kinds of struggles in their lives yet they show up to events to find out more and get closer to their creator. For some of these teens it may have been their first time at kabbalah shabbos, yet we danced for hours and made it a meaningful

enjoyable experience. We talked about all types of questions throughout our shabbos meals and discussed important topics in judaism. It was eye opening for both me and them, to understand each other and bond over who we are and what we represent. The entire shabbos had so much ruach from both staff and teens, with chaburot and torah being shared whenever possible. One thing that really stuck with me was what one teen turned to me and said. We were sitting together on the bus on the way to a Jaguar's football game and everyone on the bus was yelling and laughing. This was a girl who had just found out about NCSY for the first time and she looked at me and said, "I love being Jewish". Although she may have been saying this in a fun way because we were all excited and energetic on the way to the game, her words held so much power. She felt a connection to the people around her and the weekend that instilled within her a recognition of what she has access to. As jews we face many challenges in an advancing world, yet our dedication to remain true to who we are and our love of Hashem is what makes us separate and holy.

WORDS OF TORAH

SHALOM BRAUSER FROM HOLLYWOOD, FL

> SECOND YEAR FELLOW, REGIONAL COMMUNITY



One of the most foundational experiences in my Jewish Journey was the summer after 10th grade, when I was privileged to participate in an NCSY summer program. The director, was a particularly inspiring role model for me. Because of my exposure to him, I was able to find the Koach within myself to grow as a proud member of the Jewish people. How did he have such a strong impact on me?

It was many things. It was the fantastic and fun program he ran. It was his meaningful Divrei Torah, his impressive oratory skills. But above all, it was his Middos. The way he took interest in what you had to say, his attentive and thoughtful smile, his timely and sensitive humor, calculated to elevate, not denigrate. From him I learned that, on the whole, you don't impact people with words and speeches, with ideas or moments. Those are crucial, of course. But they are nothing if they aren't coupled with personal refinement, sterling character traits, and genuine friendliness. He inspired me to write in my journal: "I want to be one of those people who can show you everything it means to be a Jew with a handshake and a smile.'

FACES OF THE FELLOWSHIP



COBY KOHANIM GREAT NECK, NY

Hi, my name is Coby Kohanim and I'm currently a junior studying Finance/ Management at Baruch College. I'm from Great Neck NY and I'm excited to be apart of Shevet Glaubach for a second year because of the work done during last years session. From the teaching and the growing with the kids to the fun events we had as a region, I can't wait to see what's new and what's possible with Shevet Glaubach!



GIDON HAGLER

ELIZABETH, NJ

Hi, my name is Gidon Hagler and I was born and raised in Elizabeth, NJ. I went to JEC for high school, and after two years at Yeshivat Sha'alvim I am now a senior at YU's Sy Syms School of Business majoring in accounting. I am excited about the opportunities through the NCSY Shevet Glaubach Fellowship because I had the zechus of being a southern advisor last year, and it was an unbelievable experience that I want to have again this year! I

am very excited to connect with Jews

at all levels!



MICHELLE WEINGARTEN
QUEENS, NY

Hi! I'm Michelle Weingarten from Queens, New York. I went to Central for high school and then attended Michlalah for seminary. I just graduated from Stern College with a degree in Psychology. I am taking a gap year and then I plan on applying and attending dental school next year. As a Shevet Glaubach Fellow, I am looking forward to making an impact and forging relationships with my teens and my community.



LEEYAN COHEN

AVENTURA, FL

Hi! My name is Leeyan Cohen. I'm from Aventura, FL and i'm starting my bachelors degree in education at Broward College. I'm so excited for this incredible year of events and connections. Being with my teens and creating relationships with them is what I love most about being a Shevet Glaubach Fellow. I enjoy the one on one learning, the shabbatons and weekly events. I personally have gained so much from the Shevet Glaubach Fellowship and I am very grateful to the Glaubach family for this program.

A NOTE FROM R. SAMMY ARONSON (CON'T)

teens. Back in Plainview, our Fellow Rafi Almoslino has drawn in large crowds of local Public school teens to his own JSU Scoop program where makes Torah relevant and relatable to the next generation. Additionally, our Fellows have come together to plan and create two beautiful Shabbatons in Plainview with our teens. Each Shabbaton incorporated programming that were planned and run by our Fellows for both public school and day school teens.

On behalf of the Plainview community, I would just like to the thank Dr. Felix and Miriam Glaubach and the Glaubach family for their dedicated investment and vision for the Jewish future.

WORDS OF TORAH (CON'T)

Because if anyone embodied that, he did and continues to now.

I can't say I've succeeded in becoming one of those people yet. But I believe that to go into Kiruv without trying to be that person is a mistake. What do we do as advisors? Of course we teach, prepare educational material, facilitate logistics, do curfew,. But, most of all, we hang out. We connect with teens on their level, meet them where they are. We are ambassadors of Torah, capable of inspiring by the way we speak and smile, laugh and listen, cry and commiserate. How lofty our goal, and yet, how achievable. Ashreinu Mah Tov Chelkeinu!

HIGHLIGHTS







Lenses of Leadership



Shevet Glaubach Fellows and JSU Pivate_Latin community get together



Shevet Glaubach Fellows and community directors planning



SGF and nosyers spend shabbos together in Plainview



Miami Chapter Latte and Learn with Shevet Glaubach Fellows

HIGHLIGHTS



Savannah Shabbaton Motzei Shabbos fun with Shevet Glaubach Fellows













Shevet Glaubach Fellows led a discussions with JSU Private students



