

Your Say

An Interview With Rebbetzin Bracha Kopolovitch Issue # 448

Although I enjoy reading your magazine on Shabbos, living in St. Louis means my *Binah* sometimes comes late. That was the case this week, as it was delivered with my mail Shabbos morning and I had to wait until after *Havdalah* to open it up. Imagine my surprise to see an article about Rebbetzin Kopolovitch, daughter of the Nesivos Shalom!

You see, I give a class in my home every other Motzoei Shabbos for post-seminary girls, and we always learn a selection on the *parashah* from the Nesivos Shalom together. I had just finished giving the class when I opened the magazine and found the article. It was so beautiful to read personal stories about the *Gadol* whose words we have been studying for more than a year.

The other part of my joy was that the article was written by my old friend from seminary, Penina Neiman. Thanks, *Binah*, for a winning combination.

Mimi David

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This was a delightful read — well thought out, well expressed, and so real!

I felt like the words were taken straight out of my torn and tear-stained journal; my only confidant throughout that miserable year.

I have emerged from the other end, not blinking, just searching, with a slightly smaller group of still single friends, teaching, trying, and testing. Still testing.

I don't understand why B. Myndi finished off the way she did, though. I don't know what made her say, „Where is the new generation of fighters?“

A teen today confronts daily struggles that a woman of 50 may never have faced in her *life*! Don't you know young, fresh post-sem girls or married women who are choosing *emes* over blinding *sheker*, *mussar sefarim* over movies, longer skirts, tighter collars, kosher phones and *kollel* homes, pulling *kedushah* over the *tumah* so enticingly offered by the modern world?

They are fighters! Fighters with little ammunition, but burning hearts and searching souls, digging answers with only their bare hands.

Is a seminary year of the bygone quarter-century the only long, dark tunnel?

DB

Surviving September Issue # 447

We were pleased to see your article addressing some of the sinkholes that swallow us up without warning on the way to meeting our “back to school” obligations. Mrs. Kohn touched on many of the basic elements of financial stability - saving small sums all year to tide one over the big spending months, keeping records to streamline the next year's spending, working with a list and limited cash to avoid impulse buying. These are indispensable tools in September and all year round.

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