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ing teachers taught us Talmud, philosophy, Midrash and Jewish Law. While learning about the prophet Elijah in the books of Kings, we also expanded our realm of study with an art class about him. I particularly enjoyed our class on Aramaic grammar, a subject I barely touched upon in high school.

Along with all our learning, we enjoyed other activities from kick boxing lessons to spending two spirit-filled Shabbatonim together. Exploring the city of New York, we visited the Metropolitan Museum of Art, canoeed in Central Park and also did a little shopping on the side.

But more important to me than the actual classes or the fun activities was the overall feeling in the air at Drisha — the feeling of love for Torah. I just enjoyed being with the teachers and the participants, who all showed an inspiring dedication to Torah study. While discussing philosophical issues, we encouraged each other to learn and seek answers to our questions.

I always will cherish the experiences I had at Drisha Institute, especially the deep desire to learn Torah that I felt, the tremendous knowledge I gained and the excellent friends I made.

Sarah Weinerman

EDITOR'S NOTE: For more information about the Drisha Summer High School Program, visit the Drisha web site at www.drisha.org or call (203) 777-1894.

Columbus discovers Drisha

To The Editor:

This past summer I had an incredible experience. It did not involve a road trip across country or a hike that met the sunrise but rather something much more enriching. I had the opportunity to learn Torah with 22 girls who were just as excited about Torah study as I am.

Traveling from places such as Maryland, Pennsylvania, Atlanta, Canada, and Israel, girls piled into New York City to participate in the Drisha Summer High School Program, a five-week intense Judaic studies learning program.

Living together in a house in Riverdale, a neighborhood north of Manhattan, we took the subway every day to 131 W. 86th St where fascinating classes awaited us. Enthusiastic and inspir-

