

OVS Weekly

**A glance at the upcoming spiritual and social events at Or
VeShalom**

Shabbat Vayeshev

Genesis 37:1 – 40:23

Joseph's brothers were jealous of the fact that, as his father's favorite, Jacob had given him a coat of many colors. Their hate was intensified when Joseph told of two dreams he had, which implied that they would be subordinate to him.

One day, Jacob sent Joseph to see how his brothers were faring while minding the flock. Seeing him from afar, the brothers conspired to kill him, but Reuben intervened by suggesting that Joseph be cast into a pit, from which he later intended to rescue him. The brothers concurred and stripped Joseph of his colored coat.

As a caravan of Ishmaelite merchants approached, Judah told his brothers it would be more profitable to sell Joseph to them than to kill him. Other merchants - Midianites - also happened to pass by and, hearing Joseph's cries, they removed him from the pit and sold him to the Ishmaelites, who took Joseph to Egypt. There he was sold to Potiphar, captain of Pharaoh's guard.

Reuben, who had been away at the time, returned to find Joseph gone. The brothers decided to dip Joseph's coat in animal blood and, bringing it back to their father, told Jacob that "an evil beast" had devoured Joseph. Jacob donned sackcloth "and mourned for his son many days."

(The story of Joseph's fortunes is interrupted by incidents involving Judah, his three sons and his daughter-in-law, Tamar, whose first two husbands died and who deceived Judah into sleeping with her, in order to bear a child, rather than wait for the third son to grow up and marry her.)

In Egypt, meanwhile, Joseph prospered in the service of Potiphar, but the captain's wife made advances to him and, when rejected, invented a story and had Joseph thrown into prison. There he met the chief butler and chief baker whose dreams he interpreted as meaning that the former would be restored to office, while the latter would hang.

Candle Lighting and Service Times

12/19	Friday Morning	7:30 a.m.
	Shabbat Candle Lighting	5:14 p.m.
	Friday Night Services	6:30 p.m.
12/20	Shabbat Morning Services	8:30 a.m.
	Mincha	5:00 p.m.
	Arvit	5:50 p.m.
	Havdalah	6:06 p.m.
12/21	Sunday Morning	8:30 a.m.
12/22	Monday Morning - Hanukah	7:30 a.m.
12/25	Thursday Morning – Hanukah	8:30 a.m.

Happy Hanukah!

first light: Sunday, December 21 at nightfall

last light: Sunday, December 28 at nightfall

Be sure to join us for Shabbat services on December 27,
when our Kiddush will feature latkes and other Hanukah treats!

Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Kassorla Wednesdays at noon in the Library

*Do you want to learn to read Hebrew?
Read from the prayer book during services?*

**Beginning Hebrew reading is taught on
Sundays, from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.**

Join Rabbi Kassorla for
Sundaes on Thursdays

Come to the OVS Library, grab a scoop of ice cream,
and load on the toppings. Then sit back and enjoy an enlightening
evening of everything you wanted to know (but were afraid to ask) about
Moses.

Thursday, January 8 ~ 7:30 p.m.

“Moses the Man”

Thursday, January 15 ~ 7:30 p.m.

“Moses the Prophet”

Thursday, January 22 ~ 7:30 p.m.

“Moses the Deliverer”

***Sisterhood will be taking a much needed break
from cooking!***

Cooking will resume in January to fill all those bureka orders!

**THE JEWISH EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE
on Capitol Avenue
is planning a REUNION early in 2009.**

The organizing committee is seeking the names of everyone who was ever in the old building that was the gathering place for the Jewish community in the 1930's, '40's and early '50's. Please send your name and the name of your club or chapter to jewish-alliance-capitol-ave-jea@mindspring.com or to Sam Pinsky, 1874 Volberg St. NW, Atlanta 30318. For more information, call Archie Merlin at 404-259-4338.

**ENROLL YOUR COLLEGE STUDENT
(graduate or undergraduate, in-town or out-of-town)
IN THE OVS COLLEGE OUTREACH PROGRAM!!!**

It may be too late for the Rosh Hashanah package, but there's still time before Tu B'Shevat!

We have 88 students at 42 different colleges and universities enrolled so far this year.

Don't let your college student miss out on receiving holiday packages full of goodies and greetings from the Kehilah.

**Contact Nancy Galanti for an enrollment form
at nmgalanti@mindspring.com or 404-847-0387.**

MJCCA Stay & Play Intown Group

Join us every Tuesday morning

from 10:30 a.m. until noon in the end classroom at OVS!

Bring your little ones, aged 6 weeks to 18 months for this low-key group!

For more information, contact Allison Feldman at 678-812-4174 or allison.feldman@atlantajcc.org.

Save the date! Plan to attend!
Or VeShalom Israel Bonds Brunch
Sunday, January 18, 2009 ~ 10:30 a.m.

Join us as we recognize our honorees Shelley & Neil Cooper.
*Mazel Tov Bonds are available in \$50 increments starting at \$100
and make great Hanukah gifts!*
Support Israel Bonds and Or VeShalom!

Marrow Donor Drive in Honor of Eric Chanin
(brother of OVS member Ron Chanin)
Sunday, January 25, 2009 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Eric Chanin (49-years old), a devoted husband and father of three children, was diagnosed with Leukemia in 1999. Now, Eric and other patients like him are looking for people whose tissue type matches their own so they can receive a life-saving marrow transplant. They need to find someone like you, willing to become a marrow donor.

Please sign up to join the NMDP (National Marrow Donor Program) Registry of volunteer marrow donors. *You could save a life!* You must be between the ages of 18-60, meet the health guidelines, fill out a form, give a cheek cell swab and be willing to donate to any patient in need.

Eastern European donors are urgently needed! Patients are more likely to match donors of the same racial and ethnic heritage. More donors of all races and ethnicities are needed. Eric's heritage is Ukranian and Lithuanian.

For more information or to sign up, call Pam Chanin at 770-578-1146.

Refuah Shelemah to:

Joyce Alhadeff, Betty M. Arogeti, Morris Benveniste, Claudine Geduldig, Joe Cohen, Barrie Antebi, Eileen Cahn, Jerry Gordon, Lauren Amar Parra

You can sponsor a Kiddush in honor or in memory of a loved one
or for a special occasion. Call Temi in the office for more
information.

**See updates and details
on the OVS website at www.orveshalom.org**