

Refuah Shelema to :

Rabbi Ichay, Sue Wolfe, Aaron Sinkoe

Mazal Tov to :

Aryeh Antour and Bella Molokandova on their marriage.

Women's Rosh Hodesh Group

Wednesday, December 14 ~ 7:30 p.m.

Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Kassorla

will not meet on December 15.

The next session will be on Thursday, December 22, in the OVS Library.

At Home with Rabbi Kassorla ~ Sunday, December 25 at 1:30 p.m.

All OVS members and friends are invited for a friendly get-together at the home of Ann & Sam Benator, 138 Johnson Ferry Road, Atlanta, 30328.

Join us for some schmoozing and an inspiring talk with the Rabbi on the topic of "The Hanukah and Christmas Dilemma".

BE A PINCH HITTER! Volunteer on December 25th!

The Pinch Hitter Program (organized by B'nai B'rith and chaired by Harry Lutz and Jerry Kravitz) provides volunteers to work in non-medical positions in area hospitals, giving employees the day off to spend with their families. Pinch Hitters will work in 4-hour shifts at 14 hospitals and assisted living facilities this year.

Sign up online at www.pinchhitters.org.

For more information, call Harry at 770-392-1175 or Jerry at 770-640-5091.

OVS is forming a Professional Networking Alliance.

Stay tuned for programming details in early 2012!

For more information or to be added to the distribution list, contact Simone Feldman at simonef_ckdcdbd@comcast.net or 404-386-9487.

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Or VeShalom Israel Bonds Brunch ~ Sunday, January 15, 2012

Join us as we recognize our honorees Ruth & Abe Alhadeff.

Plan now to invest in Israel Bonds!

**Volunteers Needed for the Shearith Israel Women's Shelter
January 23 - 29, 2012**

OVS will once again be preparing our famous dinners for the ladies.

Please contact Janet Galanti at janetgalanti27@gmail.com or 770-396-5252 to volunteer to help cook and deliver food and/or to donate toiletries (*but no clothing*) to the shelter.



The OVS AED (automated external defibrillator) is located on the stage in the alcove to the left of the Ark.

CONGREGATION OR VESHALOM

December 10 – 16, 2011

14 – 20 Kislev 5772

Perashat Vayishlach

Shabbat Shalom!



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Weekly Services

12/10	Shabbat Morning Services	8:45 a.m.
	Mincha	4:45 p.m.
	Arvit	5:45 p.m.
	Havdalah	6:03 p.m.
12/11	Sunday Morning	8:30 a.m.
12/12	Monday Morning	7:30 a.m.
12/15	Thursday Morning	7:30 a.m.
12/16	Friday Morning	7:30 a.m.
	Shabbat Candle Lighting	5:13 p.m.
	Friday Evening Services	6:30 p.m.

Shabbat Perashat Vayishlach

Perasha: Genesis 32:4 - 36:43 (Page 122)

Haftarah: Obadiah 1:1 - 21 (Page 137)

In this week's Perasha, Jacob is ready to come home, but still fears his brother Esau. Jacob sends messengers to greet Esau and is informed that Esau is approaching, prepared to do battle. Jacob then applies a three pronged strategy in preparation for the confrontation: a) tefillah, b) diplomacy, c) war. Prior to the actual confrontation, Jacob beats Esau in a spiritual battle with Esau's angel, and earns the name "Yisroel." Jacob and Esau reunite after 34 years. Jacob and Esau agree to separate peacefully. Esau returns to his kingdom of Seir, and Jacob settles outside of the city of Shechem. Leah's daughter Dina is abducted and raped by Shechem the son of Chamor. Shimon and Levi devise a strategy for successfully killing the entire male population of Shechem. Rachel dies while giving birth to Benjamin.

The ongoing battle between Jacob and Esau is the main theme of the prophecy of Obadiah. The prophecy focuses on the ultimate judgment that Esau's descendants face: G-d will emerge as the true King of all. The Haftarah answers the question raised in the Perasha as to what are the real feelings of Esau to Jacob.

Update on Rabbi Ichay

We are glad to report that Rabbi Ichay is resting well, and occasionally has had the opportunity to get out of the house for small periods of time.

We again would like to make the following request of those who would like to visit him in his home: **PLEASE CALL AHEAD AND ASK IF A VISIT IS CONVENIENT.** It would be preferable for visits to take place **AFTER 3:00 IN THE AFTERNOON**, and urge that you strongly consider this request.

The family also asks that visits be limited to **no more than 15 minutes**. Rabbi Ichay gets very tired when well-wishers stay too long. Recent visitors have come in large groups and stayed for many hours. This is not acceptable and could be detrimental to Rabbi Ichay's overall health.

Please respect this request – for the sake of optimizing Rabbi Ichay's health and comfort. And please continue to keep Rabbi Ichay, Blanchette and David in your thoughts and prayers.

MELDADOS

We Remember

Kislev

15	12/11	Emily Campeas, Estreya Maslia, Yitzhak Mishaeli, Louis Ruskin, Rose Shuman
16	12/12	Joseph Alhadeff, Oziel Bangiyev, Louis Cohen, Isaac Hazan, Reina Ohana Melo, Antonio Pupo
17	12/13	Rebecca Behar
18	12/14	Bernard Birnbaum, Semha Francis, Sylvia Kaplan Richman
19	12/15	Benoit Levi, Regina Maslia, Lillian Wolfe
20	12/16	Joseph Borodovsky, Molly Katz, Samuel Lyalin

36th Annual OVS Hanukah Bazaar!

Sunday, December 11 ~ 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Shop over 30 artist vendors! Bring the family for fun children's activities!

Bid on great items and services in the Silent Auction!

Browse the Used Book Room for great buys!

Enjoy tasty Sephardic delicacies – come for lunch and stay for dinner!

To volunteer at the Bazaar please call Leah Kaplan at 770-441-0816.

We need lots of helpers to set up on Saturday night starting at 6:45.

Even if you only have an hour to spare, please pitch in!

Sisterhood has been cooking all week...and is ready for Bazaar!!

Our weekday workers shared some good times, ate some yummy lunches, and had a chance to win a dozen of each day's yield.

This week's biscoches winners were Hugh Berger, Betty Israel, and Betty Handmacher; bureka winners were Sandra Russo, Beth Arogeti, and Jeanette Arogeti.

Win Your Share of \$3,250 in the OVS Cash Raffle at the Bazaar!

Tickets are just \$35 each. Buy two tickets for \$50.

You can buy tickets and give them to your children or grandchildren as an early Hanukah present! You can pool together with your friends, neighbors, or co-workers to improve your chances of WINNING! You can help raise funds for programs and help our Kehilah grow from strength to strength!

Can't make it to the Bazaar but want to get in on the Raffle action?

Contact Brad Ladden at 404-842-2457.

OVS Annual General Meeting ~ Sunday, December 18

Refreshments will be served beginning at 9:30 a.m., and the meeting will start at 10:00 a.m.

Note change of date!

Rabbi Kassorla's monthly **B'nai Mitzvah Prep Program** continues on Thursday, **December 22** at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance is mandatory to become Bar or Bat Mitzvah at our synagogue.

The topic for this session will be "**Jewish Rituals**".

Pizza and soda is served at each session.