



Young Emissaries Lihi and Omri  
invite you to celebrate

# Mimouna

## 2016

**Moroccan Desserts, fun & Israeli music**

Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> Open House,  
Havdalah 8:30 PM Home of Sharon family  
76 West Main Street, Westborough

Can't wait to see you all

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# What is the Mimouna?





Mimouna is a traditional North African Jewish celebration held the day after Passover, marking the return to eating *chametz* (leavened foods), which are forbidden throughout the week of Passover. It's celebrated on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of Nissan and in the diaspora the 23<sup>rd</sup> of Nissan.

In Morocco of old days, on the afternoon of the last day of Passover, Muslim neighbors bring to the homes of their Jewish neighbors, gifts of flour, honey, milk, butter and green beans to be used to prepare post Passover *chametz* dishes.



# *Mimouna in Israel*



The Mimouna has become a popular annual happening featuring outdoor parties, picnics, BBQs, and politics: A central celebration in Jerusalem's Sacher Park draws about 100,000 people, usually including the President and Prime Minister. One source estimated that in 2012 nearly two million people in Israel participated in Mimouna festivities. Ashkenazi people will join their friend's Mimounas or big celebrations of cities.