Shabbat Service schedule:

**Friday, April 5th**: Services and Dairy Pot-Luck Dinner at 6:30pm

To RSVP:  [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e48acca29a5fd0-shabbat](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e48acca29a5fd0-shabbat)

**Saturday, April 13th**: Traditional Shabbat Service at 9:30am

**Sunday, April 14**: Pesach Kashering of the Kitchen at 10:00am

**Saturday, April 27**: Traditional Shabbat/Yom tov Service + Yizkor at 9:30am

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**Educational Program at Ames Free Library, Easton, MA.**

Rabbi Gouze will be hosting an educational Passover Program at the Ames Free Library in Easton on Tuesday, April 16th at 2:00 for Grades 1-5 about Passover. Participants will have a chance to make a matzah cover. Please register at [https://amesfreelibrary.org/events/2019/03/25/passover-storytime-and-workshop](https://amesfreelibrary.org/events/2019/03/25/passover-storytime-and-workshop)
From the Desk of President Ed Baron

"Come senators, congressmen
Please heed the call
Don’t stand in the doorway
Don’t block up the hall
For he that gets hurt
Will be he who has stalled
There’s a battle outside and it is ragin’
It’ll soon shake your windows and rattle your walls
For the times they are a-changin”

Who would have thought in the early 1960’s that Nobel Prize winner Bob Dylan could have predicted congress in the twenty first century! Now we are at the beginning of the next election cycle and everyone with any name recognition is jumping on the bandwagon. Let’s suggest we make our elected officials responsible to our desires and let them know what we want. Don’t let them frame the election by telling us what they want to do, but we need to tell them what we want. Massachusetts law makers recently announced they passed a law, making bump-stocks illegal. We all cheered at their quick response, but we never asked what the law provides, if you have a bump-stock can you use it?, can you sell it?, or do you have to turn it in? If our senators and congressmen are out soliciting votes are they doing the country’s business in Washington? Should our employees (senators and congressmen) be out waving their resumes looking for a new job. Should we limit national elections to people who are not already employed by us and should be working full time for us?

Just some thoughts from your president, who by the way is not seeking re-election.

Ed
edthepres@templebethemunah.org
From the Desk of Rabbi Andrea Gouze

Of all the holidays, Pesach is the one that is most widely observed by American Jews according to the Pew Study. I think that there are a number of reasons for this. The emotional connection to childhood and family rituals, the ability to come together with family and friends, and the core values that it raises up all resonate with American Jews. The values of freedom, of social justice, of liberation and redemption are all themes that encompass much of what being Jewish is all about and having a holiday and a ceremonial meal that encapsulates these and raises them to a conscious and tangible level helps to connect us to our roots, historically, familial and communally. As Rabbi Rick Jacobs, head of the Union for Reform Judaism once stated, “It is the master story of the Jewish people going from degradation to redemption, and it mirrors our own personal journeys.”

From a Jewish perspective, Pesach is seen as one of the three major holidays, along with Shavuot and Sukkot. It is the holiday that celebrates our journey from oppression to liberation and begins our people’s new relationship with God that then becomes solidified with the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai, commemorated by the holiday of Shavuot. Within it are themes with which we still struggle as a society and personally: slavery, oppression, refugees, immigrants’ and their rights and roles in a society, redemption, etc. These are all refrains that speak to who we are and help to shape the foundation upon which societies are based. By having a seder and a week during which we eat different foods and step outside of our normal rhythms and routines allows for thoughtful reflection and insight into our social values and priorities.

HIAS, which has been in the forefront of immigration advocacy and help for over a hundred years, publishes a Haggadah, which incorporates contemporary narratives and vignettes that relate to the themes present in the Haggadah. Please feel free to click on the link and use any of the short blurbs within your own seder as a way to make it relevant and meaningful. The events that Pesach commemorates might have occurred thousands of years ago but the themes, values and issues are still extant and very real for our world today. Perhaps these issues do not personally impact our lives today as Jews as much as they did when we were Israelites, but they are still affecting millions of individuals throughout the world and therefore, we need to be involved in working toward freeing all from oppression just as we were redeemed from our slavery.

May your Pesach be spiritually liberating.

Link to the HIAS Haggadah and resources: https://www.hias.org/passover

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TBEE Religious School Schedule

Tuesday, April 2: Building the Oven, weather permitting
Sunday, April 7: Baking Matzah, weather permitting
Tuesday, April 9: Regular Program
Sunday, April 14- Sunday, April 21: No School
Tuesday, April 23: Regular Program
Sunday, April 27: Regular Program
Tuesday, April 30: Regular Program

TBEE Religious School kids learn brick making for Pesach with Rabbi Gouze
We are re-posting the Kashrut policy that was passed when we first moved in as a reminder to people as to the protocols that we expect people to follow in observance of kashrut in the building:

Temple Beth Emunah
Kashrut Policy

Kavanah/Our Intent: As a Jewish community, we should always be seeking to increase our sense of “kehilah,” sacred community. One way that we do this is through shared meals.

In recognition that our new building does not have a full kitchen within which to prepare and cook meals and in an effort to create more opportunities for members of the congregation to share meals together, we have determined that all food brought into the synagogue needs to be dairy, or pareve (i.e. pareve meaning neither meat nor dairy; neutral). Pareve also includes fish, as long as it is not shellfish and is a kosher fish (most white fishes are kosher; swordfish is not considered to be kosher for use in the synagogue.)

I. Kosher Symbols: Temple Beth Emunah currently accepts all kosher symbols. (See the other side for a pictorial listing of the symbols). However, if a label has only the plain letter “K”, that does not signify that a product has a recognized hechsher and cannot be used. A hechsher is a symbol of approval stamped on the packaging of a processed product, which certifies that the facility manufacturing the product is under kosher supervision.

A. Which Types of Food require a Kosher Symbol.

Most commercially packaged food like soft cheeses, wine, and baked goods need to show the kosher symbol somewhere on the box.

Unprocessed or raw foods like fruit, vegetables, milk and eggs do not require a kosher symbol on the packaging.

Hard cheeses, like cheddar, Swiss, etc., do not require a kosher symbol. This excludes processed cheeses like Velveeta and American cheese, which do require a kosher symbol.

Drinks other than juice, like soda or seltzer, do not require a kosher symbol.

B. Contact Rabbi Gouze or a member of the kashrut Committee (see Appendix B) with any questions.

II. Kashrut Policy for Temple Beth Emunah

A. Dairy, vegetarian and pareve foods prepared at home are allowed to be brought into the synagogue for all meals as long as the following criteria are met:

Food should be ready to eat without any further preparation.

Any food prepared, or cooked at home needs to follow the above guidelines in terms of having the kosher symbol on the packaging.

If your home is kosher and you keep “kosher by ingredient” (i.e. you go by the list of ingredients on the packaging and do not always look for a kosher symbol), or vegan (no animal products) or vegetarian, use only ingredients with a kosher symbol when preparing food for the community.

B. All food should be brought in new plastic/glass or new disposable containers.

C. Take-out food from restaurants, excepting coffee/drinks and ice-cream, are not permitted to be brought into the synagogue, unless it is from a kosher establishment.

D. Please provide a list with each dish as to whether it is gluten-free / nut-free / dairy-free.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Rabbi Gouze.
The Rabbi’s Lunch & Learn series returns.

Tuesday afternoons from 12:30-1:30
Please bring a dairy lunch; Drinks and Dessert will be provided

Tuesday, April 9th: 12:30: The Israeli Elections
*Special Time: 12:00 – 1:00: Tuesday, April 16th: Learning About Miriam and her Connection to the Pesach Seder
Volunteer! Join Temple Beth Emunah’s Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy (GBJCL) team.

All you need is an hour a week, a warm heart and an eagerness to support students. Your donation of time and talents will help a child at the Arnone School improve their skills in literacy (and STEM), build confidence, and reach their learning goals. GBJCL volunteers work with students and teachers at the Arnone School each week (during the school day- 9am-3pm) from October through June. Anyone can volunteer, no prior experience is necessary. Training and ongoing support is provided by the Greater Boston Jewish Coalition for Literacy (GBJCL), a program of the Jewish Community Relations Council.

If you’d like to join or learn more, please contact Tina @ loseley@verizon.net

The Boston House

On St. Patrick’s Day, everyone in the Boston area is Irish. We didn’t cook the traditional corned beef and cabbage, but a comfort food baked chicken dinner with an Israeli touch. We wished the guests at Boston House a Fonn maith! (bon appetit)

We baked chicken seasoned with za’atar, a middle eastern spice mix of sesame seeds, hyssop, chickpea powder, extra virgin olive oil, salt, coriander, citric acid that is mild in taste, accompanied by a New England medley of vegetables, and rice pilaf. To finish, there were molasses sugar cookies, blueberry sour cream coffee cake, and a chocolate frosted yellow cake.

You can help us feed the guests at Boston House, who come from all over the world, by writing a check in any amount and putting Boston House on the memo line. Thank you for helping us continue this mitzvah.

Sponsor a Kiddush

If you would like to sponsor a Kiddush please complete the following information below.

Name:__________________________________________________________

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I have enclosed an amt of $________

Please tear out this form and return it to the Temple Office at least 2 weeks prior to the date of sponsorship.

Temple Beth Emunah is a collection site for Jewish Family and Childrens’ Services.

We are collecting items for their Family Table program which services families in need within our community.

We have been assigned 15 cans of salmon (5 or 6oz cans are fine) and 15 boxes of raisins. All boxes must be marked kosher.

There will be collection boxes set up at Temple Beth Emunah
THANK YOU for the wonderful meal you provided to the guests at The Boston House

Thank you!

Thank you for the delicious meal!

Thank you for a great dinner!

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Saturday, April 6th 2019
8:00 pm
Temple Beth Emunah

Join Your Synagogue community for a night of fun, ridiculous singing and laughter as we come together for

Karaoke

B.Y.O.B. /// $5.00/per person

No singing experience required, no musical talent is necessary, an ability to hold a tune is not essential!
YAHZEIT FUND:
In Memory of:
Benyamin Clayman
  Maxine Bloom

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In Memory of:
Adele McDonnell
  Stacey Jacobs

Refuah Shlemah:
Howard Shore
  Rena Hurwitz

Mazel Tov to:
Lily Edmonds on becoming
a Bat Mitzvah
  Reva & Alan Castaline

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The Boston House (Ronald McDonald House)
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The Temple thanks you for your support
Nedorim donation – $5.00
Minyan Circle Donation - $10.00
Chai Circle Donation - $18.00
Silver Circle Donation - $25.00
Special Gifts Donation - $50.00+

Please help us expedite matters by making all requests in writing, with complete names and addresses, including zip codes.

Yom HaShoah Service

Please join us along with the other congregations from the South Area

Wednesday May 1st 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Temple Sinai
25 Canton Street, Sharon, MA

Maariv will be davened after the event around 8:30 pm
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