



High Holiday Honors Information

Friends ,

Following a longstanding local tradition, we again offer High Holiday Honors for purchase this year. While this year will look much different than past years, as far as services are concerned, we still want to give everyone the opportunity to purchase aliyot as we do every year. Please consider honoring a friend, family member, or even yourself with one of these highly sought after opportunities!

The honors will all be 'virtual' as we must limit contact and closeness on the bimah, nevertheless, you will still get the honor associated with the Aliyah. We will do a collective misheberach at the end of Torah service to offer a prayer for the well-being of all those that gave and received these honors. Whether or not you plan on attending services in person this year, please consider purchasing an honor for yourself or someone you care about, especially this year. Dor Tikvah relies on the generosity of our members during the High Holidays as a way to meet our financial obligations every year... even this year during this pandemic.

Below is a list of the available honors. Each brings its own unique blessings, as well as the general blessing that comes from supporting the shul and, particularly, contributing during this special season of G-d's kindness.

Simchat Torah Honors are available as well!!

As many of our members travel during the High Holidays or cannot otherwise make it to the auction on Simchat Torah (and we are not certain that we can have an auction this year), we have decided to offer those honors in advance, as is our tradition for Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. We will still plan to have a short auction on Simchat Torah eve as in years past (Gd willing) but just for those honors that do not pre-sell. We are endeavoring to make the evening move more quickly without taking away the opportunity to purchase aliyot.

We hope -- as is our usual tradition -- that all men will receive an aliyah to the Torah on Simchat Torah. However, it is a special honor to have one of the named honors of the day. The following four are particularly desirable and worthy of special note:

Chatan Torah

This is the final aliyah of the Torah, concluding its annual cycle. The honoree is called up by a unique page-long blessing recited ONLY for this occasion. It describes the recipient in glowing terms and promises many different blessings, particularly promising to strengthen the recipient's Torah learning throughout the upcoming year.

Chatan Bereshit

This is the first aliyah of the new Torah cycle, for which we read the story of the world's creation. The honoree is called up by this unique page-long blessing recited ONLY for this occasion. It also describes the recipient in glowing terms and promises many different blessings, particularly material success during the upcoming year.

Kol Ha'nearim

All young children are included with the adults and welcomed to their own Aliyah on Simchat Torah. This honor is for the one who shepherds the children to the Torah and leads them in the blessings. He is introducing them to the Torah and teaching that they are a part of the community. It is said to bring blessings of righteous children and grandchildren.

****NEW** Peticha (opening the ark) for Tefillat Geshem on Shmini Atzeret**

One of the most sought after honors this season actually takes place the day before, on Shmini Atzeret, when our chazan offers the special prayer for rain during the repetition of the mussaf amidah. This prayer is not only for literal rain, but also, for God to send us material blessings during the upcoming year, as we contemplate leaving the holiday season and making our way through the months ahead. Opening the ark -- opening the gates to Torah -- is said to merit particular material blessings on this person and his family who is honored to do so. (Again, this is also subject to our Safe Services protocols.)

If you are interested in one of the honors, please contact me at president@DorTikvah.org.

K'tivah v'chatimah tovah -- may you be inscribed and sealed for a good year,

-David Rosenberg

Rosh Hashanah/Yom Kippur DAY Honors	Suggested Minimum	RH Day 1	RH Day 2	Yom Kippur
Hotza'ah - Take Out Torahs	\$72			
Kohen Aliyah	\$136			
Levi Aliyah	\$136			
Aliyah Shlishi	\$136			
Aliyah Revi'i	\$136			
Aliyah Chamishi	\$136			
Aliyah Shishi	\$136		N/A	
Aliyah Shevi'i	\$136		N/A	N/A
Maftir Aliyah (and Haftarah)	\$275			
Hagbah (1st Torah)	\$136			
G'lilah (1st Torah)	\$136			
Hagbah (2nd Torah)	\$136			
G'lilah (2nd Torah)	\$136			
Hach'nasa - Return Torahs	\$72			
Kol Nidre Honors				
Open Ark for Kol Nidre	\$180	N/A	N/A	
Hold Torah 1 for Kol Nidre	\$136	N/A	N/A	
Hold Torah 2 for Kol Nidre	\$136	N/A	N/A	
Hold Torah 3 for Kol Nidre	\$136	N/A	N/A	
Yom Kippur Afternoon				
Hotza'ah - Take Out Torahs	\$72	N/A	N/A	
Kohen Aliyah	\$136	N/A	N/A	
Levi Aliyah	\$136	N/A	N/A	
Maftir Yonah	\$275	N/A	N/A	
Hach'nasa - Return Torahs	\$72	N/A	N/A	
Open Ark for Neilah	\$275	N/A	N/A	
Shmini Atzeret	Suggested Minimum	Morning Honors		
Ark Opening - Tefillat Geshem	\$360			
Simchat Torah - Evening	Suggested Minimum	Evening Honors		
Ata Hareita - PM	\$613			
Ark Opening - PM	\$118			
Kohen Aliyah - PM	\$118			

Levi Aliyah - PM	\$118		
Aliyah 3 - PM	\$118		
Hagbah (Lift Torah) - PM	\$54		
G'lilah (Tie Torah) - PM	\$54		
Simchat Torah - Morning	Suggested Minimum	Morning Honors	
Ata Hareita - AM	\$613		
Ark Opening - AM	\$118		
Kohen Aliyah - AM	\$118		
Levi Aliyah 2 - AM	\$118		
Aliyah 3 - AM	\$118		
Aliyah 4 - AM	\$72		
Aliyah 5 - AM	\$72		
Kol Ha'Nearim (Children)	\$360		
Chatan Torah (Finish Torah)	\$360		
Hagbah - Lift First Torah	\$54		
G'lilah - Tie First Torah	\$54		
Chatan Breishit (Start Torah)	\$360		
Hagbah - Lift Second Torah	\$54		
G'lilah - Tie Second Torah	\$54		
Maftir/Haftorah	\$360		
Hagbah - Lift Third Torah	\$54		
G'lilah - Tie Third Torah	\$54		