Bar Mitzvah Honors List

For Shabbat Morning

Honor	Name	Relationship to Bar
	(For Aliya's Only; Hebrew Name & fathers name)	Mitzvah Boy
Opening The Ark		
Aliya #1		
Aliya #2		
Aliya #3		
Aliya #4		
Aliya #5		
Aliya #6		
Aliya #7		
Raising The Torah		
Wrapping The Torah		
Closing The Ark		
Prayer for peace		
Prayer for the Cong.		
Prayer for Israel		
Prayer for country		
Bar Mitzvah Prayer		

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Honor	Description	Appropriate person for this honor
Opening The Ark	Opening the ark, handing the Torah or Torah's to the Rabbi or the Bar Mitzvah boy and placing the crown on the Torah	A Jewish male (natural mother must be born Jewish) over the age of 13, should not have a weak arm, back or leg. Can be more then one person.
Aliya #1	Being called to the Torah. Will need to read a Hebrew blessing before and after the torah is read. A transliterated English version is available.	A Jewish male (natural mother must be born Jewish) over the age of 13 and a Cohen. If family does not have a Cohen in the family or guests, then if there is a Cohen in the Synagogue he will get it or it will be given to the Levi. If there is no Cohen or Levi (which is highly unlikely) it can be given to an Israelite (all Jews who are not a Cohen or Levi).
Aliya #2	Same as above	A Jewish male (natural mother must be born Jewish) over the age of 13 and a Levi. If family does not have a Levi in the family or guests, then if there is a Cohen in the Synagogue he will get it or it will be given to a Levi. If a Levi received the first Aliyah, then this will be given it can be given to an Israelite (all Jews who are not a Cohen or Levi).
Aliya's #3 - #7	Same as above	A Jewish male (natural mother must be born Jewish) over the age of 13 and <u>not</u> a Cohen or Levi. Immediate family members <u>cannot</u> have Aliya's one after the other.
Raising The Torah	Lifting the Torah while it is open showing 3 columns and showing it to the crowd, placing it back on the table, rolling it together and then raising it again and sitting down for the wrapping.	A Jewish male (natural mother must be born Jewish) over the age of 13, should not have a weak arm, back or leg.
Wrapping The Torah	Putting on the belt for the Torah, the mantel and the crown.	A Jewish male (natural mother must be born Jewish) need not be over 13, if under should be accompanied by an adult. Can be more then one person.
Closing The Ark	Opening the ark, placing the Torah back in the Ark, placing the crown back under the Ark.	A Jewish male (natural mother must be born Jewish) over the age of 13, should not have a weak arm, back or leg. Can be more then one person.
Prayers for peace, Cong., Israel, Country	Special prayers in English for peace, the congregation, Israel and our country, recited at the conclusion of the service.	Man, woman, or child, Jewish or non-Jewish. Can be more then one person.
Bar Mitzvah Prayer	A special prayer from the parents and grand parents to the Bar Mitzvah boy.	Parents and/or grandparents.