

CELEBRATING WITH THE DC MINYAN

As DC Minyan members experience life cycle events, they often like to celebrate with the community. Below is a list of ways that DC Minyan can be involved in your life cycle event. If you would like to suggest additions to this list, please email us at lifecycle@dcminyan.org.

Announcing a Simcha

If you would like to announce the simcha of a DC Minyan member (including your own simcha!) in the weekly DC Minyan announcements, please email the Steering Committee at sc@dcminyan.org.

Sponsoring Kiddush

If you would like to sponsor kiddush in honor of a special event (such as an aufruf, birthday, anniversary, or professional achievement), email the Kiddush Coordinator at kiddush@dcminyan.org.

Having an Aliyah

If you would like to have an aliyah in honor of a special event, email the Gabbai Committee at gabbaim@dcminyan.org.

Bentching Gomel (a prayer said after surviving a dangerous situation, including childbirth)

On a week that the Minyan meets on Shabbat morning, if you know by Thursday afternoon that you would like to bentsh gomel, email the Gabbai Committee at gabbaim@dcminyan.org. If you don't know by Thursday, please tell one of the gabbais in synagogue on Shabbat morning. The gabbais can provide transliteration and/or assist you in saying the prayer.

Having an Aufruf

If you would like to celebrate your upcoming wedding with an aufruf at the DC Minyan, please email the Gabbai Committee at gabbaim@dcminyan.org to discuss when you would like to have it and what you would like it to include. At the very least, the aufruf can include an aliyah and a special blessing (misheberach) for the bride and groom, but you and/or your relatives and friends may also want to read torah, read haftarah, have an aliyah, and/or lead services, and the Gabbai Committee will help you to arrange all of that. If you (or a friend or relative) would like to give a dvar torah or a dvar tfillah in honor of your aufruf, email the Dvar Torah Coordinator at dvar Torah@dcminyan.org or the Dvar Tfillah Coordinator at dvar tfillah@dcminyan.org. And if you would like to sponsor kiddush in honor of your aufruf, please email the Kiddush Coordinator at kiddush@dcminyan.org.

Naming/Blessing a New Baby and Parents

If you would like to name a new baby at DC Minyan, email the Gabbai Committee at gabbaim@dcminyan.org. You can also request to have a special blessing (misheberach) for the new parents, without naming the baby in synagogue.

Bar/Bat Mitzvahs

If you are interested in having a Bar or Bat Mitzvah at DC Minyan, email the Steering Committee at sc@dcminyan.org.