

THE RAINBOW OF PROMISE

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"We will now start "THE RAINBOW OF PROMISE" Installation ceremony as I light the Candle of Continuity."

(Narrator will light the large "Candle of Continuity" which is in the center of the table)

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"The rainbow is a sign of love, a symbol of hope and a token of promise. As you go forth into another year of TOPS work, may you, as officers, not forget your color of the rainbow and the symbols they stand for."

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"(New Leader's name)_, as leader of this chapter, will you please come forward? Your chapter has elected you to the privileged position of leading it. As such, you are a builder, a teacher, an example and a counselor. You will avail yourself to every opportunity to learn more about TOPS. It is a major responsibility that you see your chapter grow. You will lead your chapter to love TOPS and what it stands for. As a wise leader, you will recognize the need for help of others. Remember you can love them into cheerful cooperation. You will recognize each person as an individual. You should lead your chapter to cooperate with your Coordinator and TOPS Club, Inc."

"_(New Leader)___ do you accept the responsibility of this office?" ___(New Leder)_ " I do" " Your color is BLUE, symbol of loyalty which you should give your chapter and TOPS Club,Inc. I hereby install you as leader of TOPS chapter. Please light your candle from the CANDLE OF CONTINUITY as a symbol of continuing loyalty and service."
(New Leader lights her blue candle from the CANDLE OF CONTINUITY and stands behind table with candle lit.

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"Co-leader' name , as co-leader, will you please come forward?"

"You will assist (leader's name), help direct the chapter when_____ is absent, and help her welcome new members and explain TOPS to them. You will work in close harmony with the rules & regulations of TOPS. You can love the chapter into cooperation." "Co-leader's name , do you accept responsibilities of this office?"

(Co-leader) "I DO."

"Your color is RED, a symbol of love. I hereby install you as co-leader of this chapter. Please light your candle from the CANDLE OF CONTINUITY as a symbol of continuing loyalty and service."

(Co-leader lights her red candle from the "Candle of Con." & stands next to Leader)

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"(Secretary's name), our secretary, will you please come forward?" "You will keep accurate minutes of each meeting and read the past week's minutes at each meeting, participate in roll call, put all contest rules into the minutes, be familiar with the bylaws of the chapter & TOPS Club, Inc. so you may inform new members, and read chapter correspondence at meetings if requested."

"(Secretary's name) do you accept the responsibilities of this office?" Secretary " I do"
"Your color appropriate for your office is YELLOW symbolizing sincerity." "I hereby install you as secretary of our chapter of TOPS Club,Inc. Please light your candle from the "Candle of Continuity" as a symbol of continuing loyalty & service"
(Secretary lights yellow candle from the Candle of Continuity and stands next to co-leader)

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"(Treasurer's name), our treasurer, will you please come forward?"

"The treasurer shall have charge of all receipts and disbursements. You will keep (Leader's name) and (Co-leader's name) informed and up to date by giving a complete report at least once a month. You will keep account of all contests, chapter affairs and contests that involve money matters. You will see that members dues and chapter maintenance dues are paid up to date."

"(Treasurer's name) do you accept the responsibilities of this office?"

(Treasurer) " I DO"

"Your color is white, a symbol of purity and joy in a job well done. I hereby install you as treasurer of our chapter of TOPS Club, Inc. Please light your candle from the "Candle of Continuity" as a symbol of continuing loyalty & service" .

(Treasurer lights her white candle and stands next to secretary)

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"(Ass't treasurer's name), our assistant treasurer will you please come forward?"

"(Ass't treasurer), as our assistant treasurer, it will be your responsibility to assist (Treasurer's name) at each meeting and take over her responsibility in her absence"

"(Ass't treasurer) do you accept the responsibilities of this office?"

(Ass't treasurer)" I DO"

"You share the color WHITE, a symbol of purity & joy. I hereby install you as the assistant treasurer of our chapter. Please light your white candle from the Candle of Continuity as a symbol of continued loyalty & service" (Ass't treasurer) lights her candle and stands next to Bev)

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"(Ass't co-leade's name), our assistant co-leader will you please come forward?"

"(Ass't co-leader) you are the jack of all trades. You will assist leader, co-leader and whoever is in need.. You will have the honor of crowning the losers."

"(Ass't co-leader) do you accept the responsibilities of this office?"

Ass't co-leader "I DO"

"Your color is orchid, a combination of red and blue, a combination of loyalty and love. Please light your candle from the "Candle of Continuity" as a symbol of continuing loyalty and service."

(Ass't co-leader) lights her candle and stands next to Elaine)

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"Last, but by no means least:

(Wt. recorder's name) our weight recorder and (Ass't Wt. recorder's name) our assistant weight recorder will you please come forward? "

"Your office is most important. You must keep an accurate record of all weights; give a report at each meeting of losses and gains; keep record of weights for contests; and see to it that weight charts are completed correctly and sent to the coordinator at the end of the year. Since you have contact with each member as they weigh in, you can praise the losers and give words of encouragement to the gainers."

"(Wt. recorder) and (Ass't wt. recorder) do you accept the responsibilities of this office?"
Wt. recorder & Ass't.Wt. Recorder "WE DO"

" A rainbow is most beautiful when it has a dark backdrop. Only a deep color will bring out the sparkling brilliance and beauty of the colors of the rainbow. Sometimes it is through the darkness of our sorrows and trials that we are drawn together. So Black is the color for our weight recorder and assistant wt. recorder. It represents also the pen and ink of your office. I hereby install you as weight recorder and assistant wt. recorder of our chapter ."

"Please light your candles from the Candle of Continuity as a symbol of continuing loyalty and service."

(Both light their black candles and stand with officers.)

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(Name of each officer) you have lit

the Candles of Continuity and have been duly installed as officers of TOPS

chapter # _____ . Please repeat with us the following pledge:

I pledge myself as an officer of TOPS Chapter # _____ to perform responsibly the duties of my office, be true to TOPS, obey all TOPS rules and help myself and my fellow members toward our common goal. I will work in unity and common concern with my fellow officers and members to encourage good will in this chapter and advance its worthy work."

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"Will the members of this chapter now stand?"

Members stand

"We are happy to present to you your new officers. They need your complete understanding and cooperation during the year ahead and have a right to expect your assistance in the work they are undertaking. Do you promise to give them understanding, cooperation and assistance?"

Members say " WE DO"

Candles are blown out & ceremony is over