

THE WIZARD OF TOPS

I wrote this adaptation of the Wizard of TOPS a few years back. Everyone that was in it and that watched it got a kick out of it. I know there's been many variations on this idea..but just thought I'd send mine in case...

Hope you like it, it's a little corny but that's why we have so much fun in TOPS.

Here goes:

NARRATOR: (Intro.)

This is a short skit composed of four scenes. It is based on the well-known story "The Wizard of Oz" but has been changed somewhat to demonstrate what TOPS is all about, and perhaps, "to protect the innocent..."

To introduce our story - A horrible disaster has befallen (where your chapter meets). A huge twister has wreaked havoc over the entire area and has carried off our heroine, Dorothy, an Alumni KOPS and her entire house, far, far away to the Land of TOPS.

SCENE I

NARRATOR: Our opening scene has Dorothy walking along the Yellow Brick Road, all alone... After her house had finally landed, she had met a group of little people called the Munchies. (Have a few people standing around representing the Munchies muttering away.) They had advised her that she must go and see the wonderful and all-powerful Wizard of TOPS if she ever wanted to see her beloved home again. The Munchies even provided Dorothy with a bag full of food and beverages to tide her over on her long journey that lay ahead. She starts off on the Yellow Brick Road to TOPS.

Suddenly, (in a puff of smoke), the infamous Wicked Witch of Gluttony confronts Dorothy. (Note: The Wicked Witch is extremely overweight (might need some padding) and is dressed in typical witch fashion, clutching a broomstick.)

WICKED WITCH: So, here you are my pretty! I've heard all about you Dorothy from my little Munchie friends! They tell me that you're off to see the Wizard of TOPS, hoping that he will be able to help you to get back home. Well...You're wrong! TOPS can't do anything for skinny people like you or for fat people either for that matter.

Everybody loves food too much to ever stay on any stupid diet.

DOROTHY: Oh no. You're wrong. I belong to TOPS back home. It's a great weight loss group where people help each other all the time. I'm a KOPS now, but I used to be overweight. I lost my weight with the help of all my TOPS pals. That's how I know that the Wizard of TOPS can help me. TOPS is always there to help when you really need it.

WITCH: But then why do you still belong to TOPS? You're skinny now --- too skinny if you ask me. What you really need is to get some meat on you!

DOROTHY: I still belong to TOPS because I want to stay like this for

the rest of my life and to be an example to others of what TOPS can do.
I don't ever want to be fat again!

WITCH: Don't sass me little girl! You just want to embarrass people like me, don't you?

DOROTHY: Oh no, I would never do that! As a matter of fact, why don't you come with me to see the Wizard of TOPS? I'm sure that with TOPS help, you could lose your weight too. It's never too late, you know.

WITCH: HA! HA! Don't be silly! I'm the Wicked Witch of Gluttony and I would NEVER want to be all skin and bones like you! I'll see you later, my pretty. You'll never make it to see the Wizard of TOPS, if I can help it!

DOROTHY: But I've just got to see him...I just want to go home..(Sob)

WITCH: Ha! Ha! Over my dead body....(and the witch rides off on her broomstick)

END OF SCENE I

SCENE II

NARRATOR: Still determined on her journey to see the Wizard of TOPS, Dorothy has befriended along the way an odd group of three - a scarecrow, a tin man and a lion. All three are obviously overweight.

DOROTHY: All of you should come with me to see the Wizard of TOPS. I know you all must be unhappy with the way you are with your excess pounds and would really like to lose that extra weight. TOPS is really great! You'll get lots of support from your TOPS pals and in no time at all you will lose those pounds if you really try and be wonderfully happy with the new you. Happy with the way you look and happy with the way you feel. I lost my weight with TOPS and I've never been happier in my life! My only problem now is that I just want to go home and I think the Wizard of TOPS is the only one who can help me.

SCARECROW, TIN MAN, LION (together):

Okay Dorothy, let's go for it!

(All together, arm in arm, they proceed off down the Yellow Brick Road singing...)

ALL: We're off to see the Wizard, the Wonderful Wizard of TOPS. If ever a Wonderful Wiz there was, the Wizard of TOPS is one because, because, because - because of the wonderful things he does. We're off to see the Wizard, the Wonderful Wizard of TOPS....

END OF SCENE II

SCENE III

NARRATOR: The group is now resting at the roadside, munching on some healthy bran muffins and diet pop tha the Munchies had provided to Dorothy in the bag. Suddenly the Wicked Witch of Gluttony appears once more. (in a puff of smoke, of course)

WITCH: So, we meet again my pretty! I see you've picked yourself up some fat friends too! Do you really believe that the Wizard of TOPS can help these pathetic fat fools? They'll never lose weight....(She hurries offstage and returns with a trolley cart loaded down with all

kinds of fattening foods.)

Well here you go.....eat up everyone....ENJOY!!!

DOROTHY: (to her 3 friends) No, No...STOP! Don't you see what you're doing! You're only hurting yourselves. Come on - come with me NOW!

We'll go and see the Wizard. He'll help you to realize what she's doing.... You want to learn to eat the proper foods, with nutrition.

SCARECROW: But this stuff looks so GOOD!!!

TIN MAN: Yeah, how can we POSSIBLY resist?

LION: But Dorothy, EVERYTHING here is my FAVOURITE!!

DOROTHY: Oh, but yes you can resist. If you just stop and think for a minute, you'll realize that you don't really need it. I won't deny that all of that stuff is great tasting, but what about all those extra pounds that you will put on, even before you've even tried to lose... Here, each of you. Have a muffin and a diet pop to tide you over. They'll fill you up so we can be on our way.

WITCH: Too bad, my pretty! I WIN!! They're too weak. They're just going to stay the way they are - FAT - for the rest of their lives....Just like me!

DOROTHY: (to her 3 friends once more) Please, if you care about yourselves at all. Stop! Don't do it.

(Dorothy then picks up a can of diet pop, shakes it furiously, turns and sprays it all over the Wicked Witch.)

WICKED WITCH: OH NO...OH NO...DIET POP..!! Diet pop is the only thing that can destroy me...How could you? (she continues to moan and groan as she crumples to the ground and breathes her last.)

SCARECROW: WOW DOROTHY! You've done it? You've saved everyone! You've finally gotten rid of the Wicked Witch of Gluttony. Now everyone can try and lose weight without fear of her temptations!

TIN MAN: Yeah, they're will be lots of people glad to see her gone!

LION: I just can't believe it. No more Wicked Witch of Gluttony to tempt us every day with all those fattening foods.

DOROTHY: Come now...we'll go and see the Wizard. With his support and your other pals, you will be successful in no time at all! And I'll be able to go home!

END OF SCENE III

SCENE IV

NARRATOR: Dorothy and her 3 friends make it successfully to see the Wizard of TOPS. There, they all join a TOPS Chapter. Time passes....so let's see what has happened....

DOROTHY: Mr. Wizard, as you can see all my friends are truly happy now. They've lost their weight and are now KOPS just like me! But what about my problem? Won't I ever get to go home?

WIZARD: Dorothy, you can go home anytime you want to. Because you lost your weight and are now successfully keeping it off, you have accomplished probably the most difficult thing you'll ever have to do in your life. If you put your mind to it, you can do just about

anything you want to. So Dorothy, don't you see? All you have to do to go home is simply just close your eyes and repeat "There's no place like home...There's no place like home....There's no place like home..."

SCARECROW: Wait Dorothy...before you go. We all just want to thank you for bringing us to see the Wizard and getting us to join TOPS. Without TOPS, we know we would never have had the brains to lose our weight. (points to his head)

TIN MAN: Yes Dorothy, thanks from the bottom of my heart! (points to his heart.) Could never have done it without this group.

LION: Yeah, Dorothy. That goes the same for me. I just didn't have enough courage to lose my weight all by myself. But with you and all my friends, I did it. We love you and want to thank you so much...I sure wish you didn't have to go....(sobs)

DOROTHY: Oh, you're all very welcome. I'll miss you all, each and every one of you. (she hugs each and every one of them.) But now I have to go. I'm homesick! (she closes her eyes and repeats...) "There's no place like home....there's no place like home...there's no place like home...."

END OF SCENE IV

NARRATOR: So, to wrap up the story, when Dorothy opened up her eyes again, she found herself back at home. Had she just been dreaming?

No...not really..because TOPS really can help to make your dreams come true....

THE END.....BUT ALSO THE BEGINNING.....