

# KOPS Graduation

For our last KOPS graduation we did a somewhat "fun" program. We gathered up items in numbers equal to the amount of pounds that the graduate lost to goal. For example: 45 lifesavers/45 sticks of gum/45 paper clips/45 votive candles/45 nickles/45 pennies etc.

At the program, we presented the items (the lifesavers and paperclips were made into necklaces; the gum was hung from a straw hat; the coins were glued to a picture of a large pot (pot of gold).

We told her that she was our "lifesaver" (and gave her the lifesaver necklace); that she "held our group together" (the paperclips); that she "showed us how to "stick to it" (the gum); that she was the "shining light that lit our way" (the candles); and that she had finally received her award (the pot of gold). We then presented her with graduation charms, Tpsi trophy, corsage and a basket filled with 45 pounds of food (10 pounds of potatoes/5 pounds of apples/1 pound boxes of macaroni, etc.)