

# THE UNITING OF TOPS TO KOPS

## (KOPS RECOGNITION PROGRAM)

(Invite all KOPS to come forward to a table dressed with a white tablecloth, the candle of unity, 1 candle for each KOPS, and flowers.)

Thursday (or say your Meeting Day) will start a new month. The month is June, frequently referred to as "wedding" month. Can KOPS be similar to the commitment to marriage?

Brides begin as young women striving for a new exciting life. KOPS begin as TOPS striving for a renewed, healthy and exciting life.

Brides come with a hope chest, filled with treasures to make life easier and complete. KOPS bring their heads filled with experience learned in TOPS, to make life easier and more complete.

Brides accept in their marriage their in-laws. More persons to help show them the way and give support. KOPS accept their guests, TOPS chapter members. More persons to help show them the way, encourage them and give support.

Brides may start out with a new cookbook, Martha Stewart living, and books on how to keep their relationships with their partner alive and on the right track. KOPS come prepared with TOPS news, The Choice is Yours and the know-how to keep their relationship with their KOPS status on the right track.

Brides may have to go back to mama occasionally for help and encouragement, that is a natural happening. KOPS may have to go back to their KOPS pals, chapter friends, KOPS honor society, Area Captain or Coordinator, for help and encouragement. Those are natural happenings.

Brides have anniversaries each year. KOPS have anniversaries each year.

Brides have babies. Most KOPS would rather not.

Brides say their vows, usually only once. KOPS say their pledge weekly.

The bride and groom light a candle of unity. Will each of you please light your candle from the candle of Continuity?

KOPS members , please listen to the following vows and after they are complete, if you agree with them, will you please say "I do"

Do you (Name all KOPS) take your KOPS commitment to be your partner in life. To have and to hold from your graduation forward. For better, for worse, (there will be both

times) , for richer, (richer because you won't be spending money on diet books, diet pills, etc.) in sickness (in sickness your correct eating will get you back on the road to heath), and in health , to love and to cherish and encourage, until you are parted by backsliding (Which we hope never occurs). If this is your solemn vow, please respond with "I Do."

If there is anyone here who feels that this marriage should not take place... BITE YOUR TONGUE!

I now pronounce you, KOPS in good standing.

Now please go forward and live your life as KOPS, encouraging others to join you in this wonderful marriage.

(Rather than tossing rice on the KOPS, each was given a bag of long grain brown rice.)