

Investiture and Rededication Ceremony

GORP Ceremony for Girls

This investiture/rededication ceremony is designed for girls in grades 4-12 to take a large part in producing the ceremony. The script is on the back side of this sheet. There is a built-in portion for girls to share their ideas for the coming year, and what they hope to achieve. Traditional flag ceremony openings and closings can be found in the "Let's Celebrate" book or by asking your council staff and other volunteers.

Materials Needed:

- Flags for flag ceremony

- 1 Large punch bowl and spoon

- 1 Ladle to serve GORP

- Bowls

- GORP supplies (Amounts are dependent upon number of people attending ceremony.

 - Ceremony and ingredients may need to be adjusted to accommodate food allergies.)

 - M&Ms

 - Popcorn

 - Pretzel Thins

 - Goldfish crackers

 - Marshmallows

 - Candy chips (butterscotch, chocolate, peanut butter, etc)

 - Chex cereal

 - Kix cereal

 - Mixed nuts

 - Raisins

 - Cheerios

Number of Girls Needed:

- Up to 12 girls (more may require ceremony changes)

Ceremony:

- Traditional flag ceremony opening

- GORP Ceremony (see script)

- Girls share ideas for the year

- Traditional flag ceremony closing



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GORP Ceremony Script

Girl #1: Have you ever wondered what goes into making a Girl Scout? Well, this recipe will tell you what we're all about!

Girl #2: Girl Scouts come in all colors, from cities and towns. Every Girl Scout's a sister, no matter what she looks like or how she sounds. I'm starting our mix with these different colored M&Ms.

Girl #3: Some of us are tall, and some of us are small. When we get together, size doesn't matter at all. I'm adding pretzel thins and marshmallows to our mix.

Girl #4: With our words and our actions we show that we care. We try our best to be fair and square. I'm adding Chex cereal to the mix.

Girl #5: Sometimes we act a little "nuts." We love to joke and play. We'd love to put a Girl Scout smile into everyone's day. I've added a whole bunch of nuts.

Girl #6: When we get together, we make circles so round. It's our never ending friendships to which we're bound. I'll add Cheerios to the mix.

Girl #7: When we're planning and working, we just don't stop. We keep ourselves busy, and all around we will pop! I'm adding popcorn.

Girl #8: We respect all God's creatures, if they're big or they're small. The earth is our home, and there's room here for all. So for all God's little creatures, I'm adding goldfish.

Girl #9: It was 1912 when Juliette Low started us off. Like the girls back then, we're all just "chips off the old block." For all of us, I'm adding candy chips.

Girl #10: We get a "kick" out of learning and doing new things, and a "kick" out of helping others and spending time with friends. I'll add Kix cereal.

Girl #11: When we were Daisies and Brownies, we were fresh, new and rare. But now we're Cadettes (or Juniors, Seniors, Ambassadors) and have experience to share. Added together, the number of years our girls have spent in Girl Scouting comes to _____. So, for all the time we've spent, I'm adding raisins.

Girl #12: Now we stir to the left, and we stir to the right. We mix it together with all our might. We welcome our troop to an awesome new year, and we hope that the memories they make they'll always hold dear.

Leader: Now that our recipe is complete, we look upon what we've created. Each of the ingredients went into our recipe separately, just like each girl came to the troop separately. As the ingredients mix to form one dish, our girls mix to form one troop. But even as we look upon our mix, we still see that each ingredient is separate and unique. Our girls each bring their unique talents and characteristics to make our troop what it is today.

Before we share our GORP mix, each of us will share a little about what we hope to accomplish this year...



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