

BECAUSE YOU SAID YES LEADER INVESTITURE CEREMONY

Opening

We open our ceremony tonight by lighting these candles to symbolize the warmth in our hearts for our girls, the understanding we have for the Girl Scout Promise, and the respect we show every day to the Girl Scout Law. (the three candles are lit)

The Girl Scout Promise

Everyone stands and says the Promise

The Girl Scout Law

Please remain standing as the Law is read.

Because you said yes

We will now pause to remember all the reasons why we decided to become Girl Scout Leaders. We will go around the circle with each person reading the next passage on your sheet.

Because you said, "Yes".

.....a young girl will feel the pride of being someone special when she wears her uniform

Because you said, "Yes".

.....a girl can move to a new town and have "instant friendships" with girls she might never have met

Because you said, "Yes".

.....parents will experience that special pride when they listen to their daughter say the Girl Scout Promise

Because you said, "Yes".

.....bright eyes will become a little brighter with excitement as the kindling finally catches on the first campfire

Because you said, "Yes".

.....nervous giggles will emit from tents as girls try to fall asleep on their first night of camp

Because you said, "Yes".

.....voices will be heard as the girls sing loud and strong their favorite Girl Scout songs

Because you said, "Yes".

.....lifelong friendships may be made between the girls in your troop, providing support & love throughout their life.

Because you said, "Yes".

.....curiosity will be sparked and maybe a career chosen because of a girls experiences in Girl Scouting

Because you said, "Yes".

.....you will hear the squeals of laughter as the girls put on their first campfire skits

Because you said, "Yes".

.....strong bodies will be made through sports and adventurous activities

Because you said, "Yes".

.....strong minds will be made because the girls had a safe place to make decisions

Because you said, "Yes".

.....our future leaders will be developed, strong and decisive.

Because you said, "Yes".

.....the community and the world will be cleaner because a girl has learned the importance of caring for her environment

Because you said, "Yes".

.....the community and the world will be richer because a girl has learned to give service to someone less fortunate than herself.

Because you said, "Yes".

.....your girls will develop great confidence in themselves and each other, building strong relationships.

Because you said, "Yes".

.....the world will be a more peaceful place as we all learn to accept and revel in our differences.

Because you said, "Yes".

.....a parent will find a gold trefoil carefully tucked away in a drawer as their daughter packs to leave home for her first adventures as a young adult

Because you said, "Yes".

.....a young women will contact Girl Scouts one day and say "I had so much fun when I was a Girl Scout, I'd like to try being a leader" And the circle will continue.....Because you said Yes

New Leader Welcome

We welcome all the new leaders we have among us tonight with open arms into the sisterhood of Girl Scouting. Here you will never be without good friends and good times. Please step forward to receive your pins. Thank you for saying Yes.

(names of the new leaders are called, pins and shakes)

Experienced Leaders Return

And to all our returning Leaders - Thank goodness you are still here!

We knew at the end of last year that we would be in for another year of laughter and friendship. Let's keep our newest members in our thoughts and make them feel welcome. Let's support each other and our girls throughout the coming year. Please turn to your neighbor and participate in the Girl Scout handshake.

We are so happy you said Yes.

Sing When 'ere You Make a Promise

Joni Brennan

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