

Chains

Today marks a beginning and an ending for _____ club. Time now for the present officers to relinquish their responsibilities. It is my privilege to install the Officers of _____ for the _____ (year) administration of the _____ Federation of Women's Clubs. There is a Vibrant Beauty and a Majestic Rhythm in the continuity of this Chain. (Hold up chain).

There is also a Vibrant Beauty and a Majestic Rhythm in the continuity of this Great Organization.

This Chain (hold up chain) and the _____ Federation of Womens Clubs has similarities for many years Chains have been an object of Unity, Strength and Service.

The _____ Federation is a Volunteer Service Organizations that promotes Unity and Diversity and by working together we do have Strength.

Another important comparison This Chain is no Stronger than it's weakest link and your club is no stronger than it's weakest member.

Yes, Chains are used to provide a service club members, you carry the greatest load in our Federation. Chain of service by participating in projects, attending club meetings and by supporting your elected officers.

If just one link in this chain breaks ... the beauty and rhythm is broken. A broken chain has no strength ... So to be of value or use you must use only a portion of the chain. As a club member... you are an important link in the club chain. If you do not participate...and function ... you break the chain...making it short and weak ... the club then loses it's beauty and rhythm. Symbolically...the officers of the district join together to make a strong chain ... for all the clubs in district _____ to pull strength and leadership from. You have selected the officers before you ... I will install them as your links of strength, unity and service.

As **Parliamentarian** ... your link in the chain will be "Order", and you should see that all club proceedings are governed by Roberts Rules of Order, Revised. Will you accept your link of "Order" in the chain of service to district _____? (Give her a small chain necklace.)

As **Historian** ... your link in the chain will be "Reflection", as you prepare an accurate, up to date history of district _____ each year. Will you accept your link of "Reflection" in the chain of service to District _____? (Give her a small chain necklace.)

As **Treasurer** ...our link in the chain will be "Trust"... you will handle and keep an accurate record of receipts, holdings and disbursements of District _____. Will you accept your link of "Trust" in the chain of service to District _____? (Giver her a small chain necklace.)

As **Recording Secretary** ... your link in the chain will be "Accuracy"... as you keep a correct and current record of the proceedings of all meetings of District _____. Will you accept your link of "Accuracy" in the chain of service to district _____? (give her a small chain necklace.)

As **Second Vice President and Junior Director** ... your link in the chain will be "Liaison"...you will be a special link between district president and the junior clubs. You will work closely with the junior clubs and the President. Will you accept your link of "Liaison" in the chain of service to district _____? (Give her a small chain necklace.)

As **First Vice President** ... your link in the chain will be "Inspiration"...as you support and help the President and President-Elect. You will serve your district as Dean of Chairmen. Will you accept your link of "Inspiration" in the chain of service to district _____? (give her a small chain necklace.)

As **President Elect** ... your link in the chain will be "Orientation". As you serve as the Presidents' understudy, stepping in when needed. You will be the Chairman of the Membership Committee. Will you accept your link of "Orientation" in the chain of service to District _____? (give her a small chain necklace.)

As **President** ... your link in the chain will be "Loving Leadership." This golden chain will bind you to the responsibilities of leading district _____. You will be chained to this group with love for the members who have elected you and are looking to you for Leadership, United, Strength and Service. Will you accept your link of "Loving Leadership" in the chain of service to District _____? (give her a small chain necklace.)

Officers please form a circle and join hands. Officers you form the chain of service for District _____. Each link has an important responsibility. You must strive for strength, service, unity and leadership...as you work together as one...please remember - *Getting together is a beginning—Being together is happiness—Thinking together is unity and working together is success.*

I congratulate you...and declare you the duly installed officers of district _____. As we salute and show our support for the officers of district _____...Will you please rise...I want every person to join hands to form a chain with our officers...and pledge our support to them in their endeavor to direct the district toward goals of service and achievement...

Please...will you repeat after me...

A chain is no stronger than it's weakest link. We pledge our allegiance and support to our newly elected officers...in their undertaking as volunteer service leaders of district _____. Let's bow our heads and repeat our Collect...

Collect

Prayer:

May your chain be strong so that all your efforts will be met with enthusiasm and willingness. May the Lord bless you and keep you and cause his face to shine upon you...and give you peace.