

PLEASE READ AT YOUR NEXT CHAPTER MEETING. THANK YOU, JC

JUDY'S JUNCTION FOR OCTOBER 2011

Happy Fall, Y'all!! We are starting our second year of working together. My first year as your Coordinator has been so enjoyable. I have enjoyed getting acquainted with many of you and look forward to continuing to improve what we do to be the best TOPS members we can be. We must continue to strive to increase membership by holding Open Houses, participating in Health Fairs, advertising the successes of our members in local media, inviting friends and family to attend a free TOPS meeting and by making our meetings as productive and inspiring as they can possibly be by keeping them upbeat, by recognizing our members' successes and rewarding them in a timely manner, and by having a motivating program/therapy each week. TOPS programs will soon all be in everyone's TOPS News. Anyone can do these programs. TOPS does a wonderful job of supplying the information. We just have to share it with our fellow members.

I have enjoyed attending your Fall Rallies. Congratulations to all those who were recognized for their many successes! What an inspiration you are to those who are still working on their own personal goals!

FALL WORKSHOPS: Please make every effort to have your chapter represented at your Fall Workshop put on by your Area Captain. As always, Resume instructions will be covered. Your Area Captain will continue to introduce you to the Leadership Skills training which will be helpful in beefing up your weekly meetings to hold the interest of seasoned members and make them attractive to new members coming in.

MEMBERSHIP FEE CHANGE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2012: The membership fee will change to \$28.00 on January 1, 2012. The January renewals will be mailed from TOPS Headquarters the first week of November. They will have the new rate of \$28.00 printed on them. The member is to pay the new rate even if they are paying in 2011. New members joining before the end of the year will be paying \$26.00. After January 1, 2012, new members will pay the new

membership fee of \$28.00. It is very important that those involved in handling memberships within your chapters are privy to this information, so that there won't be major mix-ups when you submit them to me for processing and submitting to TOPS Headquarters.

MAINTENANCE FEES: Enclosed with this Newsletter you will find two copies of your Maintenance form for 2012 which is due back to me by January 1, 2012. Please fill out both copies and mail one back to me with your chapter check. You may keep the other copy for your chapter records.

November is just around the corner. Let's all make a list of all the things we have to be thankful for as we plan ahead for Thanksgiving Day. I am thankful to be a part of this number one support group, TOPS. How about you?

Til next time,

Judy