

Hatch Patch Creations presents



New Beginnings 2015



Overview: This year the youth will be “Embarking on Service.” For New Beginnings or Girls Camp they will travel to the medieval kingdom of Serv-A-Lot. This is a wonderful land where the Young Women Values are used to help them serve throughout the year. The activity will be full of knights, princesses, court jesters and minstrels. They will have so much fun as they prepare to “Embark to do Service” during 2015. (Get it? They’ll serve a lot during the year.)

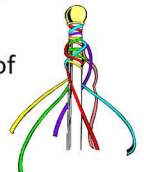
Decorations:

- Use the values and value colors to decorate. You can easily make large banners with poster board and plastic tablecloths. Make sure each value is represented.
- Plastic tablecloths are a great way to create a medieval look. You can simply drape them around the room. I find it more cost effective to cut the plastic in half lengthwise.
- Maypole: This can be a decoration that is used through the whole year. See program for more details.
- More decoration ideas can be found in our “Embark to Serv-A-Lot” packet. It is on sale for \$3 on our website.



Program:

- Assign a 3 minute talk for each Value. Have each girl try to fit service into their talk. If the Value is hard to incorporate service into, simply ask them to share one way they can serve during the upcoming year. Speaking assignment cards can be found in our full packet.
- As each girl speaks on her Value, ask her to tie a coordinating value colored ribbon to the top of the maypole. You can also continue this throughout the year by keeping the pole visible somewhere. When a girl does a kind act of service during the year she can add a ribbon. At Young Women in Excellence at the end of the year it should be full of ribbons of service.
- Halfway through the talks, pause for some medieval entertainment with a court jester, minstrels, etc.
- Finish with introducing the Serv-A-Lot king. This should be a member of the bishopric.



New Beehive Welcome:

- Gather information about each upcoming girl.
- Bring them forward and have the older girls share some fun things about each girl and then have them “Knight” them into Young Womens. Present the new Beehives with some sort of memento like: a handmade sword, armor, or a torch necklace.



Food Ideas:

- At your halfway point where there is entertainment, bring out “Serving girls” in tunics to serve the first course. This can be a simple roll and jam or skewers with cheese and olives.
- Ending the activity with a second course is always a good idea. You could have pies, cakes, cookies, etc.

Our Serv-A-Lot packet has an additional 15 pages of ideas and examples. This and other Free ideas are available on our website: www.hatchpatch.com Also check out my Pinterest page under Jill Revelli