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THE ORDER OF THE RAINBOW FOR GIRLS.

Rainbow Girls give a solemn pledge to do service whenever and wherever the opportunity arises. It is an organization which stresses the giving of one's self. When invited to become a member of the Order of Rainbow for Girls, she is told that "we here enter a life of active service".

The Red ray of color in the Rainbow has always symbolized Love, the greatest living principle of earth. The Orange ray symbolizes the heroic and courageous in Religion and teaches us loyalty to our Church and obedience to the will of our Heavenly Father. The color ray of Yellow represents Nature in all her splendor, God's out of doors. The Green ray symbolizes Immortality, a belief that beyond the grave, we shall meet the loved ones gone before, never to part again. The color ray of Blue symbolizes Fidelity and teaches Loyalty to all mankind and to our God. The Indigo ray, the intensified shade of Blue, symbolizes Patriotism; Love of country, loyalty to our Flag, the emblem of our Nation. Violet, the only healing ray of light, teaches service to man. Help some one today, then true happiness will be ours.

Service is the last lesson of the Bow received by a candidate as she carries the seventh streamer - Violet, the greatest of all healing power - to the Altar of the Bible, which is the great White Light, and places it thereon; which completes the seven colorful Rays, and blended together they form the White Light of Truth. So the seven virtues they symbolize blend together to form true womanhood. These seven beautiful lessons that fill the heart and mind are Love, Religion, Nature, Immortality, Fidelity, Patriotism, and Service. Having received these lessons, each is eager to being Sunshine, Joy and Happiness to others, and to serve humanity with no thought of self. Service is not gauged by the size or importance of an act, but by the satisfaction of happiness we ourselves derive from love and service.

One of the greatest forms of service offered to the girls of the world, was when a beloved Masonic Brother, Reverend W. Mark Sexson of Oklahoma, founder of the Order of Rainbow for Girls, conceived the idea of writing their Ritual, and uniting the girlhood of the world into a medium through which God may fulfill His promise. Eastern Stars, through their sponsorship, have a sacred privilege of service. Brother Sexson was chosen in 1941 for induction into the Hall of Fame of the Oklahoma Memorial Association.

There are now more than 2000 members of the Order, and all are consecrated to the task of serving their country with Courage, Honesty, Industriousness, Loyalty, Reliability and Faith. Women have always played an important part in the preservation of Democracy, and girls who have their ideals forged in an Assembly of Rainbow Girls, have the character and heritage needed at this time.

"F" is for Forever doing things right;

Going into activities with lots of the 'old fight'.

"A" is for Always she will be true,

Admiring the Rainbow, loving each hue.

"I" is for the Inspiration she gives to her Chapter,

Clear, sparkling eyes bubbling over with laughter.

"T" for the Thoughtfulness she has for each friend,

Doing her work well, 'sticking fast' to the end.

"H" is for a Heart of pure American gold,

And for an all-American girl FAITH is the perfect mold.

The above verse was given during the Michigan Grand Chapter, 1940.