Installation of new Club President

Have a nice big candle, which clubs should have, and is used on special occasions and ask the oldest member in the club to light it.

There should be a short silence.

The outgoing President should Introduce the new President and include some information on her past Soroptimist experience and positions held (there may be Soroptimists present who do not know her that well).

The outgoing President should then ask the new President to join her near the candle, which must remain visible, and address her directly with the following words:

*It is my privilege as President of Soroptimist International (Club Name) to welcome you as the new President of Soroptimist International (Club Name) (present her with the insignia) and turn to face the Club*

*I encourage all members of the club to support and co-operate with the President and each other with renewed enthusiasm and energy to actively promote Soroptimist goals within the club, the organization as a whole and the community at large.*

*I charge you to:*

*Maintain high ethical standards*
*Work for human rights and the status of women*
*Encourage friendship between Soroptimists of all countries*
*Give service to the community and*
*Promote international understanding and friendship.*

The new President will then thank the outgoing President and perhaps highlight some of the highs of her term of office.

She will then make a short speech outlining her vision for the coming year.