

PRESIDENT: This candle represents the light of family and consumer sciences education as it radiates throughout the world. It is the light of our ideals, our purposes—for we know, as FCCLA members, we have an opportunity to strengthen individual, family, and community life. This candle symbolizes our first purpose: to provide opportunities for personal development and preparation for adult life.

OFFICER: This candle symbolizes our second purpose: to strengthen the function of the family as a basic unit of society.

OFFICER: This candle symbolizes our third purpose: to encourage democracy through cooperative action in the home and community.

OFFICER: This candle symbolizes our fourth purpose: to encourage individual and group involvement in helping achieve global cooperation and harmony.

OFFICER: This candle symbolizes our fifth purpose: to promote greater understanding between youth and adults.

OFFICER: This candle symbolizes our sixth purpose: to provide opportunities for making decisions and assuming responsibilities.

OFFICER: This candle symbolizes our seventh purpose: to prepare for the multiple roles of men and women in today's society.

OFFICER: This candle symbolizes our eighth purpose: to promote family and consumer sciences and related occupations.

PRESIDENT: At this time we would like to focus our attention on leadership. Good leaders are special people; they view the situation, recognize the need, and encourage the necessary action. They understand the importance of teamwork and cooperation and the fulfillment of responsibilities.

FIRST VICE PRES.: Each year symbolizes one more step in the process of individual growth. The installation of newly elected offices is both a joyful and solemn occasion. We congratulate them and look forward to their new vision.

PRESIDENT: As incoming officers, the highest honors of the organization are being bestowed on you. Our organization has faith and confidence in your ability to lead the organization forward. The pledge of your office signifies your willingness to do this. Please repeat after me.

I will, to the best of my ability...

Faithfully perform all the duties...

Of the office to which I have been elected.

You have heard the pledge of your officers. It is important that you support them in the performance of their duties.

President _____, the office of president is one of great responsibility. You will want to be firm, impartial, considerate, and a friend to all members. As this organization's incoming president, are you familiar with your duties?

NEW PRESIDENT: Yes, I am.

PRESIDENT: As outgoing officers we ask you to remember that real leadership strength comes through cooperative efforts. We are confident the organization will continue to grow under the leadership these new offices will provide. By giving you this gavel, I now relinquish the presidency of the Iowa Association of the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

NEW PRESIDENT: My hope is that this coming year will bring us closer to the realization of our creed in both thought and action. Will everyone please rise for the closing ceremony? Members, we are challenged to accept the responsibility of making decisions that will affect our lives today and the world tomorrow. Let us repeat our creed.

MEMBERS: We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope. For we have the clear consciousness of seeking old and precious values. For we are the builders of homes. Homes for America's future. Homes where living will be expression of everything that is good and fair. Homes where truth and love and security and faith will be realities, not dreams. We are the Family, Career and Community Leaders of America. We face the future with warm courage and high hope.