WESTERN THEME

CLUB OFFICER INSTALLATION CEREMONY

Props for Installation:
- Sheriff’s Badge
- Nine (9) Deputy’s Badge (may be the same thing as sheriff’s badge but personalized for each office)

SPEAKER 1: As one 4-H year comes to a close and we prepare to embark on a new year, we must prepare ourselves to meet the challenges of the future. We must work together to conquer this rough and rugged land, using our skills, instincts, and intelligence to stake claim and live by the mission 4-H which is developing leadership, citizenship and life skills.

4-H has helped us all to become better leaders. We have ensured success through the election of outstanding individuals to lead our posse for the coming year. These 4-H’ers will form a team of Sheriff and Deputies that will provide leadership for our club, protect out traditions and work hard to cultivate excellence in the 4-H program.

SPEAKER 2: The _________ Club Officers are setting out on an adventure that will require hard work and dedication. On their journey, they will be faced with tough challenges and rewards. This experience will change their lives. Brave people face challenges, not in the absence of fear, but in the conquest of it! As long as they maintain their strong commitment, there is no obstacle to big, no challenge to great.

As we install the officers, we must make sure that they are properly identified and equipped to fulfill their responsibilities. As your name is called, please come forward for the installation of your office.

SPEAKER 3: _____________ (insert name) please come forward. As President you will serve as the Sheriff of the _________ 4-H Club. Through your leadership, the club will prosper. Keep an open mind and an open ear to make sure that all voices and opinions are heard. You will give guidance and direction to the club and its programs. You will preside over meetings, appoint committees, and represent the club on the County 4-H Council. I give you this Sheriff’s badge so that you may be recognized as the leader of this Council. Do you accept the responsibilities of the office of President?

SPEAKER 4: ___________________ (insert name) please come forward. As 1st Vice President you will assist the president and assume all of the duties in his/her absence. Your other duties include providing programs at each club meeting. Your Deputy Badge will identify you as the officer in charge of effective programs and in helping the president lead our club through the rugged terrain we must conquer. Do you accept the responsibilities of the office of 1st Vice President?
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SPEAKER 5: ______________________ (insert name) please come forward. As 2nd Vice President your responsibilities are great. You will assist the President and 1st Vice President, and assume their duties in their absence. You will also coordinate the recreation and social activities of the club. Your Deputy badge will identify you as the officer who will keep the entire posse energized through recreation. Do you accept the responsibilities of the office of 2nd Vice President?

SPEAKER 6: ______________________ (insert name) please come forward. As 3rd Vice President, you to have a vital role on the executive committee. You will assist the President and other Vice-Presidents with their duties. You will serve as membership chair and provide leadership for promotion of the club events. Your Deputy Badge will serve you well in accomplishing this charge as you support and encourage your fellow officers. Do you accept the responsibilities of the office of 3rd Vice President?

SPEAKER 7: ______________________ (insert name) please come forward. As Secretary, your duties and responsibilities are paramount to the success of the Club Posse. You must keep an accurate account of all of the club proceedings. The minutes and roll sheets you keep will serve as a recent history of the club’s work. Your charge also includes handling all correspondence for the club. Your Deputy Badge is a symbol of your organizational skills and your membership of this team. Do you accept the responsibilities of the office of Secretary?

SPEAKER 8: ______________________ (insert name) please come forward. As Reporter, your role is gathering vital information about club activities and reporting this information to local media. You are also charged with the responsibility of ensuring that the 4-H club’s programs are known for its work in youth development and providing reports to the County Extension Office. Your Deputy Badge will identify you as the liaison with the media and our posse to tell the 4-H story! Do you accept the responsibilities of the office of Reporter?

SPEAKER 9: _______________ (insert name) please come forward. As Treasurer, your duties will include the keeping an accurate account of all money received and or paid out. You will coordinate the payment of all bills promptly and retain receipts. As Treasurer you must give accurate financial reports at each meeting and serve on the Budget and/or Finance Committee. Will you accept the duties of the office of Treasurer?

SPEAKER 10: ______________________ (insert name) please come forward. As Health & Safety Officer, you will provide information and activities that encourage members to be healthy and promote safety. You will work with the 1st Vice President in charge of programs and integrate some programming on health and safety into the club program during the year. Will you accept the responsibilities of Health & Safety Officer?

SPEAKER 11: ______________________ (insert name) please come forward. As Parliamentarian, your responsibilities include assisting the posse with proper parliamentary training and advising the President in points of order. Your actions will facilitate productive meetings and activities. Your Deputy Badge will identify you as the one who will keep the council “in line” and bring focus to group activities. Will you accept the responsibilities of Parliamentarian?
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SPEAKER 12: ____________________________(insert name) please come forward. As County Council Delegate, you will serve on the County 4-H Council. You represent the diversity of our club. Your Deputy Badge identifies you as a representative of a multi-faceted posse. For every difference that makes us unique, there are common bonds that tie us all together. Will you accept the responsibilities of County Council Delegate?

SPEAKER 13: As the ________ 4-H Club Officers step out into their new adventure, may they succeed in their quest to “Make the Best Better” and keep the peace as they fulfill their duty as Sheriff and Deputies. I declare these officers dually installed, with all privileges and responsibilities their offices entail. Best of luck to each of you as you set out on this exciting adventure.