Installation Ceremonies of 4-H Club Officers

Example 4

Setting
Installation theme is an airline flight. Each officer "becomes" one of the plane's officers. The new officers come to the front. The installer presents each one with a pair of flight wings (bought at a local variety store.)

Installer: "Passengers are now boarding Flight 2-0-[present year]," (read 'two, zero, [present year]). "On the 4-H Special—at Gate 2-0- [previous year].

"Welcome to Flight 2-0-[ ]. Our destination is the future, by way of the present. How far we go depends on each of us. Flying conditions are good, but turbulence is to be expected. With patience we will learn to overcome all obstacles. We shall fly higher than any year in the past _____ years (age of club). Our estimated time of arrival will be July 20[ ], when our accomplishments will be exhibited for the public to see at the county fair.

"Your pilot for this trip will be _____, **president**. We will look to him/her for leadership as he/she steers our course. "

"The co-pilot is _____, **vice-president**. It is his/her duty to take over for the pilot when necessary."

"_____, as s**ecretary**, will be our flight attendant. He/She is charged with keeping the minutes of each meeting, handling all correspondence as well as handling the secretary's record book. We depend on him/her for a comfortable flight."

"_____, is our crew chief. As **treasurer**, he/she must keep his/her feet on the ground, and be sure the plane is ready for flight. He/She will keep track of all finances."

"_____, is chief engineer. As our engineer, he's/she's in charge of engines and electrical systems for the smooth operation of our plane. As our **recreation leader**, he/she will plan each meeting's entertainment for smooth running."

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"_____, is our communications officer and will handle all publicity for the airline and will maintain contact as **news reporter** between crew and control tower—our club, Extension Office, and newspaper."

"Your chief navigator will be the **leader**, _____, who will try to plot a good course for all of you. He/She will be assisted by all the other leaders, _____ and _____. They will help you complete your flight plans correctly."

"Will the officers please repeat after me: I pledge myself to be efficient without being overbearing; to be firm yet gentle; fair, yet kind; and just, yet charitable!"

"To the passengers here assembled, let me present the officers chosen to direct the destiny of our club for this coming year. If you will fasten your seat belts, we are now ready for take-off."