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# The Rose Petal

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## Come Celebrate in Chicago!

**Join members from all over the nation as we travel to the windy city of Chicago for the 2010 National Leadership Conference! This year we are celebrating 65 years of leadership in the city where our organization began! An extraordinary conference has been planned, and our national officer Jessica Hagood will be center stage! Join the Florida**

**state officers at this spectacular Fourth of July event as we watch the fireworks over Lake Michigan! Together, we**

**an awesome opportunity for you to attend officer trainings, participate in STAR Events, and listen to amazing keynote**

**speakers. Don't forget the state photo, and remember to show your FCCLA spirit by wearing red or white.**



**will commemorate our nation's birthday and enjoy the company of fellow FCCLA members. This conference will be**

**-Kendra Bennett  
State President**

## FINDING TIME FOR LEADERSHIP!

**When looking at all the state officers my freshman year, I was amazed by the commitment they had to FCCLA and their determination to make a difference. I decided right then that I wanted that to be me! Once I made up my mind it was time to step up and run for office, I decided I would go big and run for the ultimate leadership role of President. I knew it would**

**be extremely demanding but in the end would be a great tool to help me with leadership in my life. Being President-Elect of FCCLA will help me make a difference, not only in my school and community, but in the whole state of Florida! FCCLA helps give me the tools I need for the rest of my life and now I can use those tools to give back to FCCLA.**

**Thank you for choosing me as your 2010-2011 State President-Elect. I would like to challenge each of you to look in the mirror and see if next years President Elect or State Officer just might be looking back at you!**

**-Jessica Scanlon  
State President-Elect**

# State Leadership Conference Recap 2010!

As we take the hike down the mountain of another amazing year in Florida FCCLA, it seems only right to end with an incredible campfire story. A tale of 12 awesome hard working state officers who put together the best state conference around! But the conference was made complete by some very special guests. First was Mr. Ryan Underwood, the keynote speaker extraordinaire. He told tales of leadership and working hard to achieve awesome goals. Campers were swept off their feet by his awesome approach to such things as public speaking and promoting FCCLA. Next, were the bylaw amendments, three to be exact. Removing the names, along with the duties of the state officers, from the bylaws and into the policies and procedures handbook. As well as changing the name of Vice President of Projects to Vice President of Community Service. Last but not least was the amazing number of campers that attended and competed.

## State Project Final Report

As your V.P. of Projects, last year, we created and implemented the project "Kuddles for Kids." I want to thank all the schools who participated in gathering and donating your Kuddles to children in need.

These schools were:

- Ponce de Leon High- 174 Kuddles
- Madison County High- 242 Kuddles
- Middleburg High- 378 Kuddles
- Santaluces High- 425 Kuddles
- Marianna High- 75 Kuddles
- Malone High- 420 Kuddles
- St. Cloud High- 468 Kuddles
- Lakewood Ranch High- 177 Kuddles
- Lake Gibson Middle- 86 Kuddles

That's 2,477 Kuddles collected and donated!

The State Executive Council wants to thank each and everyone of you for all your hard work and dedication to Florida FCCLA. To leave readers on the edge of their seats, the 2010 State Leadership Conference climaxed with the banquet and dance party! This year CAMP FCCLA took us to new heights as we soared above the campground at State Leadership Conference 2010. "Above the Campground" you ask. Why yes, we went up, up and away into the story

Last year was great, but I'm back again this year with a slight name change as your 2010-2011 Vice-President of Community Service, and it's my personal goal to make this year's State Project the biggest and best we've ever seen. Our project for this year will be entitled "A Truth Campaign," and entails spreading the awareness and the seriousness of the different kinds of abuse impacting each of our communities. I am absolutely ESTATIC to be able to present the project at Nationals in Chicago! Make sure you're in the State Meeting so you can be the first to get clued in on this ultimate leadership experience as we team up to advocate against abuse. I can't wait to see ya'll there!!

**-Madalyn Dayge**  
State V.P. of  
Community Service

adventure of a lifetime or as we opened the first chapter we like to say the story of our lives. Florida FCCLA's new theme. Not only did we turn the page to our new theme, we elected a whole new cast of characters! A special congratulations to the 2010-2011 State Executive Council.

**-Kendra Bennett**  
State President

# 2010-11 SEC: What are They Up to?

Well as the year takes a QUICK start, our Florida State Executive Council is already Writing it's Big Adventure!

Do you want to hold State Rotative Office, do you want to run for President-Elect? It certainly will be hard work, but if you are as HYPED up on FCCLA as we are, then...

## Be Part of It!



At the castle-like Don Cesar Resort, your state officers have recently grown into a new family! We all bonded together, as we prepared for our SPEEDY year ahead! You just get ready for the excitement, cause each of us are adding our own spunk to the Florida Association of FCCLA!

We are all just like YOU! We party, we work, and we are teenagers! Yet we all decided to take our involvement to a whole new level!

**SO get ready to run for office because YOUR term is within reach!!**



## 2010-2011 SEC



**-Gus Griffith**  
State Historian

*"What's your chapter doing? What have you done within your community? What has FCCLA helped you learn?"*

# Members in Action!

I am Chelsea Dotson, your State VP of Chapter Achievement, which means I want to hear from YOU! Tell me about the great things your chapters and districts have been up to! This is the time for you to shine and be recognized publicly for your selfless hard work.

Many of you probably competed in our Star or Competitive Events at State! Well I want to hear about your accomplishments! And, I want to hear your stories!! What's your chapter doing? What have you done within the community? What has FCCLA helped you learn? Do you participate in national programs, well write in and tell me about it! As VP of Chapter Achievement, I would like nothing more than to recognize each Chapter in Florida for their service with FCCLA! So I need you to take some initiative!

Write to me about your chapter, so you can be featured in our Rose Petal. No story is too little and everything you FCCLA members do to help, sets off our extraordinary organization into something more unique. You are all Winners and have participated in something great just by being in this club, so let the stories be told. Please write in and share, to make this year even more memorable than last! All participation in FCCLA needs to be recognized, so tell me it all! Congratulations to each and every one of you for your hard work at our 2010 State Conference! I can't wait to see all the chapters making the trip to Chicago for our National Conference.

**-Chelsea Dotson**  
State V.P. Of Chapter Achievement

How Can  
**YOU**  
get  
Involved?

**EMAIL ME YOUR STORIES AT:**  
floridarosepetal@yahoo.com

## Program of Work July-September 2010

**JULY 4-8**

**NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**

*Is everyone ready for Nationals? This year it is in the Windy City of Chicago to celebrate FCCLA's 65<sup>th</sup> Birthday, where FCCLA was founded back in 1945.*

**JULY 25**

**PARENTS DAY**

*This is a day to put families first and Thank your parents for everything they have done for you!*

**AUGUST 1**

**FRIENDSHIP DAY**

*When your family is not around, friends are the one by your side. Hug a*

*friend today, to thank them for their support*

**SEPTEMBER 3**

**MEMBERSHIP DAY**

*Help your peers "Be Part of It" with FCCLA! Show them "The Ultimate Leadership Experience!"*

**-Micaela Figueroa**

**State V.P. of Program of Work**

## Updates from the NEC

This past year with the NEC has truly been amazing! It has also been time for a great deal of change on the National Level. The National Executive Council has been working hard, in order to assure that the members of FCCLA can reach toward new horizons, and grasp for what IS the Ultimate Leadership Experience! First, we would like to recognize Cortney Harris of Altha High School FCCLA for winning the National Otis Spunkmeyer recipe contest! She calls her tasty creation, Cortney's Heavenly Cheesecake. Congratulations to Cortney, for her amazing accomplishment! So Florida, are you ready for STAR Events next year? Well before you get started; get ready for four new STAR Events coming your way! That's right, we have reason to be excited for new competition as we push students to achieve their maximum leadership potential. The new events will be focused around Advocacy, Hospitality, Leadership, and Nutrition. So

prepare yourselves to speak up, step out, and compete in STAR Events 2010-2011.

Among change, there is quite a bit of it going on with the Bylaws this year. There are many important amendments going on this year, and it is important that everyone in Florida be aware of their impact on our State. The first part of the Amendment was proposed because there was a difference in the process between At-Large and Regional candidates. First, the At-Large candidates went through a nominating committee and then in front of the voting delegates, whereas the Regional candidates went through a round robin with the voting delegates, and were then put in front of the voting delegates again. If passed, this amendment will eliminate the need for At-Large and Regional distinctions. Regional representation will still be maintained on the NEC, but the most important part of this proposal is that all candidates will get equal representation in front of the voting delegates.

The second part of this amendment will make sure that each State has equal representation when voting on National Officer Candidates in order to strengthen FCCLA as a whole. Instead of casting votes according to the size of a State, each state will only have one vote if this bylaw is passed. Being from Florida, it is extremely important that our delegation realizes how much of an impact this could have on our State. So talk among your fellow members from other State delegations, and try to get these amendments passed. So there you have it! Your NEC is excited to be seeing YOU at National Leadership Conference 2010!

**-Jessica Hagood**  
 FCCLA National  
 Vice President of  
 Community Service  
 2009-2010  
 National Executive Council

*"The National Executive Council has been working hard, in order to assure that the members of FCCLA can reach toward new horizons"*

## \$WEET \$ALE\$



### FUNDRAISERS!

A very good fundraising idea is to sell lollipops at school. I have already seen how well this

fundraiser works from personal experience. It is a great idea because students love to buy any type of food...

### ESPECIALLY CANDY!

-Jessica Roberts  
 State V.P. of  
 Finance



# **Ask Brason! "The Middle Man!"**

**Q: What should I do if I am a member of FCCLA in middle school, but when I attend high school, my school doesn't have an FCCLA chapter?**

**A:** If you do in fact attend to a high school without a chapter, what you should do, is talk with a Family & Consumer Sciences teacher about getting a chapter started.

**Q: Hi Brason! I ACTUALLY was wondering, how do I get an FCCLA chapter started?**

**A:** After talking with a Family Consumer Science teacher, who agrees to start a chapter, you have to first get 10 affiliated members! Then you need to get your advisor to fill out the membership affiliation form, and have them collect the \$16.00 from each of your members. And then send that money to the national association.

**Q: Why should I join FCCLA?**

**A:** FCCLA is one of the most rewarding experiences you will ever participate in. It will help you gain

all of these skills that will make you 100 times better once you enter the professional field. It can take someone with no leadership potential at all and turn them into some of the most dynamic leaders that you will ever meet.

**Q: How do I become a more active FCCLA member?**

**A:** There are plenty of ways to be active in FCCLA. There are competing in competitive events, running for chapter, district and state office, supporting the state project, and these are just the start! The more active of a member you are the more friendships you will build, and the more experience you will get. And it will just make your FCCLA experience that much better.

**-Brason English**

**State V.P. of  
Junior Relations**

# FIXING FINANCE

LEARN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NEEDS AND WANTS!

A need is something that is basic to being alive.

Ex. water, food, shelter, work, money, etc. Where as a want is something that you may wish to have but not having it will

never threaten your existence!



- RADIO
- TELEVISION
- FANCY CLOTHES
- JEWELRY
- ACCESSORIES
- CAMERAS
- CELL PHONES

- EXPENSIVE CARS
- 2ND HOMES
- EVEN LOLLIPOPS

Try to buy things that you literally can't live without and limit yourself buying items that are not necessities for living.

-Jessica Roberts

## All About Alumni

### HEY FLORIDA FCCLA!

I'm Maggie Matella, your 2010-2011 Vice President of Careers and Alumni, and I am here to tell you about the different Family and Consumer Sciences Careers you can do after graduation. Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS) use to be known as *home economics*. When most people think of "Home Ec." they think of baking cookies and sewing quilts...well boy, do they have it wrong! With a major in Family and Consumer Sciences you can learn about nutrition, fashion and interior design, hospitality, food science, personal finance and so

much more. Career choices with this degree include financial advisor, health educator, chef, educational advisor, teacher, dietitian, and even fashion designer! Benefits of having a degree in Family and Consumer Sciences are an expanded knowledge of family basics like parenting and human development. Also you can learn the science behind food and effects it has on the body or how to design an apartment or home in order to get the most space out of it. You can even learn how to handle your money and maintain a budget. In 2009 CNN.com named Family and Consumer Sciences "a major you can get a job in."

For more information on Family and Consumer Sciences careers check out [collegeboard.com](http://collegeboard.com) or [jobs.lovetoknow.com](http://jobs.lovetoknow.com)

Additionally, feel free to email me with any questions you have regarding Careers and Alumni at: [matella10@bellsouth.net](mailto:matella10@bellsouth.net).

**-Maggie Matella**  
State V.P. of  
Careers and Alumni



*"When most people think of 'Home Ec.' they think of baking cookies and sewing quilts well boy, do they have it wrong!"*

# FEEL THE MUSIC, FEEL THE RHYME COME ALONG AND ...



*We're  
from Florida,  
man oh man,  
Future Leaders  
of America of  
FLORIDA!*

## Synergize!

The definition of motivation is to give reason, incentive, enthusiasm, or interest that causes a specific action or certain behavior. Motivation is present in every life function.

Applying motivation into your chapter enables your chapter to become

more active in FCCRA together. The key to motivate your chapter is to make it fun! A great way to do this is to do energizers or maybe even relaxers. This will help keep things lively!

Just make sure to stay positive with your chapter, and most of all, have a positive outlook

and attitude! One great poet lived by, "Enthusiasm is excitement with inspiration, motivation, and a pinch of creativity." Apply these words to your chapter and it will soar to new heights!

**-Brigitte Blanton**  
State V.P. of  
Recreation



# FCCLA Brain Buster!

**Angel Warren  
of  
Progress Village Middle Magnet School  
of the Arts  
FCCLA**

**Congrats! YOU Answered last issue's question  
CORRECTLY!**

If you know the answer to my  
FCCLA Brain Buster, contact me, Gus  
Griffith, your 2010-2011 State Historian!  
By Email at: [floridarosepetal@yahoo.com](mailto:floridarosepetal@yahoo.com)

## **This Issue's Question**

**Which National  
FCCLA Program  
focuses on  
enhancing your  
job skills through  
work experience?**

**Hurry Up!  
There can only be  
2 featured winners!**

**LAST ISSUE'S QUESTION:  
WHAT ARE THE STATE THEME  
AND TARGETS FOR THE  
2010-2011 YEAR?**

**ANSWERS:**

**–THEME–**

**THE STORY OF YOUR LIFE**

**–TARGETS–**

**I. OPEN THE BOOK ON A CHILD'S  
DREAM**

**II. SECURE THE CASTLE WITH  
FAMILY VALUES**

**III. WRITE YOUR BIG ADVENTURE**

**IV. MARK A PAGE IN YOUR  
COMMUNITY**

**GET READY TO OBSERVE YOUR NEW STATE THEME!  
—THE STORY OF YOUR LIFE—  
AS YOUR STATE PRESIDENT  
WRITES HER BIG FCCLA ADVENTURE!**

**ARE YOU MISSING OUT ON THE ACTION AT NATIONALS THIS YEAR?  
WE'LL DON'T WORRY! BECAUSE YOUR STATE PRESIDENT-ELECT  
SHALL GIVE YOU THE FULL DETAILS ON EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED!**

*Attention all  
Historians & Photographers.  
If you want your Fall  
pictures featured on the  
2010 Fall Issue's Historian  
Page of the Rose Petal...*

*Upload Your Photos at  
[CVSphoto.com](http://CVSphoto.com)*

**FCCLA**

**GUESS WHAT EVERYBODY! WE HAVE A NEW  
VICE PRESIDENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS HEADED OUR WAY!  
STAY TUNED FOR HER FALL ISSUE OF THE ROSE PETAL!**

**Do you want  
your chapter  
to be featured  
in our  
State Scrapbook?**

**Well, if so,  
email all your  
group shots  
to your  
State  
Historian**

**At:  
gus.griffith  
@gmail.com**

**DO YOU WANT TO HEAR  
THE TRUTH??**

**Stay tuned for the  
Fall Issue!  
Where ya'll will get the  
full details on our  
State Project...**

**A TRUTH CAMPAIGN!**



**FCCLA ORDER!**

**Attention all Parliamentarians! And gavel abusers!!  
Next issue, learn how to incorporate the Robert's Rules  
of Order into all of your FCCLA meetings with your  
Own V.P of Parliamentary Law, Mr. John Burger!**



**COMING THIS SEPTEMBER!  
THE 2010 FALL ISSUE OF THE ROSE PETAL  
WILL FINALLY BE RELEASED!**

**GET READY TO MEET YOUR NEW STATE OFFICERS ON A  
WHOLE NEW LEVEL! WE ALL SHALL TELL OUR STORIES!  
AND SHINE A NEW LIGHT ON FLORIDA, AS  
WE WORK TO PROMOTE OUR FLORIDA  
ASSOCIATION TO THE TOP OF THE FCCLA  
NATION!**

**I BET YOU DIDN'T KNOW THAT ONLY 10  
OF YOUR 13 STATE OFFICERS WERE INCLUDED  
IN THIS ISSUE WELL YOU GET READY  
BECAUSE YOUR SECRETARY AND VP  
OF PARLIAMENTARY LAW ARE  
AWAITING THEIR DEBUT ALONG  
WITH A NEW DISTRICT 10 OFFICER!**

**YOU WILL GET TO HEAR THE  
STORY OF OUR LIVES, AS YOUR  
FLORIDA STATE OFFICERS ARE  
WAITING JUST TO TALK TO YOU  
ABOUT THEIR BIG ADVENTURE IN THE  
WINDY CITY!**

**DID YOU GAIN SOMETHING FROM  
READING THIS SUMMER ISSUE? IF SO, SPREAD  
THE EXISTENCE OF THE ROSE PETAL TO  
YOUR DISTRICT, CHAPTER, EVEN YOUR  
STUDENT BODY! YOU NEVER KNOW, YOU  
MAY HAVE GROUPS OF FCCLA FANATICS  
LINING UP TO GET AFFILIATED IN YOUR CHAPTER!**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS TO ASK OR STORIES TO TELL  
EMAIL US AT: [floridarosepetal@yahoo.com](mailto:floridarosepetal@yahoo.com)**

**THE ROSE PETAL 2010-2011**



**During your 2009-2010 term as  
Vice President of Public Relations,**

**YOUR ROSE PETAL**

**served as INSPIRATION to**

**the Florida Association of FCCLA!**

**Your dedication and commitment to this  
publication has and will continue to be  
reflected upon in future issues of**

**The Rose Petal**

**Thank you Chelsea Scourtes!**



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THE  
 ULTIMATE  
 LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Hey everybody, I hope ya'll enjoyed the 2010 Summer Edition the Rose Petal!  
 Remember to Write Your Big Adventure!  
 And tell us The Story of Your Life!  
 After all, the Rose Petal is a student ran publication; YOUR PUBLICATION!  
 If you have any ideas, concerns, questions, or anything that you want to ask or tell us for the Fall Issue of the Rose Petal or future issues, just make sure to leave your name, school chapter, district, and make sure to mention which state officer your questions are for.

**All by email at:**  
**floridarosepetal@yahoo.com**

-Gus Griffith  
 State Historian

**HAPPY  
 BIRTHDAY  
 FCCLA!**

**Florida would just like to say THANK YOU to all of our Advisers, Officers, Chapter Members, Alumni, Associates, and Founders for 65 years of the Ultimate Leadership Experience!**

**Thank you for providing**



**Toward New Horizons!**