

Los Angeles 4-H Senior Awards of Excellence 2021

Sr. Award of excellence for project work

This member, who is only 14, has been in 4H for 7 years. An excellent job was done in all the member's 6 projects, market beef, market goat, Dairy goat, Astronomy, Teen leader in Astronomy, and Leadership. This member showed at fairs, gave talks, made videos, taught others and received a gold medal at County Field Day on an illustrated talk. This member is secretary of his club, and actively participates in their activities. To top it all off, when he made money on his animals at the fair, he donated \$100 of it to Kids Feeding Kids. Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence winner for project work, from Leona Valley Racketeers, Nathan Kerr.

Sr. Award of Excellence for healthy Living

The winner for healthy living is very involved in healthy living. When her small club did not have a Food Preservation project, she did the project herself, putting up 256 jars of jam, salsa and pickles plus drying various foods. She also participated actively in the foods and Nutrition project. Healthy exercise is part of this member's everyday life as she has been in gymnastics for 10 years, and knows the importance of good nutrition, exercise, and sleep to compete at her best. She is now also participating in cross country and track and field. In the past she made 318 jars of jam and sold them to make money for her gymnastic expenses. She experimented with making tasty jams with different and unusual kinds of fruit. In her club she has been Club Hostess, Supply Officer and Club Co-Birthday/Sunshine officer, Vice President and this is her third year as Club President. Bringing happiness to others is part of healthy living. For several years she has enjoyed singing in choirs. Why is happiness and health so important to this member? When she was born, she was a 25 week micro-preemie weighing 1 lb 14 oz., and in the hospital 3 ½ months. Her nurse was a 4-H leader who introduced her to 4H, giving her a love of all things 4H. Her goal is to be a nurse, working with pre-mature babies. Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence winner for Healthy Living, from Pomona Valley 4-H Club, Kaitlyh Hanlon-Scardina.

SR Award of Excellence for SET (Science, Engineering, and Technology)

This member wanted an Aerospace and Rocketry project this year, but the leader had stepped aside. So the member decided to lead the project as Teen leader. The member planned all the meetings, taught about gliders, maps and arranged field trips. The Southern CA Soaring Academy visits schools throughout the year and through them this member earned a glider solo endorsement, allowing him to fly by himself without an instructor. This is some of the knowledge he was able to teach at aerospace project meetings. This was a great project to be in. He got members rides in a Cessna airplane, and took project members to the airport where he interns. They put together a glider. He taught how to use the controls on a simulator. This member volunteers at Wounded Warriors Veteran flying events at Crystal Airport. He helped as part of the Ground crew at Middle School STEM flying day that his congress man attended. Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence winner for SET (Science, Engineering and Technology) from Canyon Coyotes, Carter Boeker.

Sr. Award of Excellence for Community Service

Community service means doing something significant for the community in which you live. This member helped bring cheer and sustenance to the community. As corresponding secretary she wrote over 200 cards and had club members participate in correspondence. All members who wanted to participate received blank cards and made handmade cards. When they dropped them off at the post office they let her know. She also got her club to help participate in the Kids Feeding Kids program at the Saves Food Bank. Animals are raised, members are paid, and the meat goes to feed needy families. With 4-H, Grange, FFA, and independent livestock over 4,400 pounds of pork went to the program. When members work with and for their communities wonderful things happen. Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence for Community Service winner, from Canyon Coyotes, Makenna Long .

Sr. Award of Excellence for Leadership

The Sr. Award of Excellence winner for Leadership has been in the Leadership project for 6 years being club president and teen leader for Clothing and Textiles. First year in the project the member volunteered to make judging boards for primary members and helped plan the club's judging day. Third year, baked cupcakes for leadership Appreciation Dinner. Fourth year organized record books for signing. These activities are the extras besides leading projects and club events. This year organized a new member drive through, helping set up posters and tables. Then this member put together a leadership video for the club's Leadership Appreciation get-together. This member was honored with the Chris Carrol Award which is given to members who show dedication, leadership and a willingness to learn, share and serve others without the thought of reward. That is the definition of an excellent leader. Congratulations to our Sr. Award of excellence winner in Leadership, from Canyon Coyotes, Rebekah Kasperson.

Sr. Award of Excellence in Achievement

The Achievement award is awarded for excellence in all areas, projects, leadership, community service, and participation at all levels. It is not only this year, but past years also. It usually goes to a 17 or 18 year old member. This year we do not have a winner in this category. We hope to next year.